



2017 Diversity Travel Scholarship

The Rural Sociological Society (RSS) and the Committee on Diversity are pleased to announce that travel scholarships are available to support the attendance and participation of minority participants at the annual conference to be held in Columbus, Ohio. These scholarships will be awarded on a competitive basis and are meant to assist participants in defraying costs associated with attending the RSS meeting.

We anticipate granting scholarships at the minimum amount of \$500 per recipient or at a maximum amount of \$750; however, the amount of funds and the number of scholarships may fluctuate depending on the number of applications and the need described therein.

Eligibility and Application Requirements

To be eligible for the scholarship, an applicant must be:

- An active participant of the meeting (student, faculty, researcher) by presenting a paper during a paper session or roundtable, or presenting a poster on research.

In addition, for students:

- A student pursuing a degree relevant to rural studies in an academic institution.
- A student member of the Rural Sociological Society at the time of receiving the scholarship.

To apply, an applicant must submit:

- A completed Travel Scholarship Application (see below)

In addition, for students:

- A letter of support or recommendation from a faculty member or department chair.

Completed applications should be submitted via e-mail to Stephanie Teixeira-Poit (steixeira@rti.org) not later than **Sunday, February 12, 2017, 11:59 pm (EST)**.

The Diversity Committee will make selections and announce decisions by March 31, 2017. No part of the application may be submitted by fax and only applications from individuals on their own behalf will be accepted.



Diversity Travel Scholarship 2017 Application

Name: _____
 First MI Last

Mailing Address: _____

 City State/province Zip Country

Telephone Numbers:

Home: _____ Office/Cell: _____

Email Address: _____

Do you represent one of the following?

Immigrant_____African American_____Asian American_____

Native/Alaskan Native____Other_____

What institution are you representing? _____

Student_____Faculty_____Other_____

Use Word format if more space is needed to answer following:

Please list the title of your presentation or session at the annual meeting and the nature of your role (e.g., author or coauthor, discussant, workshop leader, panelist, etc.):

How much financial support for attending the annual meeting can you expect to receive from your institution?

Please state any financial hardships that you may have that would preclude you from participating at the annual meeting.

Finally, please state what potential benefits you will garner from participating in the meetings.