The Gino S. Mancuso Memorial Research Enhancement Awards

The Information Systems Program is honored to have the opportunity to award several Information Systems undergraduate major students each year with The Gino S. Mancuso Memorial Research Enhancement Award, generously funded in memory of Gino S. Mancuso by his family.

The goal of the award is to facilitate exploration and research of critical issues in Information Systems (IS) in order for students to develop knowledge, analytic skills, and problem solving capabilities. Current IS majors may apply for a grant of up to $500 for an individual proposal or $1000 for a group proposal. Proposals will be considered in one of two categories:

1. Travel to an IS, or IS related, professional conference
2. Implementation of an extracurricular IS, or IS related, research idea or service project

The grants are given as cash awards for expenditures related to your proposed activities only, and will not affect your financial aid. The program will fund up to two proposals per academic year.

Please note: We are proud to include additional funds, generously provided by Johnson & Johnson, to supplement the Mancuso Enhancement Awards and to allow for support related to the IS student projects and presentations.

Am I Eligible?
You are eligible if you are:

- An Information Systems undergraduate major
- Enrolled during the semester of your grant for Fall or Spring awards, or the semester following your grant for Summer awards
- In good academic standing (not on probation or suspension) and not on leave of absence

How Can I Apply?
Your application is your chance to tell us about your proposed project, why it’s significant, and how you plan to spend the award. Your finished application will include:
• A written proposal (3 pages maximum) including objectives, research plan, timeline and/or other relevant narrative
• A budget
• Resume of each person submitting the proposal
• Name (and contact information) of a faculty member for a reference

When Should I Apply?
The deadline to apply for the Spring 2018 semester is **January 31, 2018**. Email your application materials to isinfo@andrew.cmu.edu.

Project Completion and Reporting
Upon completion of the project you must submit a report to the Information Systems program (email isinfo@andrew.cmu.edu) describing how the money was used and what you accomplished or how you benefitted from attending a conference. Your report will be due during the final exam period for the semester in which the project is proposed for completion or the conference attended.

Presentation at Meeting of the Minds: **May 9, 2018**
All Mancuso awardees are invited to present at Carnegie Mellon’s Undergraduate Research Symposium, which takes place annually on reading day in early May. This year’s Meeting of the Minds will be on May 9th, 2018 at the Cohen University Center. To participate in Meeting of the Minds and to enroll for the Johnson & Johnson Undergraduate Research Awards competition at Meeting of the Minds, please register no later than **April 10, 2018**. For more information please visit: [www.cmu.edu/uro/MoM/index.html](http://www.cmu.edu/uro/MoM/index.html)