



IBiS

INTERDISCIPLINARY BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES PROGRAM

IBiS CAREER SUPPORT GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT

IBiS offers all PhD students a taxable grant for qualified short-term dependent care expenses incurred when travelling to professional meetings, conferences, workshops, and professional development opportunities. Applicants must be presenting a poster or presentation to qualify for this grant.

The grant will be funded at a level intended to provide full compensation for approved incremental expenses, up to a maximum of \$1000 per academic year (defined as September 1-August 31). Grants will be administered as a reimbursement, and will be paid as additional compensation, considered taxable income, and included in the monthly paycheck. Payments will be grossed up to cover the applicable taxes, but other deductions may still apply.

Grant funds may be used for either child or adult dependent care in order to cover expenses incurred for:

- Extra dependent care at home while the recipient is traveling to present their research
- On-site dependent care while at a conference or meeting
- Transportation of dependent or caregiver to a conference or meeting location

*Appropriate documentation must be submitted in order to receive compensation.

Application materials

1. Completed IBiS Career Support Grant Application
2. A detailed budget noting anticipated expenses associated with the request. This should include a description of the planned care (the provider's name, the provider's relationship to the applicant, the location of the care, hourly cost, etc.), as well as information about travel and accommodations for the dependent(s) (and possibly the caregiver) if relevant to the budget.

Selection

Decisions will be made on a rolling basis, as time permits.

All materials are to be submitted to Sarah Cowles at sarah.cowles@northwestern.edu.