

## AAC - Colgate Early Career Faculty Travel Award

2025

### Award Details

The American Academy of Cariology (AAC), with support from Colgate-Palmolive, established this award to encourage the participation of junior faculty at the AAC Annual Conference and to recognize excellence in education and/or research. The recipient will receive a Certificate of Recognition, complimentary conference registration, and a monetary stipend to help cover travel expenses.

### Eligibility Criteria

1. **Academic Rank:** Must be a junior, early-career faculty member at the rank of Post-doctoral Associate, Assistant Professor, Instructor, or Research Faculty, within the first five years of their appointment at a U.S. or Canadian accredited dental school.
2. **Teaching and/or Research Focus:** Must be actively engaged in teaching and/or research related to Cariology.
3. **AAC Membership:** Must be a current member of the AAC.
4. **Abstract Submission:** Must have an accepted poster presentation at the AAC Annual Conference.
5. **Commitment to Cariology:** Must demonstrate a dedication to advancing Cariology through education and/or research.

### Selection Criteria

1. **Quality of Poster Presentation:** Evaluation will be based on the abstract's clarity, educational and/or scientific merit, and relevance to Cariology.
2. **Statement of Interest:** A short personal statement (150 words) explaining why the applicant wishes to attend the AAC Conference and how it aligns with their career goals.
3. **Letter of Support:** A brief letter from the applicant's Dean, department chair or mentor endorsing their application.

### Awardee Responsibilities

Awardees are expected to attend the AAC Annual Conference during the award year and participate in the AAC Annual Business Meeting, whether it is held online or at the conference.