



# International Outreach Program

## Purpose:

Support the College's Fellows-in-Training (FIT) members from programs outside of United States and Canada to attend the College's Annual Scientific Meeting.

## Program Description:

Up to two (2) travel scholarships in the amount of \$2,500 will be offered each year, in addition to a waiver of the general registration fee, to international FITs attending the Annual Meeting. FITs selected to participate in the program will be paired with a College mentor - ideally a College leader with prior service on the board of the World Allergy Organization (WAO). In addition, awardees will be put in contact with the Senior and Junior FIT Representatives to the College's Board of Regents who will orient them to FIT activities taking place at the Annual Meeting. They will also be invited to attend the ACAAI International Committee's meeting at the Annual Meeting. Upon their return, the scholarship recipients will be asked to complete a brief online report - reflecting on their experience and how they plan to apply what they have gained from attending the Annual Meeting.

## Eligibility:

ACAAI FIT member enrolled in an allergy/immunology training program in a country outside of the United States and Canada who meets the below eligibility criteria.

## Applicant must be:

1. An active ACAAI member in good standing.\*
2. Enrolled in an allergy/immunology training program in one of the following four geographic regions:
  - Central and South America\*\*
  - Eastern Europe and Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)
  - Africa and Middle East
  - Asia and Oceania
3. Have a research abstract accepted for presentation (oral or poster) at the ACAAI Annual Meeting they will be attending. (Applicant must be the first/presenting author.)

## To be considered for the Foundation scholarship, applicants will be required to provide the following documentation:

- An application signed by the applicant and their training program director or division chief, verifying their enrollment and good standing in an allergy/immunology training program.
- Letter of support from the applicant's training program director or division chief - preferably an active member of the College.\*\*\*
- A brief statement (300 words or less) explaining why they should be considered for the scholarship and what they hope to gain from attending the Annual Meeting.
- Curriculum vitae.

## Selection:

Applications will be forwarded to the Foundation's International Outreach Program Committee. They will review the applications and select awardees based on the above-mentioned eligibility criteria and supporting documentation (letter of support, personal statement, and CV). An effort will be made to award scholarships to at least one FIT from each of the five geographic regions (as feasible) within a five-year period.

Applicants who are not selected to receive the scholarship will be placed on a waiting list. If a previously awarded scholarship is declined due to travel restrictions/difficulty or another reason, the chair of the International Outreach Program Committee will select a new awardee from the waiting list for that particular year. Those who wish to be considered again in the future will need to reapply during the year they plan to attend the Annual Meeting.

## Timeline:

- July 1: Applications Due
- July 1-31: Application Review
- August 1: Award Notifications

\* If the applicant is not already an ACAAI member, an application for College membership must be included with the travel scholarship application.

\*\* FITs from Mexico who are not selected for this program may be considered for a scholarship offered by the College to FITs in eligible programs in the US and North America, provided they meet the necessary requirements. **They will only be eligible to receive one scholarship** (Foundation or College, not both) that year.

\*\*\* If the training program director is not a member of the College, the applicant may submit **an additional** letter of support from another faculty member in their A/I program and/or a president of a local A/I society with an active membership in the College to meet this requirement.

# International FIT Scholarship Application



**THE ALLERGISTS'  
FOUNDATION**  
of the American College of  
Allergy, Asthma & Immunology

**Deadline: July 1, 2024**

## **2024 ACAAI Annual Scientific Meeting** October 24-28, 2024 • Boston, MA

The Allergists' Foundation invites Fellows-in-Training from countries outside of the US and Canada to apply for a scholarship to attend the College's 2024 Annual Scientific Meeting in Boston. **To be considered, please review the below eligibility criteria and then complete and submit this application.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Training Program / Hospital Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I began my allergy/immunology training \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ (mo./yr.) and anticipate completing it \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ (mo./yr.).

Allergy Training Program Director: \_\_\_\_\_

**The Allergists' Foundation will award up to two (2) scholarships in the amount of \$2,500 each to non-US Fellows-in-Training who meet the below eligibility criteria.**

### **Applicant must be:**

1. An active ACAAI member in good standing\*
2. Enrolled in an allergy/immunology training program in one of the following geographic regions:
  - Central and South America\*\*
  - Eastern Europe and Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)
  - Africa and Middle East
  - Asia and Oceania
3. Have a research abstract accepted for presentation at the ACAAI Annual Meeting they will be attending. *Applicant **must** be the presenting author.*

### **The following must be submitted along with this application:**

1. Letter of support from the applicant's training program director or division chief - preferably an active member of the College.\*\*\*

2. A brief statement (300 words or less) explaining why applicant should be considered for the scholarship and what they hope to gain from attending the Annual Meeting.
3. Applicant's curriculum vitae.

### **If selected, the awardee is expected to:**

- Attend the Fellows-in-Training Program and General Meeting.
- Connect with their assigned mentor(s) prior to attending the meeting.
- Be registered for the Annual Meeting using instructions contained in the award letter.
- Make their own travel and hotel reservations.

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\*\*\* If the training program director is not a member of the College, the applicant may submit an additional letter of support from another faculty member in their A/I program and/or a president of a local A/I society with an active membership in the College to meet this requirement.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergy/Immunology Program Director Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please email this form, your curriculum vitae and personal statement  
by July 1 to: [foundation@acaii.org](mailto:foundation@acaii.org)**

**An incomplete application will not be processed.**