



## **THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF GASTROENTEROLOGY 2012 NORTH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL GI TRAINING GRANTS PROGRAM**

### **DESCRIPTION**

The North American International GI Training Grant provides partial financial support to U.S. and Canadian GI Fellows in training or GI Physicians who have completed their training within the last 5 years, to receive clinical or clinical research training or education in Gastroenterology and Hepatology outside of North America. Grants are to be used for travel to and from the training center as well as incidental expenses related to the training.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

GI Fellows in training who are enrolled in an accredited gastroenterology fellowship program or GI Physicians who completed their training within the last 5 years, and are citizens of the United States or Canada, are eligible to apply together with his/her training institution.

### **AWARDS**

One fellowship with a maximum of \$10,000 will be awarded during 2012.

Applicants should submit a completed application form, curriculum vitae, copies of all published articles and abstracts within the last five years, a personal statement that summarizes the reasons and objectives of additional training, and completed application form by host training center. Three letters of recommendation are required — one from the training preceptor/director and another from a person of your choosing to be forwarded with the application. A third letter of support is required from an ACG Fellow which should be mailed under separate cover to the ACG administrative office. Completed applications and all correspondence should be mailed to the ACG address listed below.

### **REVIEW PROCESS**

Awards will be made by a special committee of the ACG and will be based upon the applicant's credentials, the merit of the proposed training by the selected host training center and the potential of enhancing the field of gastroenterology in the applicant's home country.

Application forms can be obtained online at [www.gi.org](http://www.gi.org) or from the ACG administrative office. All applications must be submitted by mail or express delivery to: ACG International Training Grant, Attn: Maria Susano, 6400 Goldsboro Road, Suite 450, Bethesda, Maryland, 20817-5846.

Questions regarding this program should be addressed to Qiang Cai, M.D., Ph.D., FACG, Chair, International Relations Committee, American College of Gastroenterology, 6400 Goldsboro Road, Suite 450, Bethesda, Maryland, 20817-5846.

### **DEADLINE**

Deadline for submission of application is **March 30, 2012**. The awardee will be notified after **July 1, 2012** with funding to begin after **July 2012**.

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**PURPOSE:** Provide funding for clinical or clinical research training so that an individual can acquire or develop new cognitive knowledge or a technical skill. This newly acquired knowledge or skill would then be used to improve patient care in the applicant's geographic area.

**SELECTION PROCESS:** The International Relations Committee of the American College of Gastroenterology (ACG) will be responsible for reviewing the applications and selection of the awardees. The selections will be made annually. The completed application must be received at the ACG Office no later than *March 30, 2012*. Awards will be based solely on the merits of the application. Travel grants may or may not be awarded in any given year.

## **GUIDELINES**

### **APPLICANTS**

1. Complete an application form.
2. Include a written personal statement on reasons for seeking training.
3. Copy of curriculum vitae.
4. Three letters of recommendation: one from your training preceptor/director; one from an ACG fellow; and one from another person of your choosing.
5. Copies of published articles and abstracts (last 5 years).
6. Must be responsible for selecting host training center who will agree to participate in program and to forward completed host training center application. This host training center must be able to accomplish training goal.
7. Written summary (critique, educational experience) by applicant to be submitted to the International Relations Committee monitor at the completion of the GI training program.
8. The North American International GI Training Grant of the College must be mentioned in any publication(s) generated between awardee and host training center through this program.

### **PROGRAM DIRECTOR**

1. Written acceptance of host training center for applicants must be included in the application.
2. Written outline of training program for applicant (goals, schedule, etc.) to be included in application.
3. Written summary (critique) of program submitted to International Relations Committee monitor at completion of study program.
4. Acknowledgment of ACG's North American International GI Training Grant in all publications generated from study period.
5. Host training center is voluntary. ACG would not be responsible for any additional financial obligation to preceptor for GI training program. Selected GI fellow or physician will receive up to \$10,000 during the training period.

### **INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE STUDY MONITOR**

1. To be selected from members of the International Relations Committee of ACG to monitor awarded studies and serve as conduit to ACG from host training center and awardee.
2. Monitor will oversee only one GI training program at a time.
3. Monitor will review completed summaries (critiques) by host training center and awardee and report to the International Relations Committee annually (at Annual Meeting).



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**NORTH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL TRAINING GRANT APPLICATION**

*To be filled out by applicant (please type or print):*

Name in Full: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**Education**

College or University Attended and Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical School Attended and Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

Postgraduate Training:

Type

Institution

Dates

Internship: \_\_\_\_\_

Residency: \_\_\_\_\_

Fellowship: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Present Professional Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Publications from last five years (please attach separately)

Funding Amount Being Sought: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Financial Support Committed: \_\_\_\_\_



**AMERICAN COLLEGE OF GASTROENTEROLOGY  
NORTH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL TRAINING GRANT  
APPLICATION FORM**

*To be filled out by host training center and forwarded with application by applicant (please type or print):*

Hospital/Center: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Program Director: \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Responsible for Applicant and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Specific Training Objectives (written outline including goals, schedule, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

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Duration of Program (include dates): \_\_\_\_\_

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Previous Experience of Program with International Trainees (last five years only): \_\_\_\_\_

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Housing Arrangements: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Program Director: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_