



Rheumatology Research Foundation

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Medical and Graduate Student Achievement Award

The mission of the Rheumatology Research Foundation is to advance research and training to improve the health of people with rheumatic diseases.

As part of the [Choose Rheumatology](#) campaign, the Foundation encourages students to explore a career in rheumatology. The purpose of the Student Achievement Award is to recognize outstanding medical and graduate students for significant work in the field of rheumatology as evidenced by being an author or co-author of an abstract submitted to the 2021 ACR Convergence.

ACR Convergence

The meeting features the latest innovations, science, clinical and business best practices in rheumatology. You will get first-hand access to the latest discoveries and research transforming rheumatic disease care, as well as, clinical applications that will improve the health of patients. It is an opportunity to experience personalized learning that allows you to expand your knowledge to new areas of interest and focus in rheumatology. For more information about the ACR Convergence check out <https://www.rheumatology.org/>.

Award Amount: \$1,000 award plus complimentary registration to attend the 2021 ACR Convergence.

All applications must be submitted by 5:00 PM ET on the deadline day through ProposalCentral at: <https://proposalcentral.com/>

If you have any questions about your eligibility or submitting your application, please contact Award & Grants staff at 404-365-1373 or Foundation@rheumatology.org.

Application Deadline

August 2, 2021

Guidelines

Eligibility

- All award recipients must abide by Foundation [Awards and Grants Policies](#) at all times.
- The applicant must be a medical student enrolled in a LCME- accredited medical school, or a graduate student enrolled in an accredited institution.
- The applicant must be an author or co-author of an abstract submitted to the 2021 ACR Convergence via the ACR/ARP abstract submission portal by the **Tuesday, June 1, 2021** deadline.
- The applicant must have made a significant contribution to the work submitted in order to be considered for the award.

Review Criteria

Each application will be ranked on the following criteria:

1. Evidence of abstract submission
2. Merit of applicant
3. Relevance of the applicant's research to rheumatology

Applicants will be notified as to the status of their award in September.

Award Terms and Funding

Awardees will receive an award of \$1,000, plus complimentary registration for the 2021 ACR Convergence. This is a one-year award.

Application Instructions

Before starting the online application, you will be required to create a Professional Profile in ProposalCentral, if you have not already. To do so, visit [this link](#) to begin creating your account.

Note: The Foundation does not require official signature from an authorized institutional research office at the time of application. However, many institutions require an application to be reviewed prior to submission. Please check with your research office for your institution's requirements.

Applicant Information

You will be asked to confirm your eligibility and provide contact information in this section.

Applicant Resume, CV, or Biosketch

You will also be asked to upload the student's Resume, CV or Biosketch. Limit to 5 pages.

Abstract Information

- Abstract Title
- Author(s) Names
- Abstract control number (from ACR/ARP submission portal)

Required Documents

Statement of Applicant

Limit to 1 page.

The student must include the following:

- Details regarding their involvement in the project reported in the abstract
- Details regarding their past achievements and future career plans

Letters of Recommendation

Limit to 1 page.

The mentor must provide a letter of recommendation detailing the student's contributions to the research project and any achievements.

ACR Convergence Abstract Submission

A copy of the complete abstract. Applications received without a copy of the abstract submitted to the ACR Convergence will **not** be reviewed.

Please note that the Foundation does not have any information regarding the status of your abstract submission to the ACR or ARP. The ACR/ARP abstract selection process and the Foundation award selection process are conducted independently.

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