



John & Penny Tropman Conference Networking Travel Grant 2025-2026

I. Purpose and Eligibility

This award is available to students in the Joint Doctoral Program. It is being made available under the John & Penny Tropman Conference Networking Travel Grant and carries a value of \$500. This travel grant is to support a doctoral student who would like to attend a conference for networking purposes who is not presenting at the conference. To be eligible for the award, a student must be in good standing in the Joint Doctoral Program.

A student is eligible to receive one of the John & Penny Tropman Conference Networking Travel Grants (either domestic or international, but not both) during the fiscal year, which runs from July 1- June 30.

II. Form of Support

A \$500 award will be made to a Doctoral student in the form of stipend support. **Awards will be granted until the funds are depleted. Please inquire whether funds are still available before submitting the application.**

III. Application Materials

The following application materials are required:

1. Application coversheet
2. A description of the conference and why attending the conference is important to your professional development.
3. A one page networking plan developed with your advisor. This would be a list of session(s) you plan to attend, people you hope to meet, and meetings or reception you plan to attend. The plan should be signed by you and your advisor.

IV. Deadline for Application Materials and Review Process

Ongoing. The funds for this grant limited. Please email ssw.docoffice@umich.edu to confirm funds are still available before completing the application.



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Application Coversheet

Student Name: _____ UMID: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

_____ Email: _____

Social Science Discipline:

- Anthropology Psychology Sociology

Faculty Advisor: _____

Nominated By (Faculty Member): _____

Attach the following required materials:

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2. A description of the conference and why attending the conference is important to your professional development.
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Deadline: Ongoing

Submit this form along with the required materials electronically to:

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