

CS Department Student Conference Travel Funding Support Policy

The Computer Science department has limited funds (\$4,000 per year tentatively) to support full-time students in the department to present papers in the Computer Science research conferences (and to potentially help the department to recruit graduate students in the conferences). Pending the availability of funds, the department will provide support based on the type of conferences:

- Top tier CS research conference (See the list of top-tier conferences published by the department).
Amount: up to \$1200.
- Highly competitive CS research conference (the average acceptance rate in the past three years is less than 25%)
Amount: up to \$800.
- Competitive CS research conference (the average acceptance rate in the past three years is less than 40%)
Amount: up to \$400.
- Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing, paper or poster.
Amount: up to \$500. Note: the department will support one student to attend the Grace Hopper conference to recruit female students for the department if there is no presenter in that year.

The fund should only be used to cover the conference/travel expenses for presenting the paper. To qualify for the support, the following criteria must also be met:

- The conference must be a reputable national or international Computer Science research conference or symposium. The paper must be accepted as a full paper (short papers in top-tier conferences may be considered; posters will not).
- The student must be a current full-time student in the CS Department.
- The student must be the first author.
- The student must be the presenter.
- If the research is funded in part by a research project outside the department, it must also be funded in part by a research project in the department.
- The student must apply for travel support from the university and the conference travel grant if available. The proofs of application/decision are required to receive the departmental support. The expenses will be covered by other funds first before the departmental fund is used.
- If requested by the department, the student must bring and distribute departmental student recruiting materials in the conference.
- If requested by the department, the student must try in good faith to present the talk in the department.

To apply, send an email with the following information to the Chair: full citation of the paper (authors as they appear in the publication, title, conference, date, etc), the proof that the paper has been accepted for publication and presentation, conference acceptance rates for the past three years if not a top-tier conference.