Apply for a Program

The AATS Foundation provides a number of educational and research opportunities to cardiothoracic surgeons around the world each year. The following programs will be accepting applications through December 1, 2020.*

ADULT CARDIAC

James L. Cox Fellowship in Atrial Fibrillation Surgery—Sponsored by AtriCure Inc.
Affords newly graduated cardiothoracic surgeons the opportunity to improve their atrial fibrillation techniques at a host institution.

THORACIC

Thoracic Surgical Robotics Fellowship—Sponsored by Intuitive Surgical
Familiarizes North American general thoracic fellows and their attending surgeons with the da Vinci robotics system during advanced training. Awardees who complete the fellowship are eligible to participate in the Advanced Lobectomy Course.

Thoracic Surgery Training Fellowship—Sponsored by Ethicon China
Offers young surgeons from China the opportunity to obtain advanced thoracic surgery skills at North American institutions.

MULTI-SPECIALTY

AATS Foundation Cohn Lectureship
Provides a unique opportunity to bring an AATS member lecturer to a North American institution.

Japanese Association for Thoracic Surgery Fellowship—Sponsored by Medtronic
Engages Japanese cardiothoracic surgeons in an interactive educational opportunity to observe and converse with specialists in the treatment of heart valve disease or advanced minimally invasive thoracic surgery at select host institutions in North America.

Summer Intern Scholarship—Supported by Scanlan
Provides first- and second-year medical students with an eight-week summer internship in an AATS member’s cardiothoracic surgery department.

Research Scholarship
Supports North American surgeons with a two-year grant of $80,000 each year to pursue research, training, and clinical experience.

Surgical Investigator Program
Provides up to $50,000 annually to support innovative clinical or translational research by young cardiothoracic surgeons for up to two years.

*Please note that this year’s fall award timeline may be impacted by COVID-19.

The Western Thoracic Surgical Association

Save the Date

WTSA 47th Annual Meeting
June 23-26, 2021
Fairmont Empress
Victoria, BC, Canada

WTSA Traveling Fellowship for Residents, Trainees, and Practicing Surgeons
The goal of this traveling fellowship is to promote interaction and learning between residents/trainees/practicing surgeons and WTSA members. The traveling fellow will visit a University-affiliated or academic practice of his/her choosing, within the boundaries of the WTSA, for a period of one to two weeks, under the sponsorship of a Western member at the hosting institution. The traveling fellow does not need to be a WTSA member; the award is open to any resident/trainee/practicing surgeon. More details are available at westernthoracic.org. Application Deadline: December 15, 2020.

Applications for WTSA Membership
The WTSA is now accepting Applications for Membership online for Active as well as Candidate membership status