RANKIN/SKATRUD LECTURESHIP PRE/POST-DOCTORAL CONFERENCE EXPENSE STIPENDS

The Rankin/Skatrud Conference Expense Stipends are sponsored by the John Rankin Memorial Fund for grants to support conference-related expenses (travel, registration, etc.) for pre- and post-doctoral students having accepted abstracts for presentation at scholarly conferences.

These stipends are provided in memory of the valuable contributions to mentoring of research trainees provided by John Rankin, MD (1923-1981) and James B. Skatrud, MD (1947-2006). Dr. Rankin was chairman of the UW Department of Preventive Medicine (1968-1981) and Dr. Skatrud was chief of Respiratory Diseases (UW Department of Medicine) (1981-2004).

Eligible students are registered pre-doctoral and post-doctoral students or fellows whose primary mentor is a faculty member in the Department of Population Health Sciences or Pulmonary Disease Section of the Department of Medicine, UW-Madison.

The applications for such support should include:

- A cover letter from the primary faculty mentor indicating the conference the student or fellow is planning on attending and the type of presentation (oral, poster, invited, length, free communications or symposiums, etc.). In addition, it is very important to describe in detail the student's contribution to the research to be presented (maximum two single spaced pages).

- A copy of the abstract that the student has submitted or will submit for presentation at the conference.

- A brief résumé of the applicant.

Abstracts will be reviewed by the Rankin/Skatrud Lectureship Committee.

Abstracts that have been submitted but not yet been accepted for presentation may be submitted. In the event that the submitted abstract is not accepted for presentation at the conference, the stipend will then be awarded to the next-most-meritorious submission.

It is anticipated at present that 3-4 awards of up to $1,000 will be made each year. Notice of the awards will be made approximately two weeks after the submission deadlines.

A faculty member whose trainee is granted a Rankin/Skatrud Conference Stipend award may not have another student apply for such an award until one other award period has elapsed.

Rankin/Skatrud Lecture Committee:
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Applications should be sent to:
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