



# Katie Riley Public Health Travel Scholarship

**Amount available:**

Partial travel scholarships – amounts to be determined based upon application information and available funding. Amounts will not include all fees and personal expenses, which will be the responsibility of the recipient.

**Please submit your application to:**

Katie Riley Public Health Travel Scholarship  
Oregon Health & Science University  
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Submit via email to [phpm@ohsu.edu](mailto:phpm@ohsu.edu).

**Questions:**

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503-494-2012

**Purpose:** The Katie Riley Public Health Travel Scholarship is awarded to students who have had an abstract accepted for presentation at a public health conference. Preference will be given to students who are committed to serving the health of under-represented minority communities and advancing public health in Oregon.

**Eligibility:** Students must be US Citizens or permanent residents who are accepted into and enrolled in the Epidemiology and Biostatistics track of the Oregon MPH Program.\*

**Background:** The Katie Riley Public Health Travel Scholarship was established in 2009. Named after Katherine (Katie) Riley, Ed.D., longtime Director of Education and Director of the Epidemiology & Biostatistics track of the Oregon MPH program, this scholarship exemplifies her commitment to students and to the Epidemiology and Biostatistics track.

Dr. Riley was employed by the Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine from November 9, 1992 until June 30, 2009 when she retired as Assistant Professor Emerita. As part of her responsibilities as Director of Education, in addition to serving as Director of the Epidemiology and Biostatistics track of the Oregon MPH, she oversaw the Preventive Medicine Residency as well as the epidemiology and biostatistics teaching for undergraduate medical students. She wrote the proposal for the Oregon MPH Program and helped to develop it. She also served on the OMPH Coordinating Council. In addition, she developed and taught the Women's Health Epidemiology and Adolescent Risky Behavior Epidemiology courses and provided lectures on adolescent health and policy for other classes. Her research interests concern substance abuse treatment, particularly for adolescents. Service activities included President of the Oregon Public Health Association where she received a Lifetime Achievement Award in 2001, and Chairing the Washington County Commission on Children and Families from 2002-2006. She continues to serve both groups. She has also served as a member of the Oregon Commission on Children and Families Emerging Issues and Community Schools Initiative. Other activities have included serving as a member of the Board of the Northwest Regional Educational Service District. She also represented the department on the Graduate Council and chaired a subcommittee to revise the ByLaws. Dr. Riley obtained her doctorate in Education from UCLA, master's degree in sociology from Washington State University, and a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Oregon.

This scholarship was established in Dr. Riley's name by her friends and colleagues on the occasion of her retirement from OHSU.