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Submission deadline: *Closed*

The SVS Foundation Student Research Fellowship stimulates laboratory and clinical vascular research by undergraduate college students and medical school students registered at universities in the United States and Canada.

The intent of the fellowship award is to further the student's education and introduce the student to the application of rigorous scientific methods to clinical problems and underlying biologic processes important to patients with vascular disease.

Successful applications are hypothesis-focused and achievable in the research period proposed. Projects supported by this award include basic science and translational research conducted by a vascular surgeon-scientist mentor as well as clinical research projects conducted under the auspices of a mentor experienced in clinical research.

Each fellowship consists of a \$3,000 award and a two-year complimentary subscription to the *Journal of Vascular Surgery*.

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Time Period

The award is designed for students to spend a meaningful period of time on a project either in a block of several months or spread out over a longer period of time, not to exceed 12 months. The minimum full-time commitment is two months.

Work Site

The application should include the institution (school, hospital, or research facility) where the student project will be conducted. The student must be enrolled in a university in Canada or the United States and sponsored by a SVS member. Students enrolled in combined MD/PhD programs may not submit a proposal for research that is a component of the degree process.

SVS Member Sponsor Responsibility

The SVS member who sponsors the student is expected to supervise the research project during the scholarship period. All scholarships are awarded with the understanding that the sponsoring SVS member accepts full responsibility for the project and the completion of a final report at the conclusion of the project. This responsibility also includes assisting with the experimental design designated in the application. An individual SVS member may sponsor only one student application per year. Residents and fellows may not sponsor a student.

Application Process

SVS Foundation is invested in a process that assures diversity, equity and inclusion for our award and scholarship opportunities. We encourage enthusiastic, eligible applicants from all aspects of gender, sexual orientation, and ethnicity to apply.

The application deadline is **February 1**. Decisions regarding the award are sent to applicants in **April**. Awardees receive award checks in **May**.

An Application Form must be completed and the following materials in PDF format must be uploaded via the **online application submission site**. Applications may be rejected if formatting requirements are not followed or application is incomplete.

- Application Form includes:
 - Student name, contact information, and status
 - Project title
 - Project type – basic science, translational science or clinical research
 - Project time period
 - SVS Member Sponsor name and contact information
 - Institution where research is taking place
- Research plan and specific aim of proposed project
 - Not to exceed 5 pages, not including references (12 point font with 1-inch margins)
 - Include sections on **Background**, **Aim** and **Hypothesis** and **Research Techniques**
 - The specific aspects of research to be performed by the student should be the focus of the research plan and include what the student expects to gain from the project
 - If the student is performing a specific technical aspect of a complex experiment, describe those components specifically.
 - If the project is a component of a larger scientific endeavor, include information regarding the larger project as *Context for Student Project* as part of the **Background** section.
- Student's Curriculum Vitae
- SVS Member Sponsor's NIH Biosketch or Curriculum Vitae
- Letter of support for the student from SVS Member Sponsor. The letter should include:
 - A brief review of the scientific resources available to the student such as statistical support, laboratory personnel who will interact with the student and their role in the project, and any other support that will ensure that the student is able to perform the tasks in the timeframe allotted
 - A list of other trainees (students and residents) who have been personally trained by the SVS Member

Sponsor in the past 10 years

Final Report

At the completion of the project, a report (approximately 1,500 words) that includes the information listed below should be submitted by the student and the sponsoring SVS member to the Basic and Translational Research Committee. Send to: SVSFoundation@vascularsociety.org

1. Briefly summarize the background and reasons for undertaking the project.
2. Restate the aim(s) of the project and describe the results. If more than one specific aim, organize results by aim.
3. Outline the time spent with the SVS member mentor.
4. If applicable, describe any plans to continue the project or related projects.
5. If applicable, list any publications or presentations that came about as a result of receiving the fellowship.
6. Describe the impact of the fellowship, in particular to education and career. Include future training plans, either in vascular surgery or other training paradigm(s).

Contact

For questions, email SVSFoundation@vascularsociety.org or telephone 800-258-7188.