ABOUT DR. JENNIFER LEIGH INGRAM

Dr. Ingram founded the Research Triangle Chapter of Graduate Women in Science (GWIS) and has served in the National GWIS Leadership since 2004 as National Fellowships Coordinator, National President, and on the National Board of Directors. She founded the Research Triangle Chapter in 2009 and is currently an Assistant Professor at Duke University School of Medicine. She obtained her Ph.D. in the year 2000 from North Carolina State University.

GWIS - RT is thankful to Dr. Ingram for her continued support of the chapter and this travel award.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please note that all women and female-identifying individuals in STEM programs at institutions within North Carolina are eligible to apply for this award.

Personal details

1. Email address
2. First Name
3. Last Name
4. Current Degree or Position
5. Discipline
6. Expected Completion Date for Current academic program
7. Institution (in the state of North Carolina)
8. Department
9. Name(s) of Advisor(s)
Details about the conference

10. Conference Name (this can be a tentative answer and you are allowed to select a different conference as long as it is within 1 year of receiving the award)
11. Conference Location
12. Conference Dates
13. Last Day for Conference Registration
14. Is this the first time you are presenting at that particular conference

Application materials

The application consists of 3 sections, all of which must be combined into ONE PDF DOCUMENT ONLY in the following order to upload while filling out the application form:

1. Abstract (500 words or less): An abstract for the research you want to present at the conference. Please ensure that this abstract can be understood by a scientist who is not in your field.

2. Volunteer Experience (MUST NOT exceed 500 words)
   2.1 Your experience participating in volunteering activities that may or may not be related to STEM.
   2.2 Have you participated in any activities to promote STEM education in traditionally underrepresented communities? Please describe.

3. Financial Need and Impact (MUST NOT exceed 500 words)
   3.1 How would winning this travel grant help you.
   3.2 What impact would be attending this conference have on your career?

General instruction

1. Please format the single PDF document into THREE SECTIONS:
   1. Abstract
   2. Volunteer Experience
   3. Financial Need and Impact

2. Make sure to answer all parts of all the sections for a complete application. Incomplete submissions will not be evaluated. The total application document SHOULD NOT EXCEED 1500 words and 10 MB in size. Please refrain from using pictures and graphics in your application.

3. Please indicate if you are a current dues-paying member of the Graduate Women in Science (GWIS). All factors being equal, preference will be given to active members of the Research Triangle Chapter of GWIS.

TO BECOME A MEMBER, PLEASE CLICK HERE.
TRAVEL AWARD APPLICATION FAQS

1. Why was Dr. Jennifer Leigh Ingram Travel Award started?
GWIS Research Triangle Chapter had a surplus of funds saved while we hosted the GWIS National Meeting four years ago. We invested these funds into an endowment account last year, and we hope that in this way we will sustain the Travel Award for years to come. Dr. Ingram jump-started funding our Travel Award with a generous donation. This Travel Award is meant to support women in various fields as they engage in research or educational opportunities, present their original research at scientific conferences, interact with their colleagues, and build their future as scientists and researchers.

2. What is the amount of the travel award?
A total of 750$ will be dispersed between two students (500/250). These funds can only be used for travel and/or registration fees for national and international scientific conferences. Subsistence expenses (lodging and food) are not eligible. These funds are to be used within a year of being awarded. The funds will be distributed to the awardee(s) as a reimbursement after the awardee(s) submit receipts for eligible expenses.

3. Who is eligible for this award?
Women+ individuals who are in graduate school, have a post-bac or post-doctoral fellowship in an educational institution in North Carolina, and are presenting their work at a national or international scientific conference are eligible to apply for this award.

4. What is the timeline of the award application?
- Announcement and request for applications: April 21, 2023 (Friday) 11:59 pm
- Application submission deadline: June 21, 2023 (Wednesday) at 11:59 pm
- Announcement of Award: July 21, 2023 (Friday) 11:59 pm

After the winners are announced, they have 1.5 years from the day the award is received to use the funds for traveling to a national or international conference of their choice.