

APOMA

American Precision Optics Manufacturers Association

ATTENTION North America FACULTY AND STUDENTS!

APOMA will sponsor *TRAVEL GRANTS* and *OUTSTANDING STUDENT POSTER* awards at **SPIE OPTIFAB 2015**, to be held **12-15 October 2015** in Rochester, NY.

The travel grants are intended to encourage student participation at Optifab 2015, while providing first hand exposure to technical and manufacturing issues important to the optics industry. The grants may be used to defer costs associated with transportation, registration or housing. Guidelines and eligibility are given below. **Up to eight \$250 travel grants will be awarded** to students presenting posters at the OPTIFAB meeting.

In addition, APOMA will award three prizes for APOMA Outstanding Student Posters (\$1000 for first, \$750 for second and \$500 for third best poster). The APOMA awards will be made at the conference.

Posters will be judged by APOMA industry representatives. Student applicants must provide the documentation described below, including abstract and a signed proof of current student (undergraduate or graduate) status signed by their advisor.

Deadlines

Application for OPTIFAB CONFERENCE TRAVEL GRANTS are due no later than September 1st, 2015. Travel award notification will be made by September 10th, 2015. Applicants are requested to email information under a single cover email that contains all appropriate documentation. **PLEASE INDICATE APOMA TRAVEL GRANT IN THE SUBJECT LINE.**

Award Guidelines

Students must be enrolled full time in an undergraduate or graduate program. Associate degree students must be registered full time in an accredited Optical Manufacturing curriculum. Signature of the advisor verifying this fact is required. Preference will be given to those students presenting an oral or poster presentation of their work. Eligible topics most closely related to the goals of APOMA and APOMA-member companies will be considered most favorably. A copy of the submitted abstract (accepted for presentation at the conference) is required. A maximum of two awards per institution will be made.

Application materials to be mailed to the APOMA student award committee

- Student name, address, phone number and email
- North American University, major, Advisor's name
- Graduate or undergraduate standing
- Title and abstract of presentation
- Written validation of full time student status by advisor/supervisor

**E-MAIL applications to: info@apoma.org
Subject: APOMA Travel Grants**