

2027 Emerging Researchers National (ERN) Conference in STEM

Travel Award Criteria and Eligibility

The Emerging Researchers National (ERN) Conference in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) is hosted by the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), Center for STEMM Education and Workforce (CSEW) Programs and the National Science Foundation (NSF) Directorate for STEM Education (EDU).

Overview

The Emerging Researchers National (ERN) Conference in STEM Student Travel Award provides funding to support a limited number of students selected for poster or oral presentations.

Students should check with their advisor to determine whether they should apply.

- **Application Window:** **Opens: August 3, 2026, Closes: August 21, 2026 at 11:59 pm EST**
- **Notifications regarding Travel Award acceptance will be emailed during the week of October 12th.**

Travel Stipend

The award solely covers conference registration, hotel accommodations, airfare, and ground transportation for selected recipients.

Review Process

All applications are reviewed and evaluated based on two criteria:

1. Academic achievement
2. STEM career interest

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for an ERN Travel Award, applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

A. Program Participation

Applicants must be undergraduate or graduate students participating in research or education projects funded by a federally-funded program (particularly an NSF program - <https://www.nsf.gov/edu/programs>) or in an ERN working group.

- **B. Citizenship/Residency**

Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

C. Presentation Status

Applicants must be accepted to present a poster or oral presentation at the current ERN Conference in STEM. To review abstract submission guidelines, visit: <https://emerging-researchers.org/abstract-submissions/>