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## Mission

The Wetland Foundation is a non-profit organization devoted to fostering wetland education and research, particularly in coastal marshes and mangrove forests.

Our mission is to enhance wetland education and research by:

- Supporting students of wetland science with limited resources by providing travel grants to attend conferences and to conduct field research
- Attracting promising students to wetland science through introductory field courses and research experiences
- Offering workshops that will provide students with skills to succeed in a wetland science career.
- Providing information about wetlands to students and the general public

# Apply for Grants

## Types of Grants

**Conference Travel Grant Type 1 (\$600):** For advanced undergraduate and graduate students who have never attended a wetland scientific conference and who have limited funds for travel.

**Conference Travel Grant Type 2 (\$1200):** For advanced undergraduate and graduate students with limited funding to present their wetland research findings at a conference.

**Field Travel Grant Type 1 (\$800):** For outstanding graduate students with limited funding to defray field expenses associated with thesis or dissertation research on wetlands.

**Field Travel Grant Type 2 (\$1000):** For promising undergraduate students to attend field courses focused on wetlands.

## How to Apply

The application package should include four components:

1. A 1-2 page resumé and a photograph (head and shoulders).
2. Transcripts of undergraduate and graduate (if applicable) records.
3. 2 letters of support, one from your department chair and/or advisor who can attest to your academic standing, academic financial status, and interest in wetlands. The letters must include departmental or official letterhead and complete contact information and should be sent separately by your references via email.
4. Description of how the grant would be spent (depends on type):

Conference Travel Grant Type 1: provide the name, the location, and the dates of the conference; in addition, provide a 1-2 paragraph description of why you want to attend this conference.

Conference Travel Grant Type 2: provide the name, the location, and the dates of the conference; in addition, provide the name of the paper you plan to present, names and contact information of other authors (if any), and a copy of the abstract to be submitted.

Field Travel Grant Type 1: provide a 2-page description of your research and how the grant would be used.

Field Travel Grant Type 2: provide information about the field course (what, when, where, how much) and a 1-page description of why you want to take this course and what you expect to get out of the experience.

### Who Can Apply

Any student currently enrolled full-time at an academic institution in the USA and who meets the specific criteria for one of the types of grants listed to the left.

### Selection Criteria:

1. Demonstrated interest in wetland science. Travel grants are to support participation in wetland science education and research activities. The successful grantee will demonstrate this interest in the application package.
2. Demonstrated intent to use the grant for wetland science-related activities. The successful grantee will clearly document this intent in the application package.
3. Demonstrated aptitude to succeed in a wetland science career. The successful grantee will clearly document their potential to succeed in pursuit of a career in wetland science.
4. Demonstrated need for the grant. Travel grants are meant to aid promising students with limited travel funds. The successful grantee will demonstrate need in the application package and document it through letters of support.



Send the application package to [thewetlandfoundation@mac.com](mailto:thewetlandfoundation@mac.com) by July 31, 2008.