



Raymond N. Hiramoto Endowment

An endowment fund has been established to honor the memory of Dr. Ray Hiramoto, a noted immunologist and faculty member in the Department of Microbiology, University of Alabama at Birmingham until his death on June 14, 2002.

Hiramoto Travel Award Details

Interest income from this endowment will be used to support travel awards for Microbiology graduate students to attend meetings, workshops, and advanced courses offered by scientific societies and other organizations such as the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory. We anticipate awarding a minimum of eight stipends annually of up to \$1,000 each to help defray the cost of attending these events.

Eligibility

All Microbiology departmental graduate students in good standing are eligible to apply for a Hiramoto travel award.

Application Procedure

There are four application deadlines each year. The application can be filled out online. All application materials must be submitted in electronic format to Ashley Rouss (ashleyrouss@uab.edu) no later than midnight of the deadline date. The application packet will consist of: curriculum vitae, recommendation/approval from your mentor, a meeting abstract or a brief justification for attending the meeting/course (if attending a course, please submit a description of the course and how attending would benefit you), and the completed application form. We anticipate a minimum of four awards per funding cycle.

Award Criteria

Applications will be evaluated by the Microbiology graduate committee. Awards will be based on the student's research accomplishments or potential for research. Preference will be given to students with oral or poster presentations at meetings. Award recipients will be announced within three weeks of the deadline dates. Students not funded will be allowed to reapply for the next award cycle. Awardees are eligible to reapply after two years of receipt of an award.





Hiramoto Travel Award Application

Name: _____ Email: _____

Year of entry in to graduate school: _____ Mentors Name: _____

I am applying for a Hiramoto Award to attend the following Scientific Meeting, Workshop / Advanced Course:

Name: _____ Dates: _____

Location: _____ Estimated total cost of this travel: \$ _____

Please indicate if you plan to present an oral or poster presentation: _____

In addition to my application for the Hiramoto Travel Award I plan to apply for funding from the following sources:

Graduate Student Association

Training Grant

Mentor

Checklist:

- 1.) Complete this application form
- 2.) Email Approval letter from mentor to ashleyrouss@uab.edu
- 3.) CV
- 4.) Meeting abstract or course information as noted above (250 words maximum)