



## Steel to Students Training Program

### History

The Association for Iron & Steel Technology (AIST) represents individual members in the iron and steel community from more than 70 countries around the world. Specialty Training Conferences are an integral component in facilitating the exchange of ideas and strengthening AIST's global network. Technology Committees offer steel industry professionals the opportunity to participate in AIST through the Specialty Training Conferences and Member Chapter Meetings.

The **Steel to Students Training Program** allows for up to 30 students per calendar year to attend various AIST Specialty Conferences and AIST Member Chapter Annual Meetings (where a technical program is offered). Through the program, students will be afforded the opportunity to network with industry professionals and gain insight into steel technology to supplement their coursework.

### Eligibility Requirements

Students must be enrolled full time in an undergraduate or master's degree-level engineering, metallurgical or materials science program at an accredited university, or enrolled in a post-secondary vocational-technical school. Ph.D. candidates are not eligible to apply for this program. Preference will be given to students who belong to AIST through the Material Advantage program.

### Funding

Funding from the AIST Foundation includes up to \$600 in travel expense reimbursement per student (per specialty conference), in addition to paying the designated student registration fee for the Specialty Training Conference or the full registration fee at an AIST Member Chapter Annual Meeting where a technical program is offered. If the student is not already a member of AIST through the Material Advantage program, a one-year membership will also be paid by the AIST Foundation. Following the conference, the student participant must submit a brief survey, along with their receipts and an itemized ledger detailing their travel expenses. Reimbursable travel expenses include: coach airfare, hotel room charges, car rental, fuel receipts, meals and parking. Alcoholic beverages and entertainment are not reimbursable. Up to \$600 in travel expense reimbursement will be paid per student (per specialty conference).

### Application Process

Students interested in applying for the **Steel to Students Training Program** are required to submit an application for the program and register online for the conference or chapter meeting technical program (indicate that you are paying by check). *A separate application packet is required for each event a student wishes to attend.*

Applications will be accepted until further notice and are due four (4) weeks prior to the advertised registration deadline for the conference or chapter meeting. The completed application should be submitted as a single PDF and emailed to Chris McKelvey at AIST: [cmckelvey@aist.org](mailto:cmckelvey@aist.org), or by fax to +1.724.814.3077.

Students who are sponsored and attend a Specialty Training Conference or AIST Member Chapter Annual Meeting where a technical program is offered will be provided a form to have signed by an AIST staff engineer at the conference. A brief post-conference survey will be provided which is to be submitted by the student with their receipts.

### **Selection/Notification**

Students selected by AIST for participation in the **Steel to Students Training Program** will be notified via email that they have been chosen for the program.

*For a complete online listing of the upcoming AIST Specialty Conferences, visit:*

**<http://www.aist.org/calendar>**

*For a complete listing of AIST Member Chapter meetings, visit the chapter's website at*

**<http://www.aist.org/chapters/chaptershp.htm>**