

Submission of Application Materials for Division 44 Committee on Bisexual Issues Student Travel Award

The Division 44 Committee on Bisexual Issues announces its annual Student Travel Award. The purpose of the Committee on Bisexual Issues Student Travel Award is to support graduate student engagement with LGBTQ psychology by defraying travel costs to the American Psychological Association (APA) Convention. Through this award, the Committee on Bisexual Issues also hopes to encourage LGBTQ graduate student participation in the Division 44 annual convention activities (e.g., the Committee on Bisexual Issues Discussion Hour and other programming in the Hospitality Suite).

Graduate students who (a) self-identify as LGBTQ/sexual or gender minority, (b) demonstrate a strong commitment to LGBTQ issues, (c) plan to attend this year's APA Convention, and (d) will be enrolled as graduate students at the time of the Convention are eligible to apply. Students who identify as bisexual and/or engage in scholarship about bisexuality are especially encouraged to apply. Additionally, LGBTQ students who are presenting at the convention are also especially encouraged to apply, though all applications will be considered. One student travel award in the amount of \$500 will be granted. Materials (listed below) must be submitted electronically to Committee Co-Chair, Chris Davids (cdavids@westminstercollege.edu):

Personal Statement

Please submit a personal statement (500-800 words) that addresses each of the following questions: (a) In what ways does your graduate program benefit from your self-identification and involvement as an LGBTQ/sexual or gender minority person? How does APA benefit from your participation in professional activities as an LGBTQ/sexual or gender minority person? (b) What unique challenges might LGBTQ/sexual or gender minority graduate students such as yourself face that may hinder participation in APA/Convention? (c) How would participating the APA Annual Convention further your career goals? (d) Are you presenting at the APA Annual Convention? If so, how will it contribute to the body of contributions.

Curriculum Vitae

Letter of Recommendation

Please have a faculty member electronically submit a letter in support of you receiving the Division 44 Committee on Bisexual Issues Student Travel Award to Chris Davids (cdavids@westminstercollege.edu). **Faculty members are asked to address the applicant's commitment to LGBTQ issues in academic and other domains, address the potential benefits of attending Convention for the student and confirm that they are a current graduate student in psychology.**

Application Form (Below)

Inquiries about the award may be directed to the Committee Co-Chairs Chris Davids (cdavids@westminstercollege.edu) or Laurel Watson (watsonlb@umkc.edu).

Division 44 – Society for the Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity
Committee on Bisexual Issues Student Travel Award Application Form

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Graduate School: _____

Specialization within
Graduate Program (if applicable) _____

Degree Sought: _____

Year in School (as of August this year): _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

Enrolled in grad school in August? (Y/N) _____ Attending APA Convention?
(Y/N) _____

Are you planning to present at the APA Convention? (Y/N) _____

If so, has your proposal(s) been accepted for the APA Convention (Y/N) _____

In what format will you present at the APA Convention (poster, symposium, etc.)? _____

What is the title(s) of your
presentation(s)? _____

I certify that all of the application materials for the Division 44 Committee Bisexual Issues Student Travel Award submitted by me are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any significant misstatement in, or omission from, this application may be cause for denial of selection or revocation of the travel grant. I authorize representatives from the Division 44 Committee Bisexual Issues to consult with the author of my letter of recommendation. I release from liability all Division 44 representatives for acts performed in good faith and without malice in connection with evaluating my application materials.

I further understand that it is my responsibility to inform the Division 44 Committee Bisexual Issues of any changes in my status with my academic program, plans to attend the APA Annual Convention, or plans to present any research at the convention that may occur prior to the APA Annual Convention.

If I am awarded the Division 44 Committee Bisexual Issues Student Travel Award, I agree to the use of my name and photographic likeness in Division 44 materials including, but not limited to, website, newsletters, brochures, etc.

Applicant's Electronic Signature: _____

Date: _____