

Stephen E. Fienberg CSAFE Young Investigator Award

11th Annual International Conference on Forensic Inference and Statistics June 12-13, 2023 Lund University, Sweden

Who was Stephen Fienberg?

Stephen E. Fienberg was born in Toronto, Canada, on November 27, 1942, and died in his home in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on December 14, 2017. Steve received a PhD in Statistics from Harvard University, and held faculty positions in the University of Chicago, the University of Minnesota, and finally in Carnegie Mellon University, where he spent most of his career.

Steve was a pioneer in the development of Bayesian theory and methods, and in the principled application of statistics in a wide range of disciplines, including the law and public policy making. He was a tireless proponent of the use of Bayesian methods worldwide, and was among the first to implement them in forensic science and criminal justice problems. In particular, Steve was a founding co-Director of CSAFE, and its intellectual leader until his untimely death. Much of the research that is conducted by CSAFE researchers today was suggested by Steve's far-reaching ideas and grand vision for the Center, so his influence persists. In addition to being a ground-breaking statistician, Steve was a dedicated mentor for graduate students and young researchers in the United States and elsewhere, and helped many as they were launching their own careers. Thus, it is really fitting to have an award named after him that recognizes research excellence in forensic statistics among new investigators.

Who qualifies to receive the award?

Young investigators will be considered for the Stephen E. Fienberg CSAFE Young Investigator Travel Award. This award is supported by the Center for Statistics and Applications in Forensic Evidence (CSAFE) and is intended to (partially) cover travel expenses for young investigators who attend the 2023 ICFIS conference and present a poster or presentation. CSAFE will support up to \$1500 in travel expenses for the award winner. A committee will review relevant posters and presentations at the conference and the winner will be awarded a plaque at the end of the conference.

Young investigators are students at any level or scientists within 5 years of their terminal degree.

If you will be attending the 11th ICFIS in Lund, Sweden and wish to be considered for the award, please contact Profs. Alicia Carriquiry (<u>alicia@iastate.edu</u>) or Danica Ommen (<u>dmommen@iastate.edu</u>) no later than June 10, 2023.



Travel Reimbursement Guidelines

Making Travel Reservations

- 1. When making airline reservations, please book using coach class. CSAFE cannot reimburse for business class tickets.
- 2. If your ticket needs to include additional destinations for other work or personal reasons, please document a comparable flight that would have taken you directly to the conference and back.
- 3. Qualifying expenses include airfare, ground transportation, lodging, baggage fees, parking and meals associated with traveling to ICFIS. No alcohol will be reimbursed.
- 4. Please keep documentation of pre-payment you make for any reservations. You will be required to turn this in when requesting reimbursement.

After the Conference

- Please complete the reimbursement form within 15 days at https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/715ef39ac24b40adbd37232ec422490f
- CSAFE will reimburse you for up to \$1,500 in expenses via check.
- You will need to submit receipts for any expense over \$75. Meals will be paid on a per diem basis and receipts are not required.