



The Thoracic Surgery Foundation Saha Scholarship Award



Purpose: The Society of Thoracic Surgeons (and its charitable arm, The Thoracic Surgery Foundation) have launched the “Saha Scholarship”. The purpose of the award is to provide the opportunity for Integrated (I-6) cardiothoracic surgery residents from North America (USA and Canada), and cardiothoracic surgery residents enrolled in an accredited residency program in India, to attend, learn, and network at the STS Annual Meeting. This award is made possible by the generosity of Sibu P. Saha, MD, MBA.

Eligibility:

- Cardiothoracic surgery residents enrolled in an ACGME-accredited integrated (I-6) program
- Cardiothoracic surgery residents enrolled in an accredited residency program in India

Funding: The “Saha Scholarship” award covers the cost of registration for the STS Annual Meeting (including President’s Reception), lodging at a STS Annual Meeting Partner hotel (three nights), meals, ground transportation (taxi service), and coach class air transportation. The award recipient from the North America will receive a U.S. check for \$800, and the resident from India will receive a U.S. check for \$2,000. The remaining registration and housing costs will be administered by and paid for by TSF and STS. The value of the Saha Scholarship is up to \$3,075.

Application Selection: The Saha Scholarship applications will be initially reviewed and evaluated by the TSF Saha Scholarship Awards Committee. The Committee will make a formal recommendation for funding to the TSF Board of Directors. The TSF Board of Directors will take action on funding recommendations at the STS Annual Meeting, and announcement will be made each year in October.

Application Promotion: *(TSF cannot guarantee award promotion)*

- TSF Website, Social Media Channels
- STS News/STS Weekly
- The Annals of Thoracic Surgery
- Indian Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery
- Indian Association of Cardiovascular Thoracic Surgeons

Application:

- Biographical Information
- Personal Goal (100 words)
- Career Goal (500 words)
- Education Environment at Institution (750 words)
- Statement of Financial Need

Required Application Materials:

- Application
- Applicant CV
- One (1) Letter of Support

Timeline:

- Applications Open: 7/15/21
- Application Deadline: 9/1/21
- Awards Announcement: 9/15/21

Selection Committee:

- Pavan Atluri
- Vinay Badhwar
- Joseph Bavaria
- Michael Bolanos
- Puja Khaitan
- Meena Nathan (Chair)
- Sibuj Saha
- Devi P. Shetty
- Vinod Thourani
- Prashanth Vallabhajosyula

Visit thoracicsurgeryfoundation.org/awards/ to learn about additional TSF Award offerings.

Budget Itemization (International)

Purpose	Amount	Comment
Hotel	\$900 (3 x 300)	STS Partner Hotel – Administered by STS
Registration	\$325	Includes Full Registration + President’s Reception
Airfare	\$1,000-\$1,500	Paid to Recipient - Coach Class Airfare
Ground Transportation	\$125	Paid to Recipient - Round Trip Taxi (Airport) / Misc
Food	\$225 (3 x 75)	Paid to Recipient - Food (3 days)
Value	\$2,575-\$3,075	(\$2,000 paid to Applicant/STS to handle hotel/registration)

Budget Itemization (Domestic)

Purpose	Amount	Comment
Hotel	\$900 (3 x 300)	STS Partner Hotel – Administered by STS
Registration	\$325	Includes Full Registration + President’s Reception
Airfare	\$425	Paid to Recipient - Coach Class Airfare
Ground Transportation	\$125	Paid to Recipient - Round Trip Taxi (Airport) / Misc
Food	\$225 (3 x 75)	Paid to Recipient - Food (3 days)
Value	\$2,000	(\$800 paid to Applicant/STS to handle hotel/registration)