

## Financial aid opportunities for attending the WCB

Attending the WCB comes with expenses and travel and accommodation costs can be major barriers. With this in mind, the IAB and the 2020 WCB organizers try to assist colleagues through the [bursary program](#) and the [Colleague Support Fund](#). We seek to make meaningful contributions to help with conference-related costs in a fair and efficient way. One consequence is that, like past WCBs, we are not funding some colleagues' entire cost, as this will mean that only a smaller number of people can receive any support. Therefore, conference attendees will likely have remaining financial needs.

The list below is intended to help with identifying further support. It is best used after you have reached out to fellow students, colleagues, or university administrators who are likely familiar with your particular situation (which matters, as there are often specific opportunities that are tied to disciplinary subfields). The list comes from prospective WCB attendees who applied for bursaries and kindly mentioned which other sources they have already applied to or are planning to apply to. It is also supplemented by other sources that the 2020 WCB planning group felt would be useful to share. If you have further additions, please email them to [contact@iab2020.org](mailto:contact@iab2020.org) and copy and paste "**Suggestion for financial aid option**" in the subject line of your email.

Note that University websites often don't have the most effective search engines. It can be useful to type your university name together with the names of support programs noted below to see if there are similar offers that you may not be aware of.

Note also that there can be additional application deadlines. We are publishing this list some 5 months before the WCB, but in your own interest, the sooner you start looking into this, the better!

For many funders, having an accepted conference presentation makes a difference in considering support, so be sure to mention this in any contact that you make!

Possible funders	Examples of relevant programs or other opportunities
Country or state government departments, other agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="358 1507 1421 1612">• BRAZIL - Graduate Support Program (PROAP/CAPES) of the Foundation for Higher Education Personnel Improvement Coordination (CAPES), linked to the Brazilian Ministry of Education</li><li data-bbox="358 1619 1421 1654">• GERMANY - DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service)</li><li data-bbox="358 1661 1421 1728">• MEXICO - Mexican Council of Science and Technology of the State of Mexico</li><li data-bbox="358 1734 1421 1770">• NIGERIA - Tertiary Education Trust Fund (Nigeria)</li><li data-bbox="358 1776 1421 1837">• THE PHILIPPINES - The Philippine's CHED (Commission on Higher Education)</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• THE PHILIPPINES - Philippine Council of Health Research and Development Research Support</li> <li>• National Center of Science</li> </ul>
University	<p>AFRICA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• University of Lagos Learned Conference Vote</li> </ul> <p>EUROPE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TOBB University of Economics and Technology - TOBB ETU</li> <li>• University College London - Conference Funds Application system</li> <li>• University of Strathclyde - PGR Student Support Fund</li> <li>• University of Strathclyde - Central Travel Fund</li> </ul> <p>NORTH AMERICA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boston College - GSAS and CRFG grants</li> <li>• Boston College - Theology Graduate Student Association (TGSA) Conference Grants</li> <li>• Boston College - Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Conference Reimbursement</li> <li>• Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center Internship – Alumni Scholarship</li> <li>• McGill University - Graduate Research Enhancement and Travel Award (GREAT Award)</li> <li>• University of Toronto - graduate students conference bursary for the summer</li> <li>• University of Toronto - Graduate Students' Union (UTGSU) conference bursary</li> <li>• University of Toronto - School of Graduate Studies (SGS) Conference Grant</li> <li>• University of Toronto - Faculty of Pharmacy's Shaping Student Life and Learning (SLL) Experience Fund</li> <li>• University of Washington - Travel grant, Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS)</li> <li>• Travel grant, University of Washington Graduate school</li> </ul>
Foundations	<p>AFRICA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Advance Africa Travel Grant for Women</a></li> </ul> <p>ASIA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Institute of the Forum for Medical Ethics Society - Health, Ethics, and Law (HEaL), India</li> </ul> <p>EUROPE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Institute of Medical Ethics Conference Grant Scheme</li> <li>• <a href="#">Churchill Fellowships (UK Citizens)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Lundbeckfonden Travel Stipends (Denmark)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">BACR/CRUK Student Travel Awards (UK)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Fritz Thyssen Foundation Travel Grant (Germany)</a></li> </ul>

NORTH AMERICA

- RQSPAL (Réseau québécois de recherche en soins palliatifs et de fin de vie)

INTERNATIONAL/OTHER

- Open Society Foundations
- Wellcome Trust
- MDPI Travel Award 2020 competition
- [PLOS Early Career Travel Award](#)
- [Sparrho's Early Career Researcher Prize](#)
- [Hellobio Travel Awards](#)
- [Charles Koch Foundation Graduate Research Support](#)
- [Daniel Turnberg Travel Fellowships](#)
- [Global Fund for Women Travel Grants](#)