Project Connect - Student Travel Grant

Are you interested in:

- Developing career opportunities
- Networking with leading industry professionals
- Exploring graduate school opportunities
- Hands-on engineering experiences
- Viewing state-of-the-art technologies
- Being involved in undergraduate research

“One of the crown jewels of IMS is exposure. Students are able to meet the world’s best and brightest in our field.”

Quenton Bonds, Ph.D.
Research Electronics Engineer
NASA Goddard Space Flight Center
Greenbelt, MD

“...I recommend a career in RF/Microwave Engineering if you want to become a leader of new technologies for the future.”

María F. Córdoba-Erazo
Doctoral Student
Electrical Engineering
University of South Florida

Project Connect is awarding U.S. $800 travel grants to the 2015 International Microwave Symposium

Eligibility:

Undergraduate junior or senior level students in engineering or a closely related discipline (e.g. math, physics, etc.) with a strong interest in undergraduate research, graduate school and/or a career in engineering. Candidates should be at least 18 years old and members of under-represented groups in engineering. For example, in the United States these groups include women, American Indian/Native, African American/Black and Hispanic American/Latino. There are no citizenship requirements.

How to Apply:

- Submit a completed application package to the Project Connect Selection Committee, imsprojectconnect@gmail.com

- A completed application package consists of:
  Project Connect Student Travel Grant Application (see following page)
  A copy of your unofficial transcript and a letter of recommendation from an involved faculty member
  A short (under 3 minutes) self-documentary video that relates to your career goals and background

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See http://www.ims2015.org/students/project-connect
What:
Students will be selected and awarded a travel grant to attend the International Microwave Symposium in Phoenix, Arizona during May 17-22, 2015. During the symposium, students will (1) attend selected high-level talks including the opening and closing ceremonies of the Symposium; (2) participate in social and career development activities aimed at students and young professionals, interact with industry at events developed specifically for this project; (3) and attend the popular IMS student design competition event.

Specific IMS Connect activities include: (1) IMS Connect-focused panel sessions where speakers from industry and academia will share their experiences in Microwave Engineering; (2) A graduate student-led panel session for IMS Connect participants to learn about the highs and lows of transitioning from undergraduate life to working as a graduate research assistant; (3) Connect Monopoly is the vehicle that students will use to explore the exciting networking, educational, and industrial experiences of IMS 2015 in three-action packed days!

IMS Connect participants will share their IMS 2015 experience with a “Through My Eyes” multimedia presentation at the program wrap-up meeting!

Eligibility:
Undergraduate junior or senior level, or first year graduate student in engineering or a closely related discipline (e.g. math, physics, etc.). Candidates should be at least 18 years old and members of under-represented groups in engineering. For example, in the United States these groups include women, American Indian/Native, African American/Black and Hispanic American/Latino. There are no citizenship requirements.

How to apply:
Go to http://bit.ly/15tpH3w and submit the requested information to initiate your application process. In addition, you will need to submit the following information to the Project Connect Selection Committee at imsprojectconnect@gmail.com: 1) an unofficial copy of your transcript, 2) a letter of recommendation from a faculty member at your institution, and 3) a link to a short (under 3 minutes) self-documentary video that describes your career goals and background. Your video should also explain why you are a good candidate for Project Connect and how attending the International Microwave Symposium will benefit your educational and career plans. Please send only the link to your video (e.g. on YouTube) - do not send the video itself.

A video has been prepared by a former Project Connect participant to help you develop a strong video for your application. See http://youtu.be/7tZ2UNJB-AU.