Vivien Casagrande Neuroscience Travel Award

The **Vivien Casagrande Neuroscience Travel Award** is given in recognition of outstanding research by a graduate student or post-doctoral scholar to support their travel for presenting their research at a conference. This award honors the outstanding scientific achievements of Professor Casagrande and her dedication to the career of young scientists at the graduate and post-doctoral stages of their career.

The Application Procedure. The nominee must be a current graduate student or post-doctoral fellow engaged in neuroscience-related research and affiliated with either the Departments of Psychology, Cell and Developmental Biology, Graduate Training Program in Neuroscience of the VBI or Vanderbilt Vision Research Center (VVRC). A nomination letter from one or more faculty should briefly describe the research o be presented (can use the conference abstract if already composed), the meeting to be attended, and include some details about how the meeting will help the young scientist's career and whether they will be presenting a talk or poster. Please also attach the nominee's CV.

The winner will receive travel support for up to $1,500 to attend a conference of their choice within the year of the award, as well as have their name engraved on a plaque displayed in the Department of Psychology. In the event that the conference is virtual, funds will cover the fees for presenting at and registering for the conference.

Nominations and supported material should be submitted to the Program Coordinator, Erin Duran erin.duran@vanderbilt.edu in the Department of Psychology. Please submit all nomination materials electronically (pdf format preferably). Applications will be reviewed by a committee of faculty from the participating Units and Departments.

Nomination Deadline. Award will be announced at September's Fall Assembly.

Number of Awards. We anticipate making one award each year. However, there may be years when no award is issued.

Past Awardees.

2022 Jennifer Zachary

2021 Leighton Durham

2020 No award competition held

2019 Gabby Dicarlo

2018 Jacob Westerberg

2017 Jocelyn Sy