



**IUSSI and IUSSI-NAS**  
**West-Eberhard Prize for a Junior Scientist**  
**Applications due Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

The **Mary Jane West-Eberhard Prize for a Junior Scientist** was established by the IUSSI in 2018 and will be awarded for the first time in 2022. Members of all IUSSI sections have been invited to nominate promising junior scientists from any section to represent those sections. Junior members of IUSSI sections in good standing can also self-nominate to their section. If necessary, each section will rank candidates and put forward the highest-ranked candidate. The Secretary-General will convene a committee of Section Presidents, and this committee will review all valid nominations to identify the winner. **The successful candidate will be given a slot at the IX International Congress to present their work, and \$750.**

**\*Note:** This award is distinct from the North American Section's Mary Jane West-Eberhard Award, for the best paper published by a graduate student: <https://iussi.cyberbee.net/awards/west-eberhard-award-and-fundraising/>

**NAS-IUSSI nominee eligibility:**

- Must hold a PhD at the time of application.
- No more than 5 years may have passed since the nominee's PhD defense and the general announcement of the West-Eberhard Prize, made in November 2021 (PhDs awarded prior to November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 are ineligible). If a nominee has a gap in academic progress due to childcare, health, or other reasons, please provide these details in the application (100-word limit).
- Must be an IUSSI-NAS member. For membership information see: <http://iussi.cyberbee.net/member/>

**Nomination packages should include:**

- Name and curriculum vitae (C.V.) of the nominee.
- Brief research description (100-word limit)
- Major research contributions (100-word limit)
- Major service contributions (100-word limit)
- Evidence of intellectual independence (100-word limit)
- PDFs of up to three peer-reviewed publications (no pre-prints)
- Please provide the **name and contact information of one** professional mentor (PhD advisor, Postdoc advisor etc.) that can provide a letter detailing the intellectual role and independence of the applicant in their research and scholarship. Letters will be requested for finalists only.

**Nomination packages are due by 11:59 PM ET, February 28, 2022.** Please combine all materials into a single PDF (except the letter of support, which can be emailed directly by the letter writer). Materials should be submitted to Awards Committee Co-Chair, Floria Mora-Kepfer Uy ([floria.uy@rochester.edu](mailto:floria.uy@rochester.edu)). Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. IUSSI-NAS nominee(s) selected for general consideration across of IUSSI sections will be notified by March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022.