



CALL FOR APPLICANTS

AGRO DIVISION 2026 EDUCATION TRAVEL AWARDS

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UNDERGRADUATE and GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH

Travel Support for Student Posters

Fall ACS Meeting 2026 in Chicago, Illinois, USA

The AGRO Division has established an endowment fund to promote an understanding of the role of chemistry in agriculture. Student awards will be made through the Division's Education Committee to address this goal.

Eligibility Criteria

Undergraduate or graduate student presenting a poster in the AGRO Division at the ACS 2026 Fall Meeting. The award will be granted regardless of race, gender, age, religion, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, presence of disabilities, and educational background. ACS membership is not required.

Applications are sought for the 2026 Travel Awards. Selected undergraduate and graduate students will be awarded up to \$1,000 each to help defray costs of attendance to give a poster at the Fall ACS Meeting, which will be held in August 2026 in Chicago, Illinois. Students should submit their abstracts in the symposium of their choice. First, Second, and Third place winners in the poster competition will receive an additional cash award.

The subject of the presentation should pertain to the chemistry of the AGRO Division. Topics should relate to pest management chemistry including synthesis, metabolism, regulatory, risk assessment, biotechnology, resistance, mode of action, residues, delivery, fate/behavior/transport, and agronomic practices including nutrients and fertilizers. The AGRO Division is also interested in chemical products made from agricultural commodities, byproducts, biofuels, and their production issues.

For more information, please contact the co-coordinators:

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To apply, students should submit their applications via the ON-LINE FORM no later than March 30, 2026.

<https://www.agrodiv.org/awards/agro-education-awards-for-student-travel/>

- **Confirmation Email:** A copy of the email from ACS confirming your abstract was successfully submitted to a poster session of your choice in the AGRO Division, ACS 2026 Fall Meeting program (<https://maps.acs.org/>)
- **Extended abstract:** A maximum 2-page extended abstract describing the applicants research and your research and its impact on issues relevant to AGRO. (See the award page for an example.)
- **Nomination Letter:** A short letter of nomination you're your faculty advisor verifying your current enrollment.
- **Headshot Photo:** for public release.

PLEASE NOTE: Only **poster presentations** are eligible for this travel award. Senior graduate students who have previously attended scientific meetings and are in their last year of graduate school are encouraged to do an oral presentation.

However, oral presentations are not eligible for the travel award. These students may submit a poster abstract separate from (but can be related to) their oral presentation.

Files sent directly to the coordinators will not be accepted.

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*Abstracts will be reviewed by the Education Committee
Applicants will be notified of their selection status in May 2026*

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