

Biomechanics and Mechanobiology Research Area 2026 Travel Grant Application

Applicant Information

Student Name: _____

Ph.D. Stage (circle one): Pre-Qualification / Qualified / Candidate

Ph.D. Advisor Name: _____

Ph.D. Advisor Research Area: _____ (primary) _____ (secondary)

Conference Information

Conference/Society Name: _____

Location: _____

Conference Dates: _____

Accepted Abstract Information

Title: _____

Author List: _____

Presentation Type (circle one): Oral / Poster / Pending

Estimated Travel Costs

Anticipated Travel Dates: _____

	Total Estimated Cost	Requested Funds
Registration		
Flight / Drive		
Accommodations		
Meals and Incidentals (excluding provided meals)		
TOTAL		

Commitment of Remaining Costs

Estimated Remaining Costs After Requested Travel Grant Support: _____

Other Travel Grants Applied To: _____

Faculty-Associated Fund Number(s): _____

Signatures

If I am awarded travel funds, I acknowledge that I will fulfill the requirements for timely expense reporting and research communication, as outlined in the eligibility and conditions.

Applicant: _____ Date: _____

If my student is awarded travel funds, I am committed to securing the remainder of the funding for this travel and working with the BME business office to ensuring accurate allocation of funds.

Ph.D. Advisor _____ Date: _____

Kindly send completed and electronically signed applications to chand@purdue.edu by the due date listed.

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This travel grant will provide *no more than* \$1500 for oral presentations and \$1000 for poster presentations. Only one travel grant will be awarded per year, per student applicant. Travel grants will be available until budget is expended.

Eligibility:

- Student is enrolled full-time in the BME or IBSC PhD program
- Primary faculty mentor is aligned to the Biomechanics and Mechanobiology Research Area
- Not a previous winner of the Travel Grant in the last Award Year

Prioritization (not listed in order):

- Faculty Mentor Research Area: Primary > Secondary
- Presentation > Poster > Pending (provide documentation)
- PhD Candidates > Qualified PhD Students > Pre-Qualification
- Lab not previously supported > Lab with previous travel grant support

Research Communication Conditions:

- Provide a brief paragraph on significance and impact of research in lay terms (100 words) to be conveyed to Rhonda Jones, rwjones@purdue.edu
- Commitment to provide photos of your participation at conference, including presenting or any awards for use on social media and other research communications

Application and Travel Periods:

Application Deadline	Last Anticipated Travel Date	Anticipated Decision Date
November 24, 2025	January 1, 2026 – April 30, 2026	December 12, 2025
March 16, 2026	May 1, 2026 – August 30, 2026	April 3, 2026
July 13, 2026	September 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026	July 31, 2026

Estimating Travel Costs:

- Use the U.S. General Services Administration per diem rates <https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates> to determine the maximum allowable rates for “Daily lodging rates (excluding taxes)” and “Meals and incidental expenses (M&IE) rates and breakdown”.

Other Information:

Research Areas in the Weldon School are Biomechanics and Mechanobiology, Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering, Imaging, Instrumentation and Bioelectricity, Computational Biomedicine, and Neuroengineering

Relevant top National and International Conferences, as identified by Biomechanics and Mechanobiology faculty (alphabetical order) with 2026 conference dates:

American Heart Association Scientific Sessions	Nov 7-9
American Society for Biomechanics (ASB) Annual Meeting	none in 2026
American Society for Bone and Mineral Research (ASBMR) Annual Meeting	Oct 9-12
American Physical Society Division of Fluid Mechanics (APS DFD) Annual Meeting	Nov 22–24
Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting *	Oct 21-24
Biophysical Society Annual Meeting	Feb 21-25
Computer Methods in Biomechanics and Biomedical Engineering (CMBBE) Symposium	no info for 2026
International Society for Applied Cardiovascular Biology Biennial Meeting	Nov 11-14
Orthopaedic Research Society (ORS) Annual Meeting	Mar 27-31
Osteoarthritis Research Society International (OARSI) World Congress	Apr 23-26
Summer Bioengineering Conference (SBC, SB3C)	none in 2026
World Congress of Biomechanics (WCB)	Jul 11-15

* Typically, BME supports students for this, so BMES Annual Meeting will not be prioritized for this award.