

CSUPERB Announces 26 Travel Grant Awards to CSU Students and Faculty at 11 Campuses

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CSUPERB is pleased to announce the spring 2020 round of travel grant awards. Overall CSUPERB is making 26 awards totaling \$38,539 to CSU faculty and students at 11 CSU campuses.

Awards were made as part of the competitive faculty and student travel grant programs. CSUPERB reviewed 57 proposals from students and faculty at 15 different CSU campuses. Averaged across the two programs, awards were made to 46% of the proposals received. Individual awards are listed in alphabetical order below.

Student Travel Grant Awards

The opportunity to present research results, participate in workshops or collect research data is crucial to biotechnology students' professional development. The CSUPERB Student Travel Grant Program supports CSU student travel to biotechnology-related professional meetings and workshops or to collect biotechnology-related data at shared instrumentation facilities or research sites. CSUPERB reviewed 36 student applications from 14 campuses.

Seventeen Student Travel Grants were approved for funding:

- 1. Muhammad Abeer** (Chemistry & Biochemistry, California State University, Long Beach)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Alzheimer's Association International Conference (7/26/2020 to 7/30/2020) in Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- 2. Casey Becker** (Chemistry and Biochemistry, California State University, Chico)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the American Chemical Society (ACS) Fall 2020 National Meeting and Exposition (8/16/2020 to 8/20/2020) in San Francisco, CA.
- 3. Alexis Coles** (Biology, San Francisco State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the International Coral Reef Symposium (7/4/2020 to 7/11/2020) in Bremen, Germany.
- 4. Caitlin Doherty** (Biological Sciences, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the North America Ornithological Conference (8/10/2020 to 8/15/2020) in Puerto Rico.
- 5. Blake DuPriest** (Biological Sciences, San José State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the American Society for Cell Biology (12/5/2020 to 12/9/2020) in Philadelphia, PA.
- 6. Suzanne Holt** (Chemistry, California State University, Sacramento)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the National American Chemical Society (8/15/2020 to 8/20/2020) in San Francisco, CA.

- 7. Benjamin Jabson** (Food Science and Nutrition, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo)
Award: \$1300 for travel to present research at the Institute of Food Technologists Annual Meeting 2020 (7/12/2020 to 7/15/2020) in Chicago, Illinois.
- 8. Maxwell La Forest** (Biological Sciences, California State University, Long Beach)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Society for Neuroscience (10/24/2020 to 10/28/2020) in Washington, D.C.
- 9. Rowen Odango** (Chemistry and Biochemistry, California State University, Northridge)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Keystone Symposium on Genomic Stability and DNA Repair (9/20/2020 to 9/24/2020) in Breckenridge, CO.
- 10. Hannah Ponce** (Psychology, California State University, Dominguez Hills)
Award: \$1500 for travel to collect data at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine (8/5/2020 to 8/25/2020) in Baltimore, Maryland.
- 11. Caroline Rodriguez** (Marine Science, California State University, Monterey Bay)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the International Coral Reef Symposium (7/4/2020 to 7/11/2020) in Bremen, Germany.
- 12. Bailey Rowe** (Biological Sciences, California State University, Sacramento)
Award: \$1445 for travel to present research at the Society for the Advancement of Biology Education Research Annual Meeting 2020 (7/23/2020 to 7/26/2020) in Twin Cities, Minnesota.
- 13. Jessica Shin** (Chemistry & Biochemistry, California State University, Long Beach)
Award: \$1500 for travel to collect lipidomics mass spectrometric data in collaborator Dr. Greg Shearer's lab (7/1/2020 to 8/20/2020) at The Pennsylvania State University in University Park, PA.
- 14. Tuan Tran** (Biology, San Diego State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Metabolism, Aging, Pathogenesis, and Stress in *C. elegans* meeting (7/15/2020 to 7/19/2020) in Madison, Wisconsin, USA.
- 15. Harnoor Virk** (Biological Sciences, San José State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the American Society for Cell Biology (12/5/2020 to 12/9/2020) in Philadelphia, PA.
- 16. Chloe Welch** (Biological Sciences, California State University, Sacramento)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Annual Drosophila Research Conference (3/23/2021 to 3/27/2021) in San Diego, CA.
- 17. Raphael Angelo Zambrano** (Biology, California State University, Northridge)
Award: \$1449 for travel to present research at the 2020 SACNAS The National Diversity in STEM Conference (10/22/2020 to 10/24/2020) in Long Beach, California.

Faculty Travel Grant Awards

CSUPERB recognizes that opportunities to present research and project results are crucial to professional career development. The CSUPERB Faculty Travel Grant Program supports CSU faculty travel to biotechnology-related professional meetings and workshops or to collect biotechnology-related data at shared instrumentation facilities or research sites. CSUPERB reviewed 21 faculty applications from 10 campuses.

Nine Faculty Travel Grants were approved for funding:

- 1. Deepali Bhandari** (Chemistry and Biochemistry, California State University, Long Beach)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Annual Joint Meeting of American Society for Cell Biology and European Molecular Biology Organization (12/4/2020 to 12/9/2020) in Philadelphia, PA.
- 2. Troy Cline** (Biological Sciences, California State University, Chico)
Award: \$1500 for travel to collect data at the National Wildlife Health Center and northern shoveler breeding sites (4/19/2021 to 4/23/2021) in Madison, WI.
- 3. Daryl Eggers** (Chemistry, San José State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the 65th Annual Meeting of the Biophysical Society (2/19/2021 to 2/24/2021) in Boston, MA.
- 4. Katy Kao** (Chemical and Materials Engineering, San José State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Metabolic Engineering 13 (7/12/2020 to 7/16/2020) in Honolulu, Hawaii.
- 5. Alexander Klotz** (Physics & Astronomy, California State University, Long Beach)
Award: \$1345 for travel to present research at the Biophysical Society 65th Annual Meeting 2021 (2/20/2021 to 2/24/2021) in Boston, MA.
- 6. Monica So** (Chemistry & Biochemistry, California State University, Chico)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the 260th American Chemical Society National Meeting & Exposition (8/16/2020 to 8/20/2020) in San Francisco, CA.
- 7. Mauro Tambasco** (Physics, San Diego State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the 2020 Joint American Association of Physicists in Medicine/Canadian Organization of Medical Physicists Annual Scientific Meeting (7/12/2020 to 7/16/2020) in Vancouver, BC, CANADA.
- 8. Katarzyna Tarnowska** (Computer Science, San José State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA) 2020 Annual Symposium (11/13/2020 to 11/19/2020) in Chicago, IL.
- 9. Philip Vieira** (Psychology, California State University, Dominguez Hills)
Award: \$1500 for travel to collect data at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine (8/5/2020 to 8/25/2020) in Baltimore, Maryland.

For more information about these grant programs, see the CSUPERB website (<https://www2.calstate.edu/impact-of-the-csu/research/csuperb/Pages/grants-and-awards-programs.aspx>) or contact Bianca Mothè (Interim Executive Director, CSUPERB; bmothe@csusm.edu). The database of CSUPERB grant awards can be searched at: <http://csuperb.org/grants/database/>. Program impacts, including student outcomes and annual reports, can be found at the program dashboard: <https://csuperb.org/grants/csuperb-data-dashboard/>.