

CSUPERB Announces 7 Travel Grant Awards to CSU Students and Faculty at 5 Campuses

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CSUPERB is pleased to announce the fall 2020 round of travel grant awards. Overall CSUPERB is making 7 awards totaling \$10,385 to CSU faculty and students at 5 CSU campuses.

Applications and awards to the program were impacted this round by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic but CSUPERB was still able to provide support for faculty and students planning future travel to present research results, collect research data and attend workshops.

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 5 student applications from 4 campuses.

Five Student Travel Grants were approved for funding:

1. **Citalli Aquino** (Interdisciplinary Marine and Estuarine Sciences, San Francisco State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to conduct research at various locations (01/07/2021 to 01/16/21) in California.
2. **Elizabeth Avila** (Kinesiology, California State University, Long Beach)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the XXVIII Congress of the International Society of Biomechanics (07/25/21 to 07/29/21) in Stockholm, Sweden.
3. **Anaya Blade** (Biomedical Engineering, California State University, Long Beach)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the XXVIII Congress of the International Society of Biomechanics (07/24/21 to 07/30/21) in Stockholm, Sweden.
4. **Xiaofeng Xu** (Biology, San Diego State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting (12/13/21 to 12/17/21) in New Orleans, Louisiana.
5. **Jianmin Zhong** (Biological Sciences, Humboldt State University)
Award: \$1500 for travel to conduct research at The Centers for Disease Control (03/13/2021 to 03/23/21) in Atlanta, Georgia.

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 2 faculty applications from 2 campuses.

Two Faculty Travel Grants were approved for funding:

1. **Kalyani Maitra** (Chemistry, California State University, Fresno)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the 10th International Conference on Algal Biomass, Biofuels and Bioproducts (06/14/21 to 06/16/2021) in Big Island, Hawaii.
2. **Kevin Valenzuela** (Kinesiology, California State University, Long Beach)
Award: \$1500 for travel to present research at the XXVIII Congress of the International Society of Biomechanics (07/24/21 to 07/29/21) in Stockholm, Sweden.

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 Bianca Mothé, Interim Executive Director, CSUPERB (bmothe@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/>.