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## IUIS/AAI AWARDS SUMMER COURSES in IMMUNOLOGY

The IUIS Education (EDU) and Gender Equality and Career Development (GEC) Committees and the American Association of Immunologists (AAI) are pleased to announce their continued co-sponsorship of **8 awards** (4/course) for trainees from the developing world to attend the AAI Summer Courses in IMMUNOLOGY. The awards will cover course registration and associated expenses. *A list of eligible countries can be found at the end of this announcement.*

The 2021 course will be held:

- The AAI Introductory Course in Immunology, July 12 - 17, 2021
- The AAI Advanced Course in Immunology, July 25 - 30, 2021

**THE 2021 COURSES WILL BE HELD IN VIRTUAL FORMAT FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL PARTICIPANTS.**

Preliminary information can be viewed on the AAI website (<http://www.aai.org/Education/Courses>). Complete information, including schedules and registration information, will be posted on the website in March 2021.

**The Introductory Course** is an intensive two-part course taught by world-renowned immunologists who provide a comprehensive overview of the basics of immunology. This course is for students or established scientists new to the discipline or those seeking more information to complement general biology or science training.

**The Advanced Course** is directed towards advanced trainees and established scientists who wish to expand their knowledge of the field. Leading experts will present recent advances in the biology of the immune

system and its role in health and disease. This is not an introductory course. All participants need to have a firm understanding of the principles of Immunology and experience conducting research.

AAI will provide registration for the 8 attendees. The IUIS will provide support for any other associated expenses (e.g., internet connections) to a maximum of \$100 US. *Additional expenses will be the responsibility of the attendee.*

The IUIS Education Committee will evaluate applications, perform an initial selection of awardees, and submit proposed candidates to AAI and the GEC committee for final review and approval. Once the selected candidates are informed, AAI will assist them with registration. Both AAI and IUIS will send the selected candidates a letter of invitation.

Please note that per AAI policy, this should be an applicant's first experience with AAI courses. Previous course attendees or IUIS/AAI awardees will not be considered. Preference will also be given to applicants who have NOT previously studied or had a substantial research experience in other developed countries (e.g., Great Britain, Germany, France, Australia, etc.). Successful candidates must be conducting research and residing in a developing country; they cannot, for example, come from a developing nation but reside and work in a developed country.

To apply for these travel awards, please send:

- 1) your curriculum vitae (3 pages maximum)
- 2) a letter describing your research and why you would benefit from this course
- 3) previous educational or research experiences in the US, and any AAI Summer Courses in Immunology you have taken (year and course)
- 4) the name and email address of a supervisor or mentor who will be providing a letter of reference for you. *They must send this letter of reference by email to Dr. Bishop ([gail-bishop@uiowa.edu](mailto:gail-bishop@uiowa.edu)) independently of the other application items.*

APPLICATIONS MISSING ANY OF THESE FOUR ELEMENTS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED. Send all this information by email to Dr. Gail Bishop. <[gail-bishop@uiowa.edu](mailto:gail-bishop@uiowa.edu)>. Dr. Bishop, a member of the IUIS Education Committee, will be responsible for the review process with this committee.

All applications for the INTRODUCTORY course should be received **prior to Noon, US Central time, on March 12, 2021**, and for the ADVANCED course **prior to Noon, US Central time on April 2, 2021**. Applications received or incomplete after this time will not be considered.

PLEASE NOTE: *Only the candidates selected for awards will be notified*, by April 12 (Introductory) or May 2, 2021 (Advanced). **If you are not notified by these dates, we are unfortunately not able to offer you an award in 2021. Due to the substantial number of applications and limited staff, we are not able to provide individual feedback.**

Eligible countries for applicants:

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bosnia/Herzegovnia, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Chad, China, Colombia, Comoros, Republic of Congo, Costa Rica, Cote d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Arab Republic of Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, The Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kiribati, Kosovo, Kyrgyz Republic, Lao PDR, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mexico, Federated States of Micronesia, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, N. Macedonia, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Rwanda, Samoa, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Sri Lanka, St. Lucia, St. Vincent & Grenadines, Suriname, Swaziland, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tonga, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, Uganda, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Vietnam, West Bank & Gaza, Zambia.