Finboard Travel Grant Q & A

Below are several common questions (and answers) about Finboard’s Travel Grant Program. If you have any other questions after reading this document, please email finboard@mit.edu

Q: What is the Travel Grant?
A: Typically, the Travel Grant is used to cover the expenses of conferences including travel and stay, but now it used to cover the cost of virtual conferences due to Covid-19.

Q: How does the Travel Grant work?
A: Anybody can sign up by filling out a Travel Grant application. Forms must be completed on an individual basis (even if you are a part of a club). Students who request funding will hear back from Finboard on the status of their application within a week, and reimbursements will be handled accordingly. Generally, the grant is oriented towards funding up to $1,000 but each case will be reviewed.

Q: I want to attend a conference unrelated to my major of study, will my application be accepted?
A: It depends upon the reasoning given in your application, but generally students receive funding for any professional or academic conference that will enhance their undergraduate experience beyond MIT campus.

Q: How do I get reimbursed for my payment for the conference?
A: Reimbursement are done on Atlas. Through Atlas, students should submit an RFP and forward it to a Finboard Travel Grant officer (afh@mit.edu, mercadol@mit.edu, tammbrm@mit.edu).