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International Behavioural and Neural Genetics Society

TRAVEL AWARD STIPENDS – Call for Applications, 25th Annual Genes, Brain and Behavior Meeting of IBANGS 3rd-6th June 2024. Western University, London Ontario, Canada

The International Behavioural and Neural Genetics Society (IBANGS) meets annually to discuss the multidisciplinary fields of neuro behavioral genetics.

We are pleased to offer stipends in partial support of travel to attend the 25th Genes, Brain and Behavior Meeting .

Travel Stipend Details: A limited number of stipends are available for graduate students, post-doctoral scholars, and junior faculty members. Individuals are eligible if they have held their current rank for 5 years or less. Individuals who progress from one rank to another are eligible for 5 years at each successive rank: 5 years as a graduate student, 5 years as a postdoc, and 5 years as first-appointment junior faculty.

Selection will be based on the abstract submitted with meeting registration; financial need will also be a consideration. It is required that travel awardees present either an oral presentation or a poster at the meeting.

From the Travel Awardees, four will be selected based on their proposed presentation at the meeting as the Outstanding Young Investigator Awardees. Two students, one postdoctoral scholar, and one junior faculty member will be invited to present their work in a special oral presentation session at the meeting.

Application Details: If you are not a member of IBANGS, consider becoming a member and taking advantage of reduced registration fees for the 2024 meeting. For a description of additional membership benefits and to become a member please visit <https://www.ibangs.org/why-join-ibangs>

Register at <https://www.ibangs.org/genes-brain-and-behavior-2024> for the meeting and pay the appropriate registration fee. Registration opens February 1st

Submit your abstract through the online abstract submission page at Submit Abstract. Submit the following items, by 22nd, February 2024, to Anna Delprato, by email (administrator@ibangs.org) in Word.

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- 1) Abstract of 250 or fewer words; indicate your preference for a) oral or poster presentation, or b) poster only
- 2) Letter that includes your contact information and describes your eligibility (e.g., in what year of what Ph.D. or M.D. program, or postdoctoral status, general thesis topic, adviser /supervisor's name, year of holding faculty rank, etc.), how meeting attendance will further your career goals, why the work to be presented is deserving of recognition, a statement of financial need if relevant. Please indicate whether any of the ALBA Diversity categories apply to you-see below.
- 3) Curriculum vitae
- 4) Letter from your advisor or Chair confirming eligibility and/or need
- 5) Estimate of the amount of stipend needed justified by a list of expenses (including amounts) such as transportation, lodging, etc.

You will receive confirmation of your application within three business days – if you do not receive confirmation, then contact Anna Delprato (administrator@ibangs.org) immediately.

ALBA Diversity Categories

- Women
- LGBTQIA+ individuals
- With disability, neurodivergence or chronic medical condition
- Of first generation status (*being the first in a family to attend university*)
- Born into racial, ethnic or caste groups that are historically underrepresented in their country of origin and/or work
- Who do not speak English as their primary language
- Living in low socio-economic area
- Facing forced migration or displacement due to war, human rights abuses, political conflict, natural disasters
- With difficult personal circumstances (*e.g., caregiving responsibilities*)
- From families with low-income or limited social mobility
- Weak passport holders (*according to latest [Henley Passport Index](#)*)

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- Studying or working in a country with low gross domestic expenditure on R&D (GERD) measured against gross domestic product (GDP) and number of researchers per million inhabitants (*according to latest [UIS statistics](#)*)