

ACSM Aging Interest Group/Strategic Health Initiative on Aging 2019 Student Research Awards

The ACSM Aging Interest Group (AIG) and the Strategic Health Initiative on Aging (SHI-A) are pleased to announce the 2019 Student Research Awards underwritten by Murcott funds. This award program recognizes exemplar achievements by promising student scientists in the field of aging and exercise.

Student Research Awards

The AIG Awards Committee will score each abstract based on scientific quality using a standard scoresheet. We will determine the top three finalists based on the highest average ranked scores. We will notify finalists in early May. It is expected that the three finalists will deliver at the AIG meeting in Orlando (likely Wednesday 5:45pm) a brief oral slide presentation with Q&A based on their abstract. The first, second and third place awards will be decided by the AIG Awards Committee after considering the oral presentation in addition to abstract score. Awards: first place – certificate and \$500 prize; second place – certificate and \$300 prize; and third place – certificate and \$200 prize.

Eligibility

For award consideration, applicant must be a current or pending student ACSM member as well as the first author of an abstract accepted for an oral or poster presentation at the 2019 ACSM Annual meeting. Post-doctoral Fellows are not eligible for these awards. We will not accept multiple submissions - only one abstract per applicant.

Application Process

Electronic applications are due by **11:59pm EDT, Saturday, April 20, 2019**. Detailed submission instructions are below.

Application Submission Materials

- 1) **Letter of nomination/endorsement from applicants academic advisor.** This letter should include a statement specifying the applicant's contributions and specific role on the submitted abstract. The letter should also specify that the applicant is applying for the ACSM AIG/SHI-A Student Research award.
- 2) **Expanded abstract of the original research submitted and accepted to the 2019 ACSM annual meeting.** The original ACSM accepted abstract can be expanded to include more detail to up to two pages (single-spaced, 11 pt Arial font, and 1" margins). Include title, authors, institutions, and funding source(s) at the top of Page 1 (single-spaced). Abstract should use the format of Introduction, Methods, Results, and Discussion. References (if included) do not count in the two-page limit and can be listed on a separate page. Note that we will not review submissions that exceed two pages of text (including tables/figures if applicable).
- 3) **Copy of e-mail correspondence or acceptance letter from 2019 ACSM verifying acceptance of your abstract as a poster or oral presentation at the ACSM Annual meeting.**
- 4) **Proof of student membership.**

Submission Instructions

Submit applications **electronically in a single PDF file** to ACSM.AIGChairs@gmail.com. You must submit all materials no later than **11:59pm EDT, Saturday, April 20, 2019**. Please put your "FIRST INITIAL, LAST NAME - AIG STUDENT AWARD APPLICATION" in the subject header of the application e-mail.

Please direct any questions regarding the submission process to the email address listed above.