

Department of Government
Michael Sturm Student Conference Fund

Thanks to the generous support provided by Michael Sturm, Class of 1984, each year the Department of Government is able to provide limited, supplementary funding to help defray costs incurred by students taking part in professional political science conferences.

Eligibility Criteria

1. Applicants must be declared majors in Government or conducting research under the supervision of a member of the Department faculty.
2. Applicants must be doing presentations (papers, posters) at an academic political science conference on their own or with a Department faculty member.
3. Applicants must also seek funding from the College Student Activities office.
<http://www.wm.edu/studentactivities/funding/conference.php>

Selection Considerations

1. Preference will be given to applicants who have not already previously received conference funding from the Department.
2. Preference will be given to students who will still be enrolled in the College at the time the conference takes place.
3. Normally a maximum of \$500 per student is granted while funds last; early application (September/October) strongly encouraged.
4. Any funding granted is contingent upon confirmation that the student has been invited to take part in the conference (a copy of that letter need not be submitted with application but must be submitted for funds to be released).

Application Materials

Student Name _____ Date _____

Conference Name _____

Conference Location/Dates _____

Expected Costs: Travel _____ Lodging _____ Registration _____

Participation (paper, poster, etc.) _____

Presentation Title _____

- Applicants planning to present at a conference with a faculty member from the Department must attach a brief letter of endorsement from that person.
- Applicants planning to present at a conference on their own must submit copies of official event information and a one-page description of their paper/poster (if already received, a copy of a letter of acceptance should also be included).
- Applicants must submit copies of their application to the College Student Activities Office conference fund and any reply already received.

Approval

Amount Approved _____ Approver _____ Date _____