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 - Virtual Pharmacy Education 2021

Stipend Program Administered by the AACP Library and Information Sciences Section

“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/pharmed2021) is the largest national gathering of academic pharmacy educators, administrators, and staff. The 2021 meeting, called Virtual Pharmacy Education 2021, will be held online July 19-22.

For librarians who have never attended an AACP annual meeting, the Sewell Fund stipend will pay:

• 100% of the meeting registration fee
• 100% of the 2021 AACP annual membership dues if the librarian is not eligible for a complimentary AACP membership and is not already an AACP member. The Sewell Fund stipend cannot be used to reimburse any dues previously paid.

**Due to the virtual AACP meeting last year and this year, the 2020 first-time Sewell stipend recipients will receive priority for 2021 stipends (after first-time applicants for 2021). For 2022 stipends, both 2020 and 2021 first-time stipend recipients will receive priority for 2022 (after first-time applicants for 2022).

Priority for awarding 2021 stipends:

• 1st priority to 2021 first-time attendees (receive stipend for meeting registration and membership)
• 2nd priority to 2020 first-time attendees (receive stipend for meeting registration only)
• 3rd priority to all other returning attendees (receive stipend for meeting registration only)

Priority for awarding 2022 stipends:

• 1st priority to 2022 first-time attendees (receive minimum $1000 stipend for meeting registration, travel, and membership)
• 2nd priority to 2021 and 2020 first-time attendees (minimum $1000 stipend for meeting registration and travel)
• 3rd priority to all other returning attendees (amount depends on remaining funds after stipends are given to 1st and 2nd priority recipients)
Deadline for application:  June 18, 2021

Eligibility 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, the applicant 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.

Recipient requirements:
1. Recipients must attend the Library and Information Science Section (LIS) programs in their entirety, and all posters sponsored by LIS. Recipients are encouraged to attend the Basic Resources planning session, if one is included in the meeting schedule.
2. Recipients must attend at least three other sessions, at least one of which must be a plenary/general session for all attending the meeting. Recipients are encouraged to attend more than this minimum number of sessions.
3. Recipients who have never attended an AACP annual meeting before are encouraged to discuss the program with a pharmacy school faculty member who is attending/has attended the meeting. This discussion may occur before, during, or after the meeting.
4. Immediately following the meeting, recipients must submit a report (not to exceed 300 words), giving highlights and perceptions of the AACP, LIS and other 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:
Complete the attached application form, including:
- A brief description of your responsibilities as liaison to the pharmacy college/school.
- A brief statement (150-200 words) explaining what you expect to gain from attending Virtual Pharmacy Education 2021. The statement should address how receiving a stipend would allow you to meet the stated goal of the Sewell Fund to “increase librarians’ identification with medical and health care professionals,” in this case pharmacy educators.

Stipend award receipt:
The chair of the LIS Awards Committee will coordinate with AACP staff to register the recipient for Virtual Pharmacy Education 2021 and to have the recipient enrolled as an AACP member, if necessary.
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Name ____________________________________________________________

Title ____________________________________________________________

University/College ________________________________________________

Library __________________________________________________________

Library mailing address ____________________________________________

Email address ____________________________________________________

Telephone number ________________________________________________

Have you attended an AACP annual meeting?

A brief description (no more than 200 words) of your responsibilities as liaison to the pharmacy school/college:

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By submitting this application, you agree to complete the responsibilities outlined in the Recipient Requirements above. If attendance at Virtual Pharmacy Education 2021 is not possible, you are responsible for notifying the Awards Committee as soon as possible.

E-mail the completed application by June 18, 2021 to Sherrill Brown at sherrill.brown@umontana.edu