

Guidelines for Applicants for the ISCB Student Conference Award

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE:

Applications should consist of the following:

- (a) A short abstract of the paper prepared according to the ISCB standard conference format.
- (b) A summary of the paper of no more than 3 double-spaced pages of 12-point text with a maximum of three figures or tables on additional pages. The summary must be in blinded format, i.e., any indication of the student or further authors should not be included.
- (c) A letter from the student's supervisor, on official letterhead of the student's institution, confirming that the student is registered for a postgraduate degree, and that the paper to be presented is original, not previously published, and is predominantly the student's own work. If the manuscript is co-authored, this letter should also include an indication of the level of involvement of the various authors.

Files containing the above should be uploaded via the conference abstract handling system through the website: <http://iscb2023.onlinecongress.it/ISCB44/scientific>

Any applications submitted after the due date or incomplete or applications not adhering to the procedures above will not be considered.

REVIEW:

- a) Applications will be judged by the StCA Subcommittee, and applicants will be notified of the results as soon as possible, usually within six weeks of the application submission due date. Evaluation of applications will concern the quality of the research described and its relevance to the application of statistics to clinical and epidemiological research. The presentation of the application materials and the interest of the work to the ISCB members will be taken into consideration. The decisions made by the Subcommittee will be final.
- b) In selecting papers for Awards, each member of the StCA Subcommittee will independently grade each paper submitted. In the case of ties in total grades, the Subcommittee will make the final selection through discussion.
- c) Members of the StCA Subcommittee must declare a conflict of interest in submissions from students with whom they have had substantial contact. Such contact certainly includes students supervised by or in the same department as Subcommittee members and may also include professional contact with the project as well as family links. The Subcommittee member with a conflict of interest in the submission will not grade it, other grades being scaled accordingly, and will not participate in discussions of that submission.
- d) Applicants must be able to travel to the meeting and present their work to be selected Student Conference Award winners.
- e) The Society intends to make three awards. However, the StCA Subcommittee reserves the right to make more or fewer awards, or even none at all, subject to the approval of the ISCB President.
- f) Applications not selected for the Student Conference Awards may still be considered for selection for an oral presentation at a Contributed Paper session or a poster presentation by the Program Committee, since the abstract has been also submitted separately via the

conference abstract handling system. This holds unless the applicant indicates that they do not wish to have their submission considered further.