PhD/MFA First Conference Guarantee Scholarships

**Description**
The School of Human Ecology Graduate Program is offering travel awards to first-year MFA and PhD graduate students. The purpose of the support is to encourage participation in professional development, scholarly research, and/or creative endeavor and to help cover expenses not covered by other sources. Students may receive a **maximum award of $500 for travel** to support conference participation in a single academic year—September 1 to August 31.

**Eligibility**
- First-year MFA and PhD students

**Open Application Periods**
- **September 15 – December 15:** For conferences occurring between July 15 (past) and February 15 (future*)
- **January 15 – May 15:** For conferences occurring between December 15 (past) and August 15 (future*)

*Students receiving a scholarship award for a future conference: Acceptance of a Travel Scholarship offer affirms your agreement to repay your scholarship to the University within 30 days of the conference date if you do not attend the conference.*

**Required Applications Materials**
1. Conference name, date, and location
2. Total travel cost estimates: registration, travel, lodging, meals, and other expenses
3. Travel amount requested

**Additional Instructions**
Students may request up to $500 for conference travel but are encouraged to apply for less support if that is sufficient.

**Applications must be submitted during the Open Application Periods listed above. Materials should be submitted via the Wisconsin Scholarship Hub:** [https://wisc.academicworks.com/users/sign_in](https://wisc.academicworks.com/users/sign_in)