



## **Doctoral Training Award**

The O&P Foundation recognizes and values the impact made by current and future clinician researchers on clinical practice and patient outcomes. Certified Orthotists and Prosthetists who choose to pursue a PhD, often no longer employed in clinical practice, frequently experience financial hardship in managing the expenses associated with professional engagement and maintaining of clinical credentials.

The O&P Foundation is offering an annual award of up to \$1000\* for up to (10) ABC certified CPOs, CPs, or COs actively pursuing a PhD. These funds serve to offset expenses associated with attending O&P conferences, maintaining professional memberships, and receiving continuing education units.

*\*This award is considered taxable income; recipients will receive a 1099 IRS Form for the award tax year*

### **Eligibility**

- Certified Prosthetist, Orthotist or Orthotist/Prosthetist in good standing with the American Board for Certification for Orthotics and Prosthetics and Pedorthics
- Currently enrolled or accepted to an accredited PhD program

### **How to Apply**

Prior to completing the application:

1. Prepare an itemized budget for the funding request, including dollar amount and description for each item. The total requested may not exceed \$1000. This funding request should take into consideration that this is taxable income for 2024 and the recipient must account for their respective tax rate on the \$1000.



## **The items listed must be for the following purposes:**

- O&P conference attendance
  - Certification dues
  - Licensure fees
  - Professional organization membership dues
  - CEUs
  - Other expenses associated with maintaining clinical credentials and/ or O&P professional engagement
2. Prepare a Curriculum Vitae (CV)
  3. Complete the Doctoral Training Award application form
  4. Submit copies of supporting documents (transcript/acceptance letter and CV) to [submissions@oandpfoundation.org](mailto:submissions@oandpfoundation.org)

## **Submission**

1. Applicants are responsible for completing the application by 5:00pm Central Time by the due date posted.
2. Recipients will be notified of the award and funds disbursed no later than December 1st, 2024.

**Applications will open Fall 2025**

## **Questions**

If you have any questions about the Doctoral Training Award, please email [info@oandpfoundation.org](mailto:info@oandpfoundation.org)