

## DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE GRADUATE STUDENT TRAVEL GRANTS

The Vanderbilt University Graduate School provides each student with one domestic travel grant per year of \$500 for a maximum of three years. Please visit the Graduate School Travel Grant page for more information:

[<http://gradschool.vanderbilt.edu/funding/travel.php>]

All students are expected to apply for this travel grant. As a condition of the DGS approving the travel grant application, all students must agree to present their work in the department.

Some students may want to present work at a second conference. The DGS, in consultation with the Graduate Committee, will make a limited number of travel awards of \$500.

Criteria for receiving these awards will be as follows:

1. Students must have already applied for and used the Graduate School travel grant for the first conference.
2. Students must provide evidence that they have applied to at least one outside funding source (APSA, MPSA, SPSA, and ISA have graduate student travel grants; Vanderbilt's Graduate Student Council has a lottery-based travel grant).
3. The committee will assess the student's progress towards degree, based on criteria such as seniority, milestones (e.g., defending a prospectus, passing comps), GPA, incompletes.
4. Dissertation-related work will receive priority over ancillary projects and faculty-student collaborations.
5. Satisfactory fulfillment of RA/TA responsibilities is required.

Deadlines for the Department of Political Science Graduate Student Travel Grants will be October 1 and March 15.

A hard copy of the application (on the next page) must be submitted to the DGS.

Applications must be submitted in advance of the conference presentation.

**DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE GRADUATE STUDENT TRAVEL GRANT APPLICATION**

Applicant Name:

Conference:

Location:

Dates of travel:

Have you already received a Graduate School Travel Grant this fiscal year (July 1-June 30)?

- No  
 Yes

Have you applied for outside funding for travel this fiscal year (July 1- June 30)?

- No  
 Yes : If yes, please explain here:

What is your current overall GPA?

Do you have any incompletes?

- No  
 Yes : If yes, please explain here:

As part of this application, you must discuss this proposed presentation with a faculty sponsor.

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*This portion is to be completed by your faculty sponsor.*

I have discussed this conference presentation with the applicant and approve of the applicant's proposed conference travel.

The proposed presentation is:

- Dissertation-related  
 Not dissertation-related

Signature of faculty sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_