

NAMRC 49 and MSEC 2021 Student Support

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A National Science Foundation grant will provide support to **select full-time students from U.S. institutions** to attend the co-located 49th NAMRI/SME North American Manufacturing Research Conference (NAMRC 49) and the 2021 ASME International Manufacturing Science and Engineering Conference (MSEC 2021). This year the conference will be hosted using a virtual conference platform from June 21–25, 2021 by the University of Cincinnati, Ohio, USA (see: <https://ceas.uc.edu/events/namrc-msec-2021.html>)

KEY DATES:

- **Application Deadline:** **March 8th, 2021**
- **Award Notification:** **March 22nd (1st Round); April 5th, 2021 (2nd Round)**
- **Author Registration Deadline:** **April 16th, 2021 (Early Bird)**

ONLINE APPLICATION:

- The 2021 online application portal has been set up at this link: https://utdallas.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6KaYbvk6kaEN9wV

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

- **BEFORE beginning on your online application form you should have the following two items ready to upload:**
 - 1. 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].*
 - 2. Signature Form:** This form must be printed out, signed by the student and their advisor, scanned into a PDF, and uploaded along with the online application. The application will be considered incomplete without this form uploaded. The form can be accessed here: https://engineering.utdallas.edu/files/Support2021_LastName_FirstName.pdf

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Do not register for the conference if you are applying for this NSF Student Support. Awards will directly cover the registration fee. In other words, this is not a process where you pay for registration and the travel award reimburses you. The costs will be managed directly, so that students never have to carry registration charges. The Early Bird author registration deadline is April 16th, 2021. 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:

Schedule of key dates available at:

MSEC 2021: <https://event.asme.org/MSEC>

NAMRC 49: <https://namrc.sme.org/attend/important-deadlines/>

Before applying, please note that to qualify for the grant 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:

We anticipate making more Student Support Awards than in prior years. So, apply today!

1. The Student Support Award will pay for a student registration for the entire conference.
2. In the selection process, preference will be given to students from groups that are historically underrepresented in manufacturing.
3. In the selection process, preference will be given to students who have not previously received a Student Support Award.
4. If you are planning to apply for a Student Support Award, then wait to 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 16, 2021).
5. You must be a full-time student at a U.S. university or college to be eligible for a Student Support Award. i.e., you must be studying in the United States.
6. Postdoctoral fellows are NOT eligible to apply for the Student Support Award.
7. 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.**
8. A student’s research advisor must endorse the application (see instructions for Signature Form on previous page).
9. The application deadline will not be extended. No exceptions.
10. No late applications will be considered. No exceptions.