

Junior Scientist International Exchange Awards

Applications accepted year-round

Overview: The proposed research must fall within the current interdisciplinary focus of ICAM: quantum matter, soft matter, biological matter, or emergent materials in energy. We anticipate making up to 20 awards this fiscal year. One or two awards per year are available to applicants from non-ICAM branches in the U.S. traveling to an ICAM branch abroad. Another 1-2 awards per year are set aside for applicants from an emerging nation (a non-ICAM branch) to travel to an ICAM branch in the U.S.

There are two application tracks: Track I is applicant driven and Track II is mentor driven.

1. Who is eligible?

Undergrad, graduate students and postdoctoral researchers from an ICAM member branch in the U.S. who travel to another ICAM branch abroad to perform collaborative research.

2. The application and selection process

Processing an application typically takes a few weeks, longer if it is incomplete and recommendation letters are not submitted. Applicant should also allow months to obtain their Visa.

3. Terms of the award

- Exchange awards are travel awards for an extended period of time, typically 2-12 months. As such they reimburse the traveler for airfare, meals and incidentals, and lodging per diems at a rate determined by the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov) based on the host locale.
- Funds are awarded directly to and disbursed by your host institution.
- Host institutions may not charge indirect costs on these funds.
- In the case of a mentor-based award, the applicant must be approved by the ICAM Director prior to the announcement to ensure eligibility and to prevent duplication or overlap of awards.

4. Reporting and Outreach Responsibilities of Awardee

- Write a brief (1-2 page) report outlining the research and collaborative results of your travel exchange. Collaborations developed during or because of your visit should be detailed as this is the purpose of the award.
- Submit articles to the ICAM-IPEDIA website.
- Submit any publications (from preprint to final) that resulted from this exchange award.
- Acknowledge the U.S. National Science Foundation International Materials Institute DMR-0844115 in all publications and presentations.
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