

**Information and Application for
Grace and Harold Sewell Memorial Fund Stipends for
FIRST-TIME LIBRARIAN ATTENDEES
at the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP)
Annual Meeting**

**Stipend Program Administered by the
AACP Library and Information Sciences Section (LIS)**

“The mission of The Grace and Harold Sewell Memorial Fund is to increase librarians’ identification with medical, pharmaceutical, and health care professionals. Librarians experienced in managing knowledge and teaching informatics can supply quality information by becoming ongoing members of the health care team. Immersion in the health care environment is necessary for librarians to understand how health care professionals solve problems individually and through consensus.” For more information about the fund, see <http://www.sewellfund.org>.

The American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) annual meeting (<https://www.aacp.org/pharmed20>) is the largest national gathering of academic pharmacy educators, administrators, and staff. The meeting registration fee usually includes daily continental breakfasts, an opening reception on Saturday evening, a vendor reception on Sunday evening, a box lunch on Monday, a closing reception on Tuesday evening, and daily beverage breaks.

The Sewell Fund stipend amount for first-time attendees of the AACP annual meeting is a minimum of \$1,000.00. The stipend will first be applied to AACP membership dues and to the AACP annual meeting registration fee. Any remainder of the stipend will be disbursed to the recipient for general meeting expenses. *The stipend seldom covers all meeting and travel expenses.* Additional funding from your institution or your own resources will almost certainly be necessary. The main conference hotel is usually one of the top hotels in the area; stipend recipients may consider sharing a room to reduce expenses.

Deadline for application: May 15, 2020

Criteria for first-time AACP attendees:

Professional librarians with the MLS/MLIS degree who are directly responsible for information support, collection development, and instruction for a pharmacy academic curriculum are eligible for a stipend. At the time of application for a stipend, applicants must be employed in a library supporting a pharmacy college/school and the pharmacy college/school must be accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) or have begun the process to be accredited by ACPE. Applicants for first-time stipends must not have previously attended an AACP meeting.

Recipient requirements:

1. Recipients must attend the LIS sessions, including the Welcome Librarians meeting (usually at 5 pm on Saturday), the LIS programs and business sessions in their entirety, and the poster sessions with posters sponsored by LIS. Recipients are encouraged to attend the Basic

Resources planning session (usually held on Monday afternoon/evening). Attending the LIS pay-your-own-way welcome dinner on Saturday evening is optional.

2. One of the goals of the Sewell Memorial Fund is to encourage librarians' relationships and collaboration within their institution's pharmacy programs. To encourage this communication, recipients must shadow a faculty member from their pharmacy program for at least one conference session, if not more. Before the meeting, the recipient must identify at least one session to attend together with the faculty member being shadowed. Priority should be given to the required LIS sessions (see #1 above).
3. Immediately following the meeting, recipients must submit a report (not to exceed 500 words), giving highlights and perceptions of the AACP, LIS and academic section sessions attended (a summary, not just a list). Discuss how these experiences will be beneficial in your work with pharmacy faculty and students. These reports will be published online as models for future applicants, and they may be selected for subsequent publication in print.

Application process:

1. Contact a pharmacy college/school faculty member (not a librarian) from your institution who will be attending the AACP annual meeting. Arrange to shadow the faculty member and, when possible, to accompany her/him to a required academic section program session and to other sessions (general sessions, SIG meetings, etc.) in which you have a mutual interest. The intention of this criterion is to foster the librarian's identification with the pharmacy program and to help the librarian establish contacts within the school/college that may lead to collaboration on mutually beneficial projects in the future.
2. Complete the attached application form, including:
 - A. A brief description of your responsibilities as liaison to the pharmacy college/school.
 - B. A statement of approximately 150-200 words explaining what you expect to gain from shadowing the pharmacy faculty member and attending the LIS programs.

Stipend award receipt:

The chair of the LIS Awards Committee will coordinate with AACP staff to enroll the recipient as an AACP member and to register the recipient for the meeting. AACP will issue any remaining stipend amount directly to the recipient once AACP is notified of the amount by the chair of the LIS Awards Committee.

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Name _____

Title _____

University/College _____

Library _____

Library
mailing
address _____

Email address _____

Telephone number _____

Name and department of pharmacy faculty you will shadow at the AACP annual meeting

Brief description of your responsibilities as liaison to the pharmacy school/college:

Please attach your statement of approximately 150-200 words that addresses the criteria for the requested stipend. By submitting this application, you agree to complete the responsibilities outlined. If attendance is not possible, you are responsible for returning the stipend (minus registration and membership fees already paid) to AACP.

Send the completed application by **May 15, 2020** to Leslie Ann Bowman
(l.bowman@usciences.edu) or mail to:

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