

Wildlife Toxicology Student Conference Registration Award

The TWS Wildlife Toxicology Working Group (WTWG) has created a program to support and encourage attendance by student members at TWS Annual Conferences. Specifically, these awards are intended to support conference attendance by students interested in wildlife toxicology. Support is provided via awards to cover student conference registration expenses (up to **\$275**). It is anticipated that two (2) registration awards will be made to students for the TWS 23rd Annual Conference in Raleigh, NC, October 15-19th, 2016.

Requirements and Limitations:

Applicant must be a current TWS member in good standing. Both undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to apply. Evidence of monetary support (from the student, the student's institution, advisor, or other sources) to cover expenses beyond conference registration must be provided. Applicants for student conference registration awards do not have to make a platform or poster presentation at the TWS Annual Conference, although it is highly recommended.

Application Materials:

Each student's application for a student conference registration award must be completed by the **Student Conference Registration Award Application Deadline of June 15, 2016**. Failure to meet the deadline or to follow instructions invalidates the application.

The following materials comprise a complete application package:

- Statement confirming current TWS membership;
- If presenting, abstract or brief summary of planned poster or platform presentation;
- A statement of the applicant's research goals, interests, and accomplishments (250 word maximum);
- A statement of the applicant's reason(s) for wanting to attend the TWS Annual Conference (250 word maximum); and
- Letter of recommendation: a supporting statement by the applicant's research advisor or student chapter advisor (one-page maximum), including evidence of the required monetary support of remaining travel expenses.

Evaluation Procedures:

Members of the TWS WTWG board will evaluate and rank all applications. The number of awards will be limited by available funds and applicants will be ranked on the basis of the following criteria:

- Completeness and timeliness of the application package
- Organization and presentation of statement of goals, interests, and accomplishments
- Organization and presentation of statement explaining applicant's interest in attending the conference
- Evidence of other monetary support to attend the conference

To Submit: Complete applications should be submitted to WTWGboard@gmail.com. Please direct any questions about these awards to WTWGboard@gmail.com or Kristin Falcone at kristin.falcone@gmail.com.

ALL applications must be submitted by 11:59pm ET June 30, 2016.