

## Graduate Student Travel Support

Over the last 7 years, the Department of Kinesiology has supported graduate student travel to conference when they were presenting a paper/poster as a first author. The graduate faculty remain committed to continuing this policy so that our graduate students may present their outstanding scholarship at scientific conferences.

To provide more flexibility in funding support and to permit better planning over a graduate student's tenure, the policy for travel support has been modified.

### POLICY:

Travel support will only be provided for graduate students:

- who are first author
- who are presenting a paper/poster at a scientific/scholarly conference
- who provide the Business Office with a copy of the paper's abstract and acceptance letter (or verification)

Eligibility for travel support:

- all Kinesiology graduate students currently enrolled and in good standing
- all graduate students who have a Kinesiology faculty member as their advisor and who are "counted" by the University as having a joint home in Kinesiology (i.e., NACS)
- approval of travel by the graduate advisor

For Masters Students, over the duration of their degree, a total allocation of \$500\*

For Doctoral Students, over the duration of their degree a total allocation of:

- \$2,500\*
- NOTE: If a doctoral student takes a Goldhaber award, the department's contribution will be subtracted from the student's allocation.

\*These sums are constrained to cover ONLY:

- Early bird registrations
- Cost of abstract submission
- Flights (booked sufficiently early to achieve good rates)
- Hotel costs
- Mileage if driving to out-of-state conference.
- No meals will be reimbursed by departmental travel funds.

\* These are 'declining' balances. That is, once these sums are gone, no further monies will be available from the department.

\* Funds can be used as needed. However all funds must be approved by the advisor and the department as "appropriate and reasonable."

\* We strongly encourage that students plan carefully to use their travel funds so that students can travel throughout their duration as a graduate student.

NOTE: For those students currently in the program, the travel funds available beginning August 2008 will be pro-rated based on a yearly rate of \$250 (for masters students) or \$500 (for doctoral students) plus \$500 for the Goldhaber for the remaining years of their departmental support. Departmental support is 2 years for masters and four years for doctoral students.