Navigating the Maze of GPSA Travel Grant

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What is the GPSA Travel Grant Committee

- Arm of GPSA that provides reimbursement for graduate and professional students to enhance their professional and developmental goals.
- Reimbursements cover registration and travel costs to conferences, workshops, internships, preceptorships, and career fairs.

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- Applicants are informed about decisions two weeks after the close of the application period.

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Non eligible expenses

- Membership fees
- Baggage fees
- Gas for private or rental cars
- Flight cancellation, flight change, etc.
- Flight insurance
- Tips
- Food and beverages
- Hotel parking
- Travel cost for companions
- Accommodation
- Paper copies of programs or other materials
- Fees to attend socials, and lunches at event
- Travel costs paid by airline miles or travel credits

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- ➢Wet Lab and Workshop (\$500)
- ➢ Professional and Career Development (\$500)
- >Internships and Preceptorship (\$500), and Intercampus travel (\$100)

What you need to apply for the GPSA Travel grant

- Advisor/Department chair approval
- Conference approval letter
- Travel and registration receipts
- Department certification form
- Spend authorization form

What to do after approval for GPSA Travel grant

- Submit unredacted copies of the following to your department's travel coordinator:
- ➢Original payment receipts
- ➤Travel grant application
- > Approval letter (email from GPSA travel grant)
- Expense authorization (signed by awardee)

Your travel coordinator has two weeks to submit the above documents to the Student Engagement Finance team (si.finance@wsu.edu) Rules to follow during and after applying for the GPSA travel grant

- Use the appropriate form.
- Do not submit applications outside the application period.
- Submit all necessary documents e.g., approved spend authorization.
- Do not request above what you spent.

To know more:

- Visit: <u>Travel and Registration Grants</u> | GPSA at WSU
- Email: <u>gpsa.grants@wsu.edu</u>



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