

Faculty of Occupational Medicine Prizes - How to apply

Mobbs Travelling Fellowship including electives for medical students and junior doctors

Wilf Howe Memorial Prize











## **Mobbs Travelling Fellowships**

The Mobbs Travelling Fellowships are supported by Corporate Health Ltd in memory of Sir Nigel Mobbs. They offer an excellent opportunity for individuals to travel to a centre of excellence to study a particular aspect of occupational medicine or to travel to a scientific meeting for which they have had a paper or poster accepted, but which they would otherwise not be able to attend.

The principal purpose of the Fellowship is to provide the successful applicant(s) with:

- experience of, and exposure to, the practice of occupational medicine in a country or countries other than the United Kingdom, or
- the opportunity to attend a short course, meeting or conference not normally
  accessible to them, to enhance knowledge and/or skills in general and/or
  specific aspects of occupational medical practice, or
- the opportunity to present a poster or paper accepted for an overseas occupational health or medicine meeting, or
- the ability for an individual to take unpaid leave to undertake research, or write a book or chapter of a book on any aspect of occupational medical practice, or
- the opportunity to subsidise attendance at a professional or academic course leading to an additional qualification relevant to occupational medical practice.

Preference in making awards will fall, at the Faculty's discretion, firstly to doctors in training, secondly to recently qualified specialists and finally to well-established specialists. Fellowships are not limited to Faculty members.

## Mobbs Travelling Fellowships – Medical Student Electives

Mobbs Student Electives Fellowships are open to medical undergraduates and doctors in Foundation Years 1 and 2. The aim is:

- to enable students and junior doctors to experience work in an occupational health/medicine environment, in the UK or overseas, or
- to present a poster or paper at an occupational health conference, in the UK or overseas.

Applications must have the approval of the relevant Dean and include a supportive statement from the Dean indicating that the activity is compliant with regulations and requirements for registration (licence to practise).

Fellowship awards can contribute to living and/or travel expenses up to £2,000.

The Faculty of Occupational Medicine is able to offer introductions to organisations which offer electives both in and outside the UK. Alternatively, applicants are invited to set up their own elective.



### **Wilf Howe Memorial Prize**

This prize was established in 2005 in memory of Dr Wilf Howe, a Fellow of the Faculty and former Board member, who was an occupational physician working primarily in the oil industry. He was passionate about considering employees' occupational health issues in the wider, holistic context.

This prize is to recognise an outstanding innovation, initiative or intervention which has delivered a demonstrable health benefit for a defined working population.

The prize is a cheque for £500 and an engraved memento.

It is awarded for successful implementation of an initiative or intervention in the workplace in a clearly defined working population (but not necessarily limited to one employer), demonstrating clear health benefits eg:

- Reduction in stress levels
- Improved cardiovascular risk profile
- Improvements in success of rehabilitation back into work
- Reduced medical retirements

Applicants should be a member of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine (all categories of membership are welcome to apply).



#### Previous winners of the Mobbs Travelling Fellowship have:

Visited Australia to study the Workers' Compensation System

Had abstracts accepted for the International Commission on Occupational Health Conference in Vancouver

Made a study trip to Hong Kong hospitals affected by the SARS outbreak

Attended the Cochrane Occupational Safety and Health Review Group's Basic Systematic Review course at the Finnish Institute of Occupational Health

Enrolled on an aviation medicine course

# Previous winning entries for the Wilf Howe Memorial Prize have included papers on:

Initiatives to improve the occupational health of construction workers building the London 2012 Olympic Park and Athletes' Village

The assessment and validation of acclimatisation to a hot-dry climate in British Armed Forces personnel

Implementing and evaluating a successful condom promotion intervention project for brothel-based sex workers in Singapore

Identifying and addressing occupation-related skin problems on a chemical industrial site



## For further details, including deadlines and an application form, email: prizes@fom.ac.uk

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