Ashworth Graduate Training Award

The Department of Behavioral Neuroscience invites applications for its semiannual scientific awards program. The Ashworth Graduate Training Award benefits graduate students who wish to enhance their graduate training. Examples for awards include but are not limited to attending workshop/courses, “sabbatical” training at a distant laboratory; focused purchase of classic textbooks. Generally, no more than 3 applications will be awarded for a total of $3,000 annually, with a maximum of $1,000 each. No more than two applications per deadline will be funded. Two deadlines per year for applications are May 15 and Nov. 15 (Nov. 16 for 2009).

Previous Award Recipients

2005: Rebecca Hammond
2007: Kyle Ambert, Peter Groblewski, Skyla Herod
2008: Lauren Dobbs, Angela Scibelli, Laura Villasana, James Stafford
2009: Allison Anacker, David Roalf

Submission Guidelines

Deadline: May 15 and Nov. 16, 2009

To submit an application for the Ashworth Graduate Training Award, please provide a completed application form and attach the following:

- Statement from student on how this award will further your career goals
- Student’s current vitae including honors and a complete bibliography
- Mentor’s vitae, including grant support
- Support letter from mentor

The Ashworth Graduate Training Award recognizes excellent graduate students in the Department of Behavioral Neuroscience. Requests for support are sought in these areas:

- attendance at molecular, behavioral and cognitive neuroscience Workshops or Courses
- travel and/or living expenses for short “sabbatical” training in laboratories outside OHSU
- classic textbooks for specific purposes
- awards will not be used for support of student stipends or fees, nor for travel for routine scientific meetings either national or international (e.g., RSA and Society for Neuroscience)

Successful applications have emphasized unique opportunities for the student, especially workshops with “hands-on” training opportunities and student-initiated sabbaticals. These categories should be interpreted broadly and are not meant to be exclusive; all kinds of training opportunities are of sufficient merit to be considered for awards. In the event that a student does not get accepted into a proposed training opportunity or workshop, (s)he may propose an alternate use for the award.

Considerations for priority of awards:

- matching funds
- more senior students with plans to enhance qualifications and/or training
- no previous award

The Ashworth Graduate Training Award was established in 2004. An award consists of a citation and a cash prize, which are presented at the following BEHN Faculty meeting. The awardee is required to acknowledge receipt and use of the funding upon return.

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The Ginger Ashworth Graduate Training Award benefits graduate students who wish to further training in areas including but not limited to:

- Attending molecular, behavioral and cognitive neuroscience workshops or courses
- "Sabbatical" training at a distant laboratory (travel and/or living expenses)
- Purchasing classical textbooks for specific purposes

2009 Deadlines for all applications are May 15, 2009 and Nov. 16, 2009. Awards are presented at the Behavioral Neuroscience June and December Faculty meetings.

Please see the Call for Applications for more information.

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Student Applicant:

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Training opportunity for which support is requested: ________________________

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Amount requested: ______________

Year applicant entered BN graduate program: __________

Mentor:

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Availability of matching funds: _________________________________________

Signature of applicant: ____________________ Date: ______________

Note: The maximum award is $1000. If the costs of a training opportunity are greater than $1000, the applicant letter and/or the mentor’s letter should indicate the possible availability of matching funds.

Please attach:

- Applicant’s current vita with list of publications
- Separate one-page statement from the student describing the importance of the request
- Letter of support from mentor
- Mentor’s current vita with grant support in an NIH Biosketch format

Send completed application form to:
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