

Student Professional Development Policy

Each year the Department of Nuclear Engineering solicits support for professional development of their undergraduate and graduate students. What follows are the guidelines for the annual ANS-Student Conference coverage. Graduate students are not covered by this policy; they need to consult the graduate travel policy for attendance and presentations at national conferences and topical meetings.

This policy may be amended based on actual funds received to maximize student participation. With that in mind—

1. All attendees seeking funding must have a total GPA of 3.0 or better, a nuclear engineering major GPA of 2.7 or better, and membership/participation in the department's ANS-Student Chapter.
2. Ideally, half of the total attendees will present a paper or poster. All students with senior standing are expected to be authors or coauthors on the abstract.
3. Full coverage by the Department of Nuclear Engineering of pre-approved expenses will occur for students presenting papers or posters, minus any reimbursements a student receives from other sources. In instances where there are paper or poster coauthors, the department will support a maximum of two individuals to present at the conference.
4. Partial coverage of travel expenses by the Department of Nuclear Engineering, depending upon the availability of funds, will be provided for first-time students attending the conference but not presenting papers or posters. This coverage is open for freshman through junior students meeting criteria #1. Under no circumstance will any travel expenses be covered for a student who already has received partial coverage of expenses but did not present a paper or poster at the meeting, and is attending a subsequent meeting without presenting a paper or poster.
5. The ANS Student Chapter president will provide an income statement (highlighting funders and amounts) and an attendees' list to Ms. Lisa Marshall one week before the abstract deadline. Any funds raised or received by the ANS Student Chapter is to be distributed uniformly to all eligible students attending.
6. Paper abstracts and poster presentations are to be submitted, after approval by the faculty member supervising the student's work, to Ms. Lisa Marshall and copy to the NE Undergraduate Administrator prior to the conference. This information will be used to report on student activity within the department and assist in solidifying future funding.
7. A maximum of two conference involvements during an undergraduate student's academic career will be covered if all the other conditions listed are satisfied.

Note—

Since the department solicits electric power utility companies and major nuclear vendors, those industrial organizations that have provided support to the Department of Nuclear Engineering are not to be approached for funding. **Prior to approaching any other industrial organization, permission from the Director of Outreach Programs should be obtained to avoid conflicts in outstanding solicitations by the Department.**