

Rating Form
AWM/NSF Mentoring Travel Grants

Score applications on the following 7 items using the 5 point scale:

- 1_ To an outstanding degree
- 2_ To a strong degree
- 3_ Somewhat or mixed
- 4_ To a limited degree
- 5_ Unclear or not at all

Please note that each criterion has an assigned weight.

1. The research proposal is of high quality. (weight = 10)
2. The benefits of the mentor relationship in relation to the applicant's research are clearly explained. (weight = 5)
3. The mentor relationship will advance the applicant's career. (weight = 5)
4. The proposed mentor is appropriate for the applicant's research. (weight = 5)
5. The publication record is appropriate for the applicant's point in her career. (weight = 5)
6. The budget is realistic. (weight = 1)
7. Overall Recommendation: The application merits that travel funds are awarded. (weight = 10)

Total best average weighted score is 5.85. Total average worst weighted score is 29.28.

ADDENDUM

Feedback to Applicants Who Were Declined a Mentor Travel Grant

Since the February 1, 2011 cycle, the grant PIs would like the committee to provide limited feedback to the non-winner applicants. The suggested approach is that the committee members indicate from a short list of comments which one(s) apply to a particular applicant. The staff will include the feedback in the non-winner notification letter. The list of feedback comments are based upon the criteria that the selection committee uses when scoring the applications. Please see the list below. We are requesting that after you have made your decisions as to the winners that time is spent selecting from the feedback list what comments to communicate to the non-winners

Applicant Feedback Comments:

These comments will be incorporated into the applicants' non-winner letter. Please indicate the number(s) of the items to be included.

1. Approximate 5-page research proposal should give a clear, concise explanation of results, reasonably understandable to a lay mathematician.
2. Proposal should be a research proposal with associated bibliography.
3. Research proposal should provide sufficient mathematical detail to convey in what way your work went beyond what was known in your field. Please give connections to and implications for other results or open questions.
4. Proposal should clearly explain the benefits of the mentor relationship in relation to your research.
5. Proposal should clearly explain how the mentor relationship will advance your professional career.
6. Proposal should clearly explain how the mentor is appropriate for the applicant's research.
7. Proposal and/or CV should convey that your publication record is appropriate for the stage of your career.
8. CV should conform to the instructions provided on the website for mathematics travel grants at awm-math.org.
9. Budget must be presented clearly.