

AACPDM Student Travel Scholarship Information

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The Awards Committee seeks full-time student members of the AACPDM to apply for the Student Travel Scholarship.

Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants must be current members or applicants of the AACPDM. Applicants
 must be a member, or apply for membership, before being able to access the
 scholarship application.
- Applicant must not be a current AACPDM Awards Committee member.
- Applicants must have submitted an abstract to the Annual Meeting but are not required to be lead author of the abstract.
- Individuals who have received a Student Travel Scholarship 3 times are disqualified from applying. *

*Excluding the 2020 and 2021 virtual meetings.

If eligible, applicants may also apply for the OrthoPediatrics Travel Scholarship and/or the International Travel Scholarship but can only be awarded <u>one</u> scholarship.

Scholarship Content

- Complimentary registration for the Annual Meeting.
- Valuable networking opportunities.
- The opportunity to learn from multi-disciplinary experts in the field of childhood-onset disabilities.
- Expense reimbursement for travel, lodging, and meals. Reimbursement for this scholarship has historically not exceeded \$1,000.

Application Submission Process

Before completing the application, please read the instructions carefully. Do not skip any questions. Inquiries about this application may be addressed to the Academy office at info@aacpdm.org. AACPDM must receive the completed application on or before April 1, 2025.

As part of the online application process, applicants are required to provide the following:



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- A current CV no more than two pages.
- A brief statement (1-2 paragraphs) outlining why they wish to have an AACPDM scholarship.
- A letter of support from your Program Chief, Clinical Head, Program Director,
 Faculty Advisor or authorized official. Please note that this should <u>not</u> be the
 student verification letter required as part of the Student Member application
 process. The letter should follow the guidelines outlined below:
 - o Must be written on institution letterhead.
 - No more than 250 words.
 - Must include the letter writer's name, position, email address,
 relationship with the candidate, and how long they've known them.
 - Must state why the candidate is deserving of a scholarship and how it would benefit their training and prospective career

Please have any necessary documents ready to upload before you begin your application.

Selection Criteria

Grading will be based upon overall merit of application and the applicant's author position (1st author preferred). Preference will be given to scholarship applicants whose abstracts have been accepted.

Applications received **on or before April 1, 2025**, will be checked for completeness and to confirm eligibility. All completed applications from eligible applicants will be forwarded to the Awards Committee for review. Applications will be reviewed, discussed and scored by all Awards Committee members. Letters notifying applicants of the Committee's final decision will be sent from the Academy office* by the end of May 2025.

*International applicants only: Please be aware that Visa appointment and processing times may vary by country. AACPDM highly encourages scholarship applicants who do not have a current Visa to schedule their appointment at the time of submission to help ensure their Visa is secured in time to attend the Annual Meeting. AACPDM cannot help expedite appointments and scholarship funds do not transfer to future years if a Visa is not received in time.