T&T Funding for Student Travel and Research

Purpose

The T&T Travel Award program supports graduate student travel to showcase their research and scholarly work as it relates to T&T. This travel award program is designed both to enhance professional development opportunities for students and to further promote the status of the University of Central Florida as a "very high research activity" classified R1 university. T&T Travel Awards are for domestic and international travel to meetings, conferences, performances, exhibits, and workshops a) where the student is presenting their research and b) that have officially published programs.

Eligibility

The following minimum requirements must be met to qualify for a T&T Travel Award:

- The applicant must be a registered student in the T&T program at the time of the award;
- The applicant's work must either be accepted or under review to be presented at a competitive scholarly meeting or event.
- Event dates should occur after the deadline of the application submission.
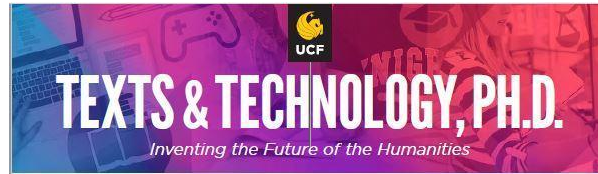- The Travel Grant will cover up to $750.00 in accordance with the selection criteria listed below.

Selection Criteria

Applications received for the T&T Travel Award will be considered in accordance with the following:

- Amount of funds available;
- Number of students applying;
- Whether you have previously received an award; and
- Destination of the event or meeting.

Priorities
- **Acceptance Status**
    - 1st priority: Confirmed Acceptance
    - 2nd priority: Confirmed Submission under review
- **Impact of Prestige**
    - 1st priority: International event
    - 2nd priority: National event
    - 3rd priority: Regional event

Application Procedure

Applicants must submit the following:

- Current curriculum vitae (CV)
- Abstract of the talk or paper
- Written description by the applicant of the event detailing the following: event selectivity, what it means to be "invited" to the event, and the applicant's research that will be presented;
- Email from the applicant's faculty advisor or chair supporting the application and attesting the following: quality of the work presented, quality/prestige of the event, event selectivity, and how the event participation is **directly related** to the applicant's work in the Texts & Technology PhD program;
- Document confirmation of presentation (letter, email, PDF of program page, etc.) with the applicant's name clearly listed as a presenter or performer (or confirmation of submission, if still under review);
- T&T Travel Award Application showing the amount of funding requested;
- A list of estimated expenses including travel, lodging, registration, and membership.

Application Deadlines

Due to the wide-ranging schedules of conferences, there will be four deadlines for T&T Travel Award applications. There will be a 2-3 week review period following these deadlines prior to award decisions announcement. Applications must be received by 11:59pm EST on the application submission deadline.

- Fall 1: September 15
- Fall 2: November 15
- Spring 1: January 15
- Spring 2: Apr 15 (summer travel will be considered here)

Students are also encouraged to apply for these **additional sources of funding at UCF:**

- SGA Conference Registration and Travel Funding: https://ucfsga.com/services/funding/
- College of Graduate Studies Presentation Fellowship: https://graduate.ucf.edu/presentation-fellowship/