



Midwestern Criminal Justice Association

Graduate Student Travel Scholarship

The Midwestern Criminal Justice Association (MCJA) is pleased to announce a call for applications for its Graduate Student Travel Scholarship (GSTS). The GSTS provides funding to offset the costs of select graduate students attending the MCJA Annual Meeting.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Current graduate student (i.e., Master's or Ph.D. level) enrolled in at least one (1) graduate credit hour at an accredited institution of higher education in the Fall semester/term of the Annual Meeting
 - Eligibility is limited to students who have completed their bachelor's degree and are formally enrolled in a graduate program at the time of the conference; students who are in accelerated or combined bachelor's/master's programs are not eligible *prior to* their bachelor's degree being conferred
- Must attend MCJA Annual Meeting to be held September
- Must be the lead presenter on paper/poster submitted for the Annual Meeting; the student does not have to be listed as the first author
- **No** prior receipt of the GSTS during the two (2) Annual Meetings immediately preceding the upcoming Annual Meeting

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Applications must be submitted by the graduate student. To apply, please submit:

- Completed application form
- Proof of graduate student status (e.g., copy of enrolled courses, transcripts, or email from a faculty member verifying you are enrolled in at least one [1] graduate credit hour during the conference semester; screenshots that include student name, semester/term, & enrollment status are acceptable)
- Completed applications should be sent to mcja@mcja.org with "Graduate Student Travel Scholarship" in the subject line
- Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered

DEADLINES

- Application should be submitted no later than **July 15th**
- The Executive Board will notify awardees on or around **August 1st**

AWARDS AND DISTRIBUTION

- MCJA anticipates up to four (4) GSTS awards of \$500 each will be made
- Award decisions will consider the overall applicant pool, including representation across degree programs (i.e., Master's & Ph.D. level) as well as institutions; MCJA reserves the right to grant fewer or no GSTS awards based on the applicant pool and available funding
- Recipients **must** present their poster/paper presentation at the MCJA Annual Meeting
- Recipients are **required** to attend the MCJA Annual Meeting's *General Business Meeting*, where they will receive their awards