MSEC 2022 / NAMRC 50 NSF Student Travel support

A National Science Foundation grant will provide support to selected full-time students from U.S. institutions to attend the co-located 2022 ASME International Manufacturing Science and Engineering Conference (MSEC2022) and NAMRI/SME 50th North American Manufacturing Research Conference (NAMRC50) to be hosted by the College of Engineering of Purdue University, and held in West Lafayette, Indiana, on June 27 - July 1, 2022.

Key dates:

- March 1, 2022 Application deadline
- March 20, 2022 Notification of award and invitation to conference participants
- April 22, 2022 Awardee registration deadline

All applications for the Student Travel Award should be made through the online portal. Applications submitted in any other way will not be considered for the award.

1. Fill out the online application form here: https://ucdavis.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3JoKwAMASjGZEUE

2. BEFORE beginning on your online application form you should have the following two items ready to upload:

   - **Student Statement:** In 150 words, or less, please identify and explain the broader impacts of your current or proposed research, particularly as it addresses some of the challenges that manufacturing faces. Do not simply cut-and-paste an abstract from your paper or poster! [Note: You will be required to paste this statement into the appropriate text box in the online application].

   - **Signature Form:** This form must be signed by the student and their advisor and uploaded along with the online application. The application will be considered incomplete without this form uploaded.
     The form can be accessed here: https://ucdavis.box.com/s/efzl02gfsj2khkmnyn4kps9ph4co5bnf

     Make sure the form is a PDF file size of not more than 1 MB size and has the required filename format: Travel2022_yourlastname_yourfirstname.pdf
     You will be instructed how to submit during the online application.

**IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

Do not register for the conference yourself if you are applying for this NSF Student Travel Award. Your registration fee and lodging accommodation will be covered by the travel award. In other words, this is not a process where you pay for registration and lodging and get reimbursed afterward. The costs will be managed directly, so that students never have to carry these charges. The mandatory author registration deadline is April 22, 2022. Hence, if you do not receive one of these awards you will still have time to register for the conference at the “early bird rate.”
Posters on NSF-sponsored research are highly encouraged and should be submitted according to the published schedule.

Conference key dates available are at: https://event.asme.org/MSEC (MSEC2022) and https://namrc.sme.org/ (NAMRC50)

Before applying, please note that to qualify for the award you must (no exceptions):

1. Be enrolled as a full-time student at a U.S. college or university,
2. Attend the entire conference (Monday to Friday), and
3. Attend the Early Career Forum organized by ASME/MED and NAMRI/SME.

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Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

1. We anticipate making more than 60 travel awards.
2. The Student Travel Award will cover registration and lodging for the entire conference. A student awardee (or their advisor, school, research project) must pay for travel and other expenses.
3. In the selection process, preference will be given to students from groups that are historically underrepresented in manufacturing.
4. In the selection process, preference will be given to students who have not previously received a Student Travel Award.
5. If you are planning to apply for a Student Travel Award, do not register for the conference until you are informed of an award decision. This notification will be made before the conference “Early Bird” registration deadline (April 22, 2022).
6. If you are planning to attend the conference, you may be able to reserve a hotel room early to secure a spot (check the hotel booking policies). If you learn that you have been accepted for a Student Travel Award, you may be able to cancel your hotel reservation without any cost (check the hotel booking policies). Most U.S. hotels do not charge you until your stay has begun, and most offer no-penalty cancellation up to 48 hours prior to the beginning of your stay (check the hotel booking policies). This award will cover specific lodging only reserved by the conference host, not any other self-booked hotel rooms.
7. You must be a full-time student at a U.S. university or college to be eligible for a Student Travel Award, i.e., you must be studying in the United States.
8. Postdoctoral fellows are NOT eligible to apply for the Student Travel Award.
9. In the selection process, preference will be given to students who are presenting their original research at the conference: i.e., making an oral presentation or poster presentation.
10. A student’s research advisor must endorse the application (see instructions for Signature Form for application).
11. The application deadline will not be extended.
12. No late applications will be considered.