



CSUPERB Announces 19 Travel Grant Awards to CSU Students and Faculty at 11 Campuses

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CSUPERB is pleased to announce the spring 2019 round of travel grant awards. Overall CSUPERB is making 19 awards totaling \$28,481 to CSU faculty and students at 11 CSU campuses.

Awards were made as part of the competitive faculty and student travel grant programs. CSUPERB reviewed 58 proposals from students and faculty at 12 different CSU campuses. Averaged across the two programs, awards were made to 31% of the proposals received. Individual awards are listed in alphabetical order below.

Student Travel Grant Awards

The opportunity to present research results, participate in workshops or collect research data is crucial to biotechnology students' professional development. The CSUPERB Student Travel Grant Program supports CSU student travel to biotechnology-related professional meetings and workshops or to collect biotechnology-related data at shared instrumentation facilities or research sites. CSUPERB reviewed 39 student applications from 10 campuses.

Twelve Student Travel Grants were approved for funding:

1. **John Burdick** (Chemistry and Biochemistry, California State University, Long Beach)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Protein Society Annual Symposium (6/29/2019 to 7/3/2019) in Seattle, Washington.
2. **Morgan Farrell** (Biology, San Francisco State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to collect research data (5/1/2019 to 9/1/2019) in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic.
3. **Cameron Geller** (Biology, California State University, Northridge)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the 2019 American Society for Cell Biology (ASCB) and European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO) Annual Meeting (12/7/2019 to 12/11/2019) in Washington, D.C.
4. **Anjum Gujral** (Biological Sciences, San José State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Botanical Society of America 2019 Meeting (7/27/2019 to 7/31/2019) in Tucson, Arizona.
5. **Tess Hernandez** (Chemistry, California State University, Fresno)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the American Chemical Society National Meeting (8/24/2019 to 8/30/2019) in San Diego, California.

6. **Subrajaa Manohar** (Biology, California State University, Northridge)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the 78th Annual Meeting of the Society for Developmental Biology (7/26/2019 to 7/31/2019) in Boston, Massachusetts.
7. **Melissa Naugle** (Environmental Science, California State University, Monterey Bay)
Award: \$1500 for travel to collect research data at the Coral Sample Collection (8/5/2019 to 8/19/2019) in Pago Pago, American Samoa.
8. **Rachna Pannu** (Biology, San Francisco State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Archaea: Ecology, Metabolism and Molecular Biology Conference (7/20/2019 to 7/26/2019) in Les Diablerets, Switzerland.
9. **Shawn Richmond** (Biological Sciences, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo)
Award: \$1500 for travel to collect research data at the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences (7/1/2019 to 7/15/2019) in Buffalo, New York.
10. **Francesca Sanchez** (Biology, California State University, Northridge)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the 2019 American Society for Cell Biology (ASCB) and European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO) Annual Meeting. (12/7/2019 to 12/11/2019) in Washington, D.C.
11. **Victoria Tafuri** (Chemistry, San José State University)
Award: \$1495 for travel to present research at the American Chemical Society National Meeting and Exposition (8/25/2019 to 8/29/2019) in San Diego, CA.
12. **Joseph Zailaa** (Biological Sciences, California State University, Los Angeles)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in the Sciences (10/31/2019 to 11/2/2019) in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Faculty Travel Grant Awards

CSUPERB recognizes that opportunities to present research and project results are crucial to professional career development. The CSUPERB Faculty Travel Grant Program supports CSU faculty travel to biotechnology-related professional meetings and workshops or to collect biotechnology-related data at shared instrumentation facilities or research sites. CSUPERB reviewed 19 faculty applications from 9 campuses.

Seven Faculty Travel Grants were approved for funding:

1. **Johannes Bauer** (Chemistry, California State University, Sacramento)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the 61st Annual Drosophila Research Conference (4/22/2020 to 4/26/2020) in Washington, D.C.
2. **Yoshie Hanzawa** (Biology, California State University, Northridge)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Annual Meeting of American Society for Plant Biologists (8/3/2019 to 8/8/2019) in San José, California.

3. **Alison Haupt** (School of Natural Sciences, California State University, Monterey Bay)
Award: \$1500 for travel to participate in a workshop at the ConGen Population Genomics and Conservation Genetics Course (9/8/2019 to 9/13/2019) in Flathead, Montana.
4. **Tom Huxford** (Chemistry and Biochemistry, San Diego State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the Cold Spring Harbor Asia Conference on NF-kappaB, JAK-STAT & MAPK in Health, Disease & Therapy (10/5/2019 to 10/11/2019) in Suzhou, China.
5. **Matthew Leineweber** (Biomedical Engineering, San José State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the International Society of Biomechanics (ISB) & American Society of Biomechanics Joint Meeting 2019 (7/31/2019 to 8/3/2019) in Calgary, Canada.
6. **Thomas Savage** (Chemistry, California State University, Sacramento)
Award: \$1486 for travel to present research at the TERPNET 2019: The 14th International Meeting on the Biosynthesis, Function and Synthetic Biology of Isoprenoids (8/26/2019 to 9/2/2019) in Halle, Germany.
7. **Philip Vieira** (Psychology, California State University, Dominguez Hills)
Award: \$1500 for travel to participate in a workshop at the Marine Biological Laboratory Neural Systems and Behavior Course (7/1/2019 to 7/28/2019) in Woods Hole, Massachusetts.

For more information about these grant programs, see the CSUPERB website (<https://www2.calstate.edu/impact-of-the-csu/research/csuperb/Pages/grants-and-awards-programs.aspx>) or contact Susan Baxter, Executive Director, CSUPERB (sbaxter@sdsu.edu). The database of CSUPERB grant awards can be searched at: <http://csuperb.org/grants/database/>. Program impacts, including student outcomes and annual reports, can be found at the program dashboard: <https://csuperb.org/grants/csuperb-data-dashboard/>.