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The Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery
Robert Bucholz Orthopaedic Journal Club Support Program
for Residency Programs and Orthopaedic Societies

Deadline: September 30, 2026

The Journal of Bone & Joint Surgery (JBJS) is proud to sponsor The Robert Bucholz Orthopaedic Journal Club Support Program, which is intended to enhance orthopaedic training by providing educational information on managing an effective journal club and teaching participants how best to evaluate the current scientific literature.

Objective: To promote career-long skills in evaluating the orthopaedic literature as it impacts clinical decision making among orthopaedic residents and societies.

Mission: To promote increased use of high-quality orthopaedic literature as a basis for changes in practice decision-making.

Vision: To see increased dependence of orthopaedic residencies and societies on Journal Club activities to teach orthopaedic trainees skills to effectively evaluate the musculoskeletal literature.

APPLICATION DETAILS

- Deadline for Application: September 30, 2026
- Submission Instructions: Complete the application electronically, attach a copy of your organization's IRS Tax Determination letter, and email to journalclub@jbjs.org by the deadline.
- Funding Period: October 2026 - June 2027
- Amount: To be determined upon award

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- All eligibility items below are met (see below)
- Application (pages 4-6) is complete and emailed to journalclub@jbjs.org by deadline.
- A copy of the affiliated organization's IRS Tax Determination Letter is attached to application.

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicant must be a member of an orthopaedic or osteopathic residency training program or society.
- Applicant's organization must reside in the United States of America.
- Applicant's organization must be a 501(c)(3) organization that is tax exempt or affiliated with an organization as such, and provide a copy of its IRS Tax Determination Letter that proves nonprofit status (**W-2 forms will not be accepted**).
- A suitable mentor (program director, department chair, faculty member, or organizational leader) must sponsor the applicant (signature required on page 5).

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Purpose: The primary purpose of the support program is to bolster journal club activities. The support period is for one academic year. Funds can be used to support the journal club and participant education either directly or indirectly - approval by JBJS is not necessary. The overall goal of the Journal Club Support Program is to promote career-long skills in evaluating the orthopaedic literature as it relates to impact on clinical decision making among orthopaedic residents, surgeons, and societies. Specific objectives are:

- To provide participants with guidance in creating an effective journal club
- To teach residents and surgeons how to read and evaluate a scientific article
- To engender effective participation in the journal club process

JBJS believes that these objectives can be enhanced by inviting experienced orthopaedic journal editors and surgeons to participate in journal club and share with the participants their knowledge about the journal peer-review process. If your club needs suggestions for guest speakers, please reach out to us via email (journalclub@jbjs.org).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Review Procedure: A review committee identified by the Editor-in-Chief of *JBJS* will review the applications and select the award recipients.

Notification of Award: JBJS will notify each applicant within 30 days of the application deadline.

Payment Information: Proceeds of the Journal Club Support Program will be disbursed to each selected program in a single payment. The monetary check will be made to the department and will not provide for overhead expense payable to any institution. If the full amount of the funding is not used during the application year, the excess may be carried over to the next year.

Implementation Materials: Journal club aids, selected by the Editor-in-Chief of *The Journal of Bone & Joint Surgery*, are available online at <https://journals.lww.com/jbjsjournal/Pages/Resident-Resources.aspx>.

Survey of Recipients: As a requirement for funding, the applicant and mentor must agree to participate in periodic surveys conducted by JBJS, which will provide useful information pertinent to the mission of this organization and continuous improvement of the support program.

End-of-Year Evaluation: JBJS will send an evaluation form to each winner for completion by the end of the academic year. The evaluation form must be submitted by June 30, 2027.

Applicant Access to JBJS Clinical Classroom: The sole applicant will also have free access to the JBJS adaptive learning platform, Clinical Classroom. Access to the platform can be redeemed upon notification of granted funding. To extend this access to residency programs and colleagues via a free trial, please complete the form on <https://clinicalclassroom.jbjs.org/residency-program-contact-form/>

The Journal of Bone & Joint Surgery (JBJS) Orthopaedic Journal Club Application

Applications must be submitted by September 30, 2026

Award Amount: TBD	Date:
Date(s) of Program: October 2026 to June 2027	
Institution / Organization Name:	
Federal Tax ID #: Include a copy of your IRS Tax Determination Letter with this application. W-2 forms will not be accepted.	

This request is made by the undersigned, who agree to comply with the following:

It is understood and agreed to by the applicant: (1) that funds granted as a result of the request are to be expended for the purposes set forth herein; (2) that the applicant and mentor will participate in surveys conducted by JBJS periodically; and (3) that all clubs supported by any award made as a result of this request shall acknowledge such support provided by The Journal of Bone & Joint Surgery Education Fund.

Applicant's Name:
Mentor's Name:
Department Chair Name:
Number of Residents in Residency Program (if applicable):

Payment Information (Payee must be an organization, not an individual.)	
Payee for Check:	
Name of person to receive check:	Department:
	Organization:
Business Mailing Address:	City, State, Zip:
E-mail (required):	Phone:

Application Materials

Applicant Information:

Name:	Name of Organization:
Title:	Phone:
Department:	
Business Address:	City, State and Zip Code:
E-mail (required):	Signature:

Mentor Information:

Name:	Name of Organization:
Title:	Phone:
Department:	
Business Address:	City, State and Zip Code:
E-mail (required):	Signature:

Goals of the Journal Club Program: Please describe your journal club program's objectives and how these can best be accomplished by receipt of this funding.



Specific Method by which the Journal Club will be Conducted: Please outline your plans for organizing your journal club program. Specifics about the number of participants, frequency of the meetings, and program structure are required.

Budget: Please describe how the funds would be utilized. Acceptable expenses include activities that support the journal club: subscriptions to orthopaedic journals and resources, travel expenses for guest speakers, and costs of the club meetings (e.g., site rental, refreshments).

Participation: 1) Please let us know if your journal club has won this funding in the past and if so, how did you engage with JBJS and the provided resources (e.g., grant surveys, free access to JBJS Clinical Classroom, journal club article starters)?

2) How do you see your journal club engaging with JBJS during this program cycle?