



ELIBILITY:

Current Undergraduate students (within 14 months post-undergraduate degree at the time of the meeting) who are:

- From an under-represented racial/ethnic group: African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, and Latino (STEM guidelines)
- LGBTQ individuals
- Individuals with a disability(ies)
- From a disadvantaged background

UDTA includes up to \$2,000 reimbursement (PDFs of original receipts required) or waiver of the following expenses:

- RSA Meeting registration fee – waived with provided discount code
- RSA abstract publication fee – refunded post-award notification
- Taxi or rideshare services, excludes car rental and premium services
- Airfare (economy class or equivalent)
- Airport parking (5 days maximum)
- Lodging (5 days maximum at an RSA contracted hotel(s); one-half room fees and taxes)
- Meal per diem (\$50/day, 5 days maximum)

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS/PROCESS:

- Poster abstract submitted by deadline.
- Abstracts are reviewed, scored, and the awardees are chosen by the RSA Distinguished Travel Award Committee.
- Award notifications to be sent via email in March.

NOTE: Applicants may also apply for a Student Merit Award; however, applicants will be required to be presenting author. Any individual selected to receive both a Distinguished Travel Award **and** a Student Merit Travel Award shall receive only the Distinguished Travel Award funds.

Before you begin, be sure to have the following materials ready for inclusion:

IMPORTANT: You **MUST** have your Abstract ID number from the **current meeting year** for your Poster Abstract of the Annual RSA Scientific Meeting.

1. Cover Letter - Please describe your reasons for applying for this award and your financial need. (PDF format for file upload)
2. Academic Curriculum Vitae (CV) - in PDF format for file upload.
3. Letter of Recommendation - in PDF format for file upload. Letter should be from your mentor, advisor or an individual familiar with your work at your current institution, confirming your status as an undergraduate student.
4. Your abstract – as submitted to RSA for poster presentation in the current meeting year, in PDF format for file upload.