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Students may apply for travel support to attend national or international professional conferences or competitions. To be eligible, a student must:

- be a full-time undergraduate student at the University of Kentucky
- have a faculty sponsor
- be registered for the conference or competition
- present (i.e., paper, poster, research, performance) and/or participate (orally)

During 2007-08, the Undergraduate Research and Travel Fund provided support to 31 undergraduates attending 19 different conferences and competitions. The students, 16 females and 15 males, were from 14 different departments in six different colleges, and ranged from first- to fourth-year students, demonstrating the ubiquity of scholarly inquiry at UK. This year, students traveled to conferences and competitions in Kentucky, Alabama, Alaska, California, Illinois, Louisiana, New Mexico, Texas, Scotland, and South Korea.

In addition to these 31 students, eUreKa! supported 21 students who were accepted to present their research at the National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR). NCUR is an annual conference of approximately 2000 undergraduate scholars who are selected competitively from among several thousand applicants. UK students have traditionally been highly successful in being chosen, compared to other peer research institutions, and eUreKa! is proud to be able to support those who attend. Several of the projects reported elsewhere in this volume of Kaleidoscope were presented at NCUR this year.