Frequently Asked Questions for Grants and Awards

**Who can apply for GSO funding?**

Any graduate student who pays the UHM GSO fee may apply for funding.

**How much funding can I ask for?**

Up to $1,000 for domestic travel and $2000 for international travel. We are currently taking applications for up to $2000 for research materials. Updates regarding special case funding can be found on our home website.

**What can funding be used?**

* Airfare
* Conference Fees
* Conference Accommodations
* Pages Fees
* Research Materials

**How many times can I apply for GSO funding?**

Once per semester (summer semester not included).

**Can I apply for a grant for my online conference?**

Absolutely, in fact, please do!

**What happens if the conference that I requested funds for cancels due to COVID?**

Please contact the GSO G&A Manager ([gsogrant@hawaii.edu](mailto:gsogrant@hawaii.edu)) as every situation is unique and therefore handled on a case to case basis.

**Are grants and awards funding international travel?**

Yes, University sponsored travel is currently allowed but subject to change due to ongoing COVID-19 Guidelines.

**Are grants and awards funding travel to in-person conferences held on the mainland?**

Yes, University sponsored travel is currently allowed but subject to change due to ongoing COVID-19 Guidelines.

**How do I apply for G&A funding through GSO?**

Go check out our [website](https://uhmgso.wixsite.com/website-1/grants-and-awards) and scroll down to the “apply online now!” button. There are other resources included to help you through the process below.

**When are applications for G&A open?**

The GSO reviews G&A applications every month (excluding June & July). Applications are accepted throughout the year, and will be reviewed at the following monthly review meeting. For more details, see the [application deadlines](https://uhmgso.wixsite.com/website-1/g-a-deadlines).

**Can I submit a G&A application after the deadline?**

No, the deadline is there for a reason and we ask that you respect that. You can always submit an application in the next cycle if you fail to meet the deadline.

**Can I request funds to cover publication fees?**Yes! Please do.

**When can I expect a response after I have submitted an application for an award?**We work hard to get your application decision back to you in a timely manner. You can expect no more than 2 weeks time between the awards decision and a notice of approval of your application.

**Can I request funds for laptops?**

No, we are unable to fund laptops. This extends to applications requesting laptops under the “research materials” category due to the difficulty in delineating personal/professional use of said laptops.

**Is there a complete list of fundable items available on the GSO website?**

There is not. There are however general guidelines for funding and all further questions can be directed to your programs representative or the grants and awards chair at [gsogachr@hawaii.edu](mailto:gsogachr@hawaii.edu)