

2018 SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF REPRODUCTION BURROUGHS WELLCOME HWPF TRAVEL

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FOR UNDERREPRESENTED MINORITY TRAINEES AND JUNIOR FACULTY

Underrepresented minority trainees and junior faculty are invited to apply for travel fellowships (*supported by Burroughs Wellcome Fund*) to attend the 51st Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Reproduction, 9–13 July 2018, at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside, New Orleans, LA. The theme of this year’s meeting is “Pathways to Discovery: Signals for Reproduction, Development, and Longevity.” Please visit <https://www.ssr.org/18Meeting> for up-to-date meeting information.

Burroughs Wellcome Travel Fellowships include waiver of registration fee, and reimbursement for housing, food, and travel expenses up to USD \$1,200. In addition, recipients will receive an SSR membership for the remainder of 2018, a meeting T-shirt, and a ticket for the barbecue dinner & dance. *We anticipate awarding nine total fellowships for six trainees and three junior (non-tenured) faculty members who have a background in reproductive biology.* Each award provides full support to attend the meeting; thus, recipients of this fellowship may not accept additional travel awards. A trainee is defined as a student (undergraduate or graduate) or a postdoctoral associate. The deadline for applications is **31 Oct 2018**. If you apply, please wait to register for the annual meeting until after you receive notice of your award status.

ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS

Each applicant must be a member of an underrepresented minority, a resident of the United States or Canada, and enrolled as a student in or teaching at an accredited, degree-granting institution in the United States or Canada. Membership in the Society is not a requirement nor is submission of an abstract for presentation. Trainees and junior faculty who attend or teach at minority-serving institutions or non-research institutions are encouraged to apply.

All recipients will be required to attend the entire meeting, work in the Diversity Committee’s exhibit booth, and participate in the Diversity Lunch Symposium (11 July, 12–1:30 pm), where Clayton Yates, PhD from Tuskegee University will be the speaker.

Each trainee applicant must submit a completed application, a recommendation letter from her/his mentor, and an unofficial transcript (with completed courses and grades) demonstrating a training emphasis in the biological sciences and reproductive biology. Each junior faculty applicant must provide a completed application and a biographical sketch (two-page maximum).

Every applicant must confirm his/her commitment to participating in the meeting events described above by signing the statement at the end of this application form.

SELECTION CRITERIA

In accordance with the following criteria, the members of the SSR Diversity Committee will evaluate all complete applications received by **31 Oct 2018**:

Each applicant will be ranked on the basis of her/his responses to the questions posed in the application, coursework and letters (for trainees), biographical sketch (for junior faculty), and demonstrated commitment to the field of reproductive biology. Eligible applicants attending or teaching at minority-serving institutions (e.g., Hispanic-serving institutions, historically black colleges or universities, or tribal colleges) or non-research-intensive institutions will be given preference in an effort to increase awareness and extend the outreach of the Society for the Study of Reproduction. Preference will be given to applicants who have not previously received a Burroughs Wellcome Travel Fellowship.

TRAINEE APPLICATION — DEADLINE: 15 May 2018

Name: _____

Degree(s) (e.g., PhD, MD, DVM, MS, BS): _____

Race/Ethnicity (please indicate):

- Alaskan Native
- Pacific Islander (Hawaii or Guam)
- Black/African American
- Hispanic
- Chicano
- Latino
- Other (specify)
- Native American (specify tribe and include copy of tribal certificate)_____

Citizenship: Citizen of Canada: _____ Citizen of USA: _____
 Permanent Resident of US (provide copy of green card) _____
 Permanent Resident of Canada: _____

Address and Contact Information

Institution: _____
 Department: _____
 Street: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____
 Zip/Postal code: _____
 E-mail: _____
 Telephone: _____
 Fax: _____

Type of Institution (check more than one if applicable):

- R1 Research University (baccalaureate, masters, doctoral/professional)
- Comprehensive (baccalaureate, masters)
- Liberal Arts College (primarily baccalaureate)
- Hispanic-serving institution
- Historically Black College or University
- Tribal College
- Other (specify)_____

Please provide a brief description of your research interests (< 200 words):

Please provide a brief description of your career goals (< 100 words):

What do you hope to gain from attending the SSR Annual Meeting (< 100 words)?

What do you hope to gain from attending the Diversity Symposium (< 100 words)?

Please attach an unofficial transcript (with completed courses and grades) and a recommendation letter from your mentor.

I confirm that if I receive a Burroughs Wellcome Trainee Travel Fellowship I will attend the entire SSR Annual Meeting, 9 - 13 July 2017, at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside, in New Orleans, Louisiana; participate in the Diversity Lunch Symposium; and work two hours at the Diversity Committee’s exhibit booth during the meeting. Additionally, I understand that accepting the award will preclude me from accepting other travel awards. I will participate in a post-meeting survey and provide a thank-you letter to the Burroughs Wellcome Fund fellowship sponsors.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

From your mentor:

I confirm that _____ is a student trainee in the _____ department at _____, under my supervision.

Mentor’s Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mentor’s Name (print/type): _____

Please submit the completed application by email, fax, or post to:

Olga Bolden-Tiller, Ph.D.
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1200 West Montgomery Road
103 Mary Starke Harper Hall
Tuskegee, AL 36088

Phone: 334-727-8403
Fax: 334-727-8852
Email: oboldentiller@tuskegee.edu

JUNIOR FACULTY APPLICATION — DEADLINE: 15 May 2018

Name: _____

Degree(s) (e.g., PhD, MD, DVM, MS): _____

Race/Ethnicity (please indicate):

- Alaskan Native
- Pacific Islander (Hawaii or Guam)
- Black/African American
- Hispanic
- Chicano
- Latino
- Other (specify) _____
- Native American (specify tribe and include copy of tribal certificate) _____

Citizenship: Citizen of Canada: _____ Citizen of USA: _____
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 Permanent Resident of Canada: _____

Address

Institution: _____
 Department: _____
 Street: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____
 Zip/Postal code: _____
 E-mail: _____
 Telephone: _____
 Fax: _____

Type of Institution (check more than one if applicable):

- R1 Research University (baccalaureate, masters doctoral)
- Comprehensive (baccalaureate, masters)
- Liberal Arts College (primarily baccalaureate)
- Hispanic Serving Institution
- Historically Black College or University
- Tribal College
- Other (specify) _____

Please provide a brief description of your research interests (< 200 words):

Please provide a brief description of your career goals (< 100 words):

What do you hope to gain from attending the SSR Annual Meeting (< 100 words)?

What do you hope to gain from attending the Diversity Lunch Symposium (< 100 words)?

Please describe how your students would benefit from your attending the meeting (< 100 words).

Please attach a biographical sketch (maximum of two pages).

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**I confirm that if I receive a Burroughs Wellcome Junior Faculty Travel Fellowship I will attend the entire SSR Annual Meeting, 9–13 July 2017, at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside, in New Orleans, Louisiana, participate in the Diversity Lunch Symposium, and work two hours at the Diversity Committee’s exhibit booth during the meeting. Additionally, I understand that accepting the award will preclude me from accepting other travel awards. I will participate in a post-meeting survey and provide a thank-you letter to the Burroughs Wellcome Fund fellowship sponsors.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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