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## CHIPTS William E. Cunningham and Mark A. Etzel Scholars Award Program

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Contributing to our center's mission to support capacity in the science field to reduce comorbidities and disparities linked to HIV, CHIPTS is pleased to announce the William Cunningham Scholar Award and the Mark Etzel Scholar Award.

The awards aim to provide opportunities and support for [early stage investigators](#), post-doctoral fellows, graduate students, and community researchers in efforts to promote science, foster networking, and support capacity building in HIV research. There is one award of \$1,500 available for each.

Themes for both the William E. Cunningham and Mark A. Etzel Scholars Awards focus on health disparities and inequities, social/structural determinants, medical mistrust, policy impact, structural factors, and/or implementation science.

- William E. Cunningham Scholar Award focuses on research themes and work related to health disparities and inequities, social/structural determinants, and/or medical mistrust.
- Mark A. Etzel Scholar Award focuses on research themes and work related to policy impact, structural factors and/or implementation science.

### **Eligibility:**

- Must be considered an early stage investigator (<https://grants.nih.gov/policy/early-investigators/index.htm>), post-doctoral fellow, graduate student, or a community researcher in the field of HIV.
- Must be working in HIV research that addresses themes related to comorbidities to HIV, particularly health disparities and inequities, social/structural determinants, or medical mistrust and/or themes related to policy impact, structural factors or implementation science.
- Must be linked to a CHIPTS faculty member to sponsor the application (If you do not have a CHIPTS faculty mentor, contact Dallas Swendeman, PhD, Co-Director of the CHIPTS Development Core at [DSwendeman@mednet.ucla.edu](mailto:DSwendeman@mednet.ucla.edu) for assistance.)

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### **Spending Criteria:**

The awards cover research and career related activities including but not limited to:

- Conference registration fees



- Conference travel related expenses
- Manuscript submission fees
- Administrative expenses, such as professional development courses, supplies that may support their research work, transcription fees, and more.

Contact CHIPTS with any questions about approved expenses.

#### **Award Requirements:**

- The funds must be spent by **December 31, 2022**. All spending is subject to federal restrictions.
- A brief summary report will be requested within 60 days from funding end date.
- Awardees are required to attend the 2022 CHIPTS HIV Next Generation Conference on December 2, 2022 to be acknowledged.
- Awardees are asked to acknowledge support from CHIPTS (NIMH grant P30MH058107) in work that was supported by these awards. Ways that CHIPTS support can be acknowledged include: in oral or poster presentations if funds are used for conference registration or travel, and/or within publications, if funds are used to support journal publication fees.

Nomination deadline: **Friday, June 24, 2022**. Notice of awards will be sent by July 11, 2022.

For more questions about the program, contact Damilola Jolayemi at [ojolayemi@mednet.ucla.edu](mailto:ojolayemi@mednet.ucla.edu).

These awards are supported by the Center for HIV Identification, Prevention, and Treatment Services (CHIPTS) NIMH grant P30MH058107.

Please read the research focus areas and criteria for each award prior to nominating.

<https://chipts.ucla.edu/mark-etzel-and-william-cunningham-scholarships/>

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### *Nomination Form*

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Complete a separate form for each scholar award. Note: Response to prompts may have to be provided by both the nominee and their mentor. Email completed form to Damilola Jolayemi at [ojolayemi@mednet.ucla.edu](mailto:ojolayemi@mednet.ucla.edu)

1. **Nominee Information (Full name, degree, position title, department, affiliated institution/organization name and address, phone number, and email address.)**



2. **Does the nominee have an academic mentor? If yes, please include the mentor's name, title and affiliated institution.**
3. **Which scholar award are you nominating for? Complete a separate application for each.**
  - **William E. Cunningham Scholar Award focuses on research themes and work related to health disparities and inequities, social/structural determinants, and/or medical mistrust.**
  - **Mark A. Etzel Scholar Award focuses on research themes and work related to policy impact, structural factors and/or implementation science.**
4. **Include details about the nominee's work (research area, populations worked with, current projects) and its relevance to the themes of the specific scholar award. (150-300 words)**
5. **Based on the spending criteria in the award announcement, explain in detail how the award would be used to advance the nominee's research career/academic goals and what the award would be used for? Include spending plan and timeline. (150-300 words)**
6. **Provide the reason why the nominee should be considered as a candidate for this specific award. Nominee must complete this section and faculty mentor(s) should add a supporting statement to this section. (100-200 words each)**