

## **IASG BURSARY Program**

**Duration:** Full day

**Eligible:** All postgraduate students/research scholars (MD/MS/DNB/MCh/PhD), GI Surgery and related specialties (Preference: For GI Surgery). Preference to sophomores rather than final year students

**Number of places:** Twenty-Five (25)

**Last date:** Same as last date for submission of abstract without late fee

**Selection criteria:** Must submit an abstract, least likely to be selected if the submission is a case report or a video presentation. Must submit a brief write up 250 words on why she/he wishes to participate in the program. Selection will be based on independent marking of the write up and the quality of the abstract submitted by 3-4 peer reviewers; If more than 2 slots are going to a single institution then moderate the selection process so that preferably there are not more than 2 awardees from a single institution.

**Selectors:** IASG education committee

**Selected list of awardees:** 15 days after last date for submission of abstract without late fee. All awardees will have to attend the bursary day program as well as the rest of the conference. Awardees will have to deposit early bird registration fee. This will be refunded to the awardee at the end of the conference.

### **Program outline**

Visit to 2 centres in the city; preferably one public and one private centre. Purpose of visit should be to see work processes in different environments. Also exposure to a disease or treatment or a surgical procedure in which that centre excels or has a large experience

One technique: 1 hour session

One case capsule: 1 hour session; Run by residents of the local centre(s), panelists: bursary awardees, 2-3 faculty in front row for critical comments

One non-surgical topic: 1 hour session

One mentorship session: 1 hour

One paper critiquing session: 1 hour

All sessions to have emphasis on local skills

On the IASG website: Group photograph of all bursary awardees, also individual photos with their abstracts and write ups; all bursary awardees to prepare a report and submit by 30 October. These responses will be placed on a separate page in a protected place on the website

Bursary responsibilities must be added to the conference guidelines. Organizing committees who bid, must be made aware of this additional responsibility over and above registration fee commitments to the Association.

### **PG Clinics program**

**Duration:** Daily morning, 1.5 hours for 4 days

**Eligible:** All MCh/DNB GI Surgery students, preferably exam going. However, a centre chief may prefer to send sophomores each year; Will require submission of an abstract could be anything from a case report to a video presentation to a case series to a randomized trial

**Number of places:** No limit

**Last date:** Same as last date for submission of abstract without late fee

- NO financial support will be provided
- HAVE to register for the conference to be booked for the PG clinics program.
- NEED to confirm attendance and deposit registration before the final date for late registration, i.e. NOT as spot registrants

### **Program outline**

Examination format

Case discussions, ward rounds

Some should be video presentations or virtual case scenarios, so that discussion can progress beyond history.