



# 2013

## American College of Surgeons Traveling Fellowship to Germany

### The International Relations Committee of the American College of Surgeons announces the availability of the ACS Traveling Fellowship to Germany.

The closing date for receipt of completed applications and all supporting documents is April 1, 2012.

The successful applicant and an alternate will be selected and notified by July 31, 2012.

#### Purpose

The purpose of this fellowship is to encourage international exchange of surgical scientific information. The ACS Traveling Fellow will visit Germany, and a German Traveling Fellow will visit North America.

#### Basic Requirements

The scholarship is available to a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons in most of the surgical specialties who meets the following requirements:

- Has a major interest and accomplishment in clinical and basic science related to surgery
- Holds a current full-time academic appointment in Canada or the United States
- Is under 45 years of age on the date the application is filed
- Is enthusiastic and personable and possesses good communication skills
- Applicants with some German language skills are particularly encouraged

#### Activities

The Fellow is required to spend a minimum of two weeks in Germany.

- To attend and participate in the annual meeting of the German Surgical Society, which will be held in Munich, Germany, April 30–May 3, 2013
- To attend the German ACS Chapter meeting during that congress
- To visit at least two medical centers (other than the annual meeting city) in Germany before or after the annual meeting of the German Surgical Society to lecture and to share clinical and scientific expertise with the local surgeons

The academic and geographic aspects of the itinerary will be finalized in consultation and mutual agreement between the Fellow and designated representatives of the German Surgical Society and the German ACS Chapter. The surgical centers to be visited will depend to some extent on the special interests and expertise of the Fellow and his or her previously established professional contacts with surgeons in Germany.

His or her spouse is welcome to accompany the successful applicant. There will be opportunities for social interaction in addition to professional activities.

#### Financial Support

The College will provide the sum of \$6,000 U.S. to the successful applicant, who will also be exempted from registration fees for the annual meeting of the German Surgical Society.

He/she must meet all travel and living expenses. Senior German Surgical Society and ACS German Chapter representatives will consult with the Fellow about the centers to be visited in Germany, the local arrangements for each center, and other advice and recommendations about travel schedules. The Fellow is to make his/her own travel arrangements in North America, because doing so will allow him/her to take advantage of reduced fares and travel packages for travel in Germany.

The American College of Surgeons International Relations Committee will select the Fellow after review and evaluation of the applications. A personal interview may be requested prior to the final selection.

Applications for this traveling fellowship may be obtained on the College's website at <http://www.facs.org/memberservices/research.html>, or by writing to the International Liaison Section at the address listed below.



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