2021 WSS Student Travel Award Application

The Washington Statistical Society (WSS) is offering a Student Travel Award for a local area student in a degree program in the areas of statistics, data science, survey methodology, or related survey research disciplines. Support is offered for a student to attend a minimum of one American Statistical Society meeting or conference between July 1, 2021 and June 30th, 2022. A full list of eligible events may be found on [ASA’s website](https://www.amstat.org).

Applications must contain a letter of support either by a current member of the WSS or a faculty advisor, a copy of their transcripts, an essay, and a completed application. Applicants are strongly encouraged to plan to present a paper or poster at one or more eligible events. Applications for the WSS student travel award are due no later than January 8, 2021.

An MS Word version of the application can be obtained at: [https://mcusercontent.com/eba68711208602047145a91a2/files/23bfd769-0508-454e-9d05-01a510a60d3f/Student_Travel_Award_Announcement_JSM_2021.docx](https://mcusercontent.com/eba68711208602047145a91a2/files/23bfd769-0508-454e-9d05-01a510a60d3f/Student_Travel_Award_Announcement_JSM_2021.docx)

One award will be granted to a student attending a school local to the DC, MD, or VA area. The award includes $800 plus early-bird student conference registration to one ASA meeting or conference, and a one-year student membership to the WSS.

The winner is required to attend meetings or conference sessions at the event of their choice. In addition, the winner is expected to attend the WSS Annual Dinner in the spring of 2021 to be recognized by the WSS. The winner is also expected to prepare an essay on his/her experience at the conference or meeting to be published in the WSS Fall Newsletter.

Applicant Name: _____________________________________ Full time student [ ] Part-time [ ]
Department: ________________________________________
University: _________________________________________
Mailing Address: ________________________________________________
Email: _________________________ Phone: _______________________
Degree: _________________________ Anticipated graduation date: _____________

Are you planning to present a paper or poster at a meeting or conference? YES NO

If YES, please describe (event(s), date(s)):

If yes, paper or poster title? ______________________________________

Are you currently or do you have plans to join the WSS mentoring program (or another ASA mentoring program)? If yes, please describe. YES NO
Have you previously attended any professional meeting on statistics, survey research, or a related discipline?   YES  NO

If YES, please describe (meeting(s), location(s), date(s)):

Signature of Applicant ________________________________ Date Submitted ________

As a current WSS member and/or faculty advisor, I endorse this student’s request:

Signature: ________________________________
Printed Name: ________________________________
Date: ________________________________

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APPLICATION CHECKLIST – PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING:

[  ] Copy of most recent transcript or advising report from your university.

[  ] Double-spaced essay, no more than two pages, describing your interest in statistics/survey research methods and your interest in attending an ASA meeting or conference.

[  ] Letter of support from a current WSS member or faculty advisor.

Application materials should be sent to Erin Tanenbaum (Tanenbaum-Erin@norc.org) by email with the subject “WSS Student Travel Award”. Application materials (including transcripts and letters of support) will not be accepted after the deadline or with an incorrect email subject.

Applications must be received by January 8, 2021.