

## Funding for taxonomy and biodiversity (listing only)

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## General websites

- **Biology Browser:**  
Thomson Biology Browser is a free database of biology resources and web links (references, databases, jobs, journals, etc.)  
<http://www.biologybrowser.org/>
- **BP Conservation Programme, List International Conservation Funders:**  
The programme has established a list of potential funders in the field of nature conservation, biodiversity research, etc.  
[http://conservation.bp.com/pdfs/potential\\_funders.pdf](http://conservation.bp.com/pdfs/potential_funders.pdf)
- **Conservation Finance Alliance:**  
The CFA encourages and enhances collaboration among institutions and organizations involved in the sustainable financing of biodiversity conservation. <http://www.conservationfinance.org/>
- **Conservation Finance Guide:**  
The Guide covers a cross section of finance mechanisms in the field of biodiversity (conservation trust funds, tourism user fees, debt-for-nature swaps, the GEF, bilateral donor agencies, etc.) and contains highly practical, user-friendly tools to support the use of these mechanisms. <http://guide.conservationfinance.org/>
- **East Asia and Pacific Environmental Initiative:**  
This initiative provides an 'International Development Aid Donor Internet Guide' for East Asia and the Pacific. Comprehensive, annotated links to dozens of donors present on the web.  
<http://eapei.home.att.net/dpsites.htm>
- **GrantsNet:**  
This is a web resource established by the magazine *Science* to find funds for training in the sciences and undergraduate science education. <http://sciencecareers.sciencemag.org/funding/>
- **IUCN Species Survival Commission Member's Toolkit:**  
SSC Members' Toolkit, a package of information designed to help our network in critical areas such as fundraising and communication. Especially relevant: A Guide to Seeking Funding from Foundations.  
[http://www.iucn.org/themes/ssc/for\\_members/toolkit.htm](http://www.iucn.org/themes/ssc/for_members/toolkit.htm)  
[http://www.iucn.org/themes/ssc/for\\_members/foundations.htm](http://www.iucn.org/themes/ssc/for_members/foundations.htm)
- **SciDev:**  
The Science and Development Network (SciDev.Net) aims to provide reliable and authoritative information about science and technology for the developing world. It maintains a section on granting opportunities (only calls that are open are posted on the website)  
<http://www.scidev.net/Grants>
- **Simbiota:**  
The 89 organizations in this list would consider funding proposals from Neotropical scientists or conservationists if those proposals matched their application guidelines. Application forms and more complete information on guidelines can be obtained directly from each organization at the address provided.  
<http://wildlife.wisc.edu/simbiota/s-list.htm>

## **Thematic websites**

- **Grants, Awards, & Prizes in Ornithology:**  
The list of funding sources is maintained by Dr. Robert L. Curry on the BIRDNET website. The site is a service of the Ornithological Council.  
<http://www.nmnh.si.edu/BIRDNET/Grants/index.html>
- **Grants in Herpetology:**  
The Center for North American Herpetology lists a number of grant and fellowships opportunities for the study of reptiles and amphibians. Many are centered on North America but a number are also opened to an international audience.  
<http://www.cnah.org/grant.asp>
- **FAO-CPF Forestry Funding Database:**  
A valuable starting point in the search for funding opportunities, this database provides relevant and up-to-date information on the types of funding available for sustainable forest management activities.  
<http://www.fao.org/forestry/foris/webview/cpf/index.jsp?siteId=2225&sitetreeId=17254&langId=1&geoId=0>
- **Overview of funding agencies that fund forest-related projects (latest update is from 2005!):**  
[http://www.bothends.org/service/overview\\_of\\_funding\\_agencies\\_2005.htm](http://www.bothends.org/service/overview_of_funding_agencies_2005.htm)
- **Tropical Forest Research Funding Opportunities:**  
The European Tropical Forest Research Network (ETFRN) has established a webpage on European and international funding sources targeting (sub-)tropical forest research.  
<http://www.etfrn.org/ETFRN/resource/frames/linkfund.html>

## Organisations websites

This section lists websites of foundations, scientific institutions, international organisations and others.

Name	Url	Description
Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia	<a href="http://www.anasp.org/research/opportunities/index.php">http://www.anasp.org/research/opportunities/index.php</a>	<p><a href="#">Böhlke Memorial Endowment Fund</a>: This fund provides support for graduate students and recent postdoctoral researchers in Ichthyology</p> <p><a href="#">Eckelberry Fellowship</a>: This program provides support for wildlife artists to develop their work through exposure to museum collections and/or field work.</p> <p><a href="#">Employment</a>: Current openings in the Center for Systematic Biology, Laboratory for Molecular Systematics and Ecology, and the Patrick Center for Environmental Research.</p> <p><a href="#">Gallagher Fellowship</a>: This fellowship provides support for original postdoctoral or sabbatical research on the systematics of microscopic invertebrates with priority for the study of rotifers.</p> <p><a href="#">Internships</a>: Current listing of research internships for college students and graduates.</p> <p><a href="#">Jessup/McHenry Awards</a>: These awards are for researcher wishing to conduct studies at the postgraduate, doctoral and postdoctoral levels under supervision of the curatorial staff.</p> <p><a href="#">Undergraduate Research</a>: The 10-week summer internships for undergraduates are part of the NSF's Research Programs for Undergraduates (REU).</p>
Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS) -  Formerly the Third World Academy of Sciences	<a href="http://www.ictp.trieste.it/~twas/Activities.html">http://www.ictp.trieste.it/~twas/Activities.html</a>	<p>The Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS) promotes scientific capacity and excellence for sustainable development in the South.</p> <p><a href="#">TWAS Prizes</a>: Each year the Academy awards 8 prizes of US\$10,000 each to individual scientists from developing countries who have made outstanding contributions to knowledge in biology, chemistry, mathematics, physics, agricultural sciences, earth sciences, engineering sciences, and medical sciences. Deadline for nominations: 31 March.</p> <p><a href="#">The Trieste Science Prize</a>: Two prizes will be given annually to eminent scientists living and working in developing countries who have made significant contributions to global science. Each prize carries a US\$50,000 award. Deadline: 31 March.</p> <p><a href="#">TWAS Research Grants</a>: Research grants of up to US\$10,000 each are offered to scientists from developing countries of proven ability for research projects in Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics. The Grants are intended to cover the costs of specialized</p>

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equipment, essential consumable material, and scientific literature. Deadlines: 1 July and 1 December each year.

[TWAS Research Units in Least Developed Countries](#): The initiative is meant to build and sustain units of scientific excellence, assisting them to achieve a critical mass of highly qualified and innovative scientists who will be able to better address real-life problems facing the countries. Each TWAS research unit selected receives a grant of up to \$30,000 to strengthen its activities. The grant can be renewed for up to three years. The deadline for submissions is 31 August of each year.

[Spare Parts for Scientific Equipment](#): The Academy provides funds for covering the cost of small items of spare parts for scientific equipment in Third World institutions, up to a maximum of US\$1,000 each. Deadline: none.

[ICTP-TWAS electronic Journals Delivery Service](#): The programme is geared to facilitate the access to current scientific literature for free, by distributing individual scientific articles via e-mail to scientists in institutions in the South that do not have sufficient bandwidth to download material from the Internet in a timely manner and/or cannot afford the connection. Deadline: none.

[Support for International Scientific Meetings](#): The Academy provides financial support in the form of travel grants for principal speakers from abroad and/or participants from the region. Important: TWAS can only provide support to organizers of scientific events held in Third World countries to enable scientists from developing countries to attend their meetings. In other words, TWAS does not provide support to individual scientists wishing to attend a scientific event, even if the event is taking place in a developing country. Deadlines for applications: 1 June for meetings to be held during January-June of the following year, and 1 December for meetings to be held during July-December of the following year.

[Fellowships and Associateships](#): many possibilities, among others for country nationals from Brazil, China, India or for study opportunities in these countries.

[TWOWS Postgraduate Training Fellowships at Centres of Excellence in the South for Women Scientists in Sub-Saharan Africa or Least Developed Countries \(LDC\)](#): The Third World Organization for Women in Science (TWOWS) has a fellowship programme for female students from Sub-Saharan Africa or Least Developed Countries (LDCs) who wish to pursue postgraduate training in natural sciences leading to a doctorate degree at a centre of excellence in the South outside their own country. WOMEN ONLY. Deadline 30 May each year.

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[TWAS Fellowships for Research and Advanced Training](#): TWAS provides travel support to scientists in developing countries to enable them to spend between 3 and 12 months at a research institution in a developing country other than their own. The fellowship includes a contribution towards subsistence costs up to US\$300.00 per month. Living expenses are borne by local sources. Deadline 1 October each year.

[TWAS-UNESCO Associateship Scheme](#): TWAS enables competent researchers from Least Developed Countries to visit centres of expertise in the South. An associate is appointed for 3 years during which he/she can visit a centre twice for research collaboration. Over 100 centres have been selected to participate in the scheme. TWAS provides travel support and a contribution towards subsistence costs up to US\$300 per month. Living expenses are covered by the host centres. Deadline 1 December each year.

[ICSU-TWAS-UNESCO-UNU/IAS Visiting Scientist Programme](#): This programme provides institutions and research groups in developing countries (especially the Least Developed Countries and those with limited outside contacts) with the opportunity to establish long-term links with world leaders in areas of science other than mathematics and physics, and so help develop capacity-building in their country. Last known deadline 1 October 2006.

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African Biodiversity Information Centre (ABIC)      See Royal Museum for Central Africa

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African Bird Club      <http://www.africanbirdclub.org/>      ABC raises money to support conservation projects in Africa through the Conservation Fund, encourages an interest in the conservation of the birds of the region and searches actively for globally threatened and near-threatened species.  
[ABC Expedition Award](#): The African Bird Club Expedition Award is an annual award of £1000 (US\$1500) for larger, more ambitious projects. The expedition must be conservation based with a strong bird component and take place within continental Africa or adjacent islands.  
[ABC Conservation Awards](#): The Club aims to encourage as wide a range of ideas as possible. Many different types of project can be considered so long as there is a clear conservation objective. These could include: survey and research into African birds, educational projects or training courses, production of guides to the common birds of a country in local languages, interpretation material for nature reserves ; other ideas will be considered.

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African Development Foundation      <http://www.adf.gov/>      The African Development Foundation (ADF) is the only U.S. government agency working solely at the grassroots level in Africa

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to alleviate poverty and promote broad-based sustainable development. Over the past 20 years, ADF has funded more than 1,500 community-based projects, with 250 projects currently receiving support.

[ADF Participatory Development Program](#): ADF provides funding to African-owned businesses and community-based organizations for projects that provide direct benefit to the economically marginalized. ADF aims to empower grassroots communities with the skills and knowledge to help themselves.

[ADF Enterprise Development Program](#): The development of small and micro enterprises in Africa has broad macro and micro economic benefits, as well as social and environmental benefits. Because SMEs are a vital source of employment and income in most African countries, increasing their productivity and profitability is critical for broad-based economic growth and poverty alleviation.

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African Network of  
Scientific and  
Technological  
Institutions (ANSTI) <http://www.ansti.org/>

ANSTI is an organ of cooperation that embraces African institutions engaged in University level training and research in the fields of science and technology. To-date it has 109 member institutions in thirty five (35) countries in sub-Saharan Africa.

[Fellowships](#): Each year a limited number of postgraduate fellowships with the support of DAAD of Germany are available for the staff members of ANSTI member institutions.

[Conference grants](#): Academic staff of ANSTI member institutions can also benefit from conference grants (a maximum amount of award being \$2,500) to attend international meetings where they will present papers.

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African Wildlife  
Foundation - <http://www.awf.org/section/people/education/charlotte>  
Charlotte Fellowships

In 1996, AWF introduced the Charlotte Conservation Fellows program to provide support for African nationals pursuing Masters degrees or doctoral research. Charlotte Fellowships enable recipients to improve their qualifications, update their skills, acquire the latest information on natural resource management and adapt new technologies to their work. The Program is committed to enhancing the effectiveness and impact of African nationals in the field of conservation through the increased knowledge, skills, and credentials obtained through an advanced degree. Each year, AWF supports as many as five Charlotte Fellows. While expenses and materials vary according to recipient, scholarships are awarded for amounts up to \$25,000. Since its inception, the program has helped 41 students from East, West, central, and southern Africa pursue graduate degrees in fields ranging from biology and conservation economics to enterprise development and community conservation.

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Alcoa Foundation <http://www.alcoafoundationfello> Alcoa Foundation has launched a unique \$8.6 million signature

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program that is international in its focus to advance the knowledge and support for exemplary work in the field of conservation and sustainability through fellowships to outstanding academics and practitioners from non-governmental organizations (NGO). By bringing together the academic, NGO and business communities, Alcoa Foundation's program will be a new model of effective private philanthropic action to address urgent problems of global concern. Over six years, the program will support the research activities of approximately 30 academics and 60 practitioners from around the world. Five Academic Partners will form Sustainability Cabinets to support the work of the Academic Fellows, and three Sustainability Institutes will support the work of the Practitioner Fellows. Conferences and networking opportunities will build connections among participants and key stakeholders.

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Alexander Abraham  
Foundation

<http://www.aabrahamfoundation.org>

AAF is dedicated to conserving the environment without boundaries and to defending indigenous wildlife with an emphasis on protection of endangered species.

[AAF Awards:](#)

The Abraham Award focuses on honoring grassroots activists in whatever area of environmentalism they make a significant contribution. In addition to public recognition, winners receive a cash award and certificates. The recognition through these awards is also meant to inspire, sustain and motivate future conservation efforts in the region.

[AAF Grantees:](#) AAF pursues its mission at the local level by establishing relationships with partner organizations that work in the field and on the ground in Central and Western Africa, and in Asia. Beyond providing funding for projects, AAF provides consulting service for grantees.

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Alexander von  
Humboldt Foundation

<http://www.avh.de/en/programme/index.htm>

[Humboldt Research Fellowships](#) for highly qualified, foreign scientists and scholars of all nationalities and disciplines holding doctorates, aged up to 40, from abroad for a long-term research stay in Germany (up to 600 fellowships per annum).  
[Georg Forster Research Fellowships](#) for highly qualified scholars from developing countries, aged up to 45, for a long-term research stay in Germany (up to 60 fellowships per annum).  
[Humboldt Research Awards](#) for internationally recognized scientists and scholars who are resident outside Germany  
[Helmholtz Humboldt Research Awards](#) for internationally acknowledged scientists who are resident outside Germany  
[Sofja Kovalevskaja Awards](#) for younger outstanding scientists and scholars from all countries and from all disciplines

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[Friedrich Wilhelm Bessel Research Awards](#) for younger outstanding scientists and scholars who are resident outside Germany

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American Association  
for the Advancement  
of Science <http://www.aaas.org/>

The American Association for the Advancement of Science is dedicated to advancing science around the world by serving as an educator, leader, spokesperson and professional association. [AAAS Award for International Scientific Cooperation](#): AAAS seeks to recognize an individual or a limited number of individuals working together in the scientific or engineering community for making an outstanding contribution to furthering international cooperation in science and engineering. [AAAS Scientific Freedom and Responsibility Award](#): The Award recognizes scientists and engineers who have: acted to protect the public's health, safety, or welfare; focused public attention on important potential impacts of science and technology on society by their responsible participation in public policy debates.

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American Bird  
Conservancy <http://www.abcbirds.org/>

American Bird Conservancy (ABC-US) is a not-for-profit organization, whose mission is to conserve wild birds and their habitats throughout the Americas. The [ABC William Belton Small Grants Fund](#) provides support for projects benefiting avian conservation in Latin America and the Caribbean, in partnership with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. Priorities include conservation action and research for threatened species and habitats, as well as training and environmental education.

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American Museum of  
Natural History - <http://research.amnh.org/grants/index.html>  
General programs

The American Museum of Natural History offers competitive grants and fellowships in areas broadly related to its scientific and educational objectives. These areas include the fields of vertebrate zoology, invertebrate zoology, paleozoology, anthropology, astrophysics and earth and planetary sciences. The [Grants Program](#) offers modest, short-term awards to advanced graduate students and postdoctoral researchers to cover research expenses:

- The [Frank M. Chapman Memorial Grants](#) support and foster research in ornithology, both neontological and paleontological
- The [Lerner-Gray Grants for Marine Research](#) provide financial assistance to highly qualified persons starting careers in marine zoology. Support is limited to projects dealing with systematics, evolution, ecology and field-oriented behavioral studies of marine animals. Awards are not made to support research in botany and biochemistry.
- The [Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Grants](#) offer financial support to individuals for research on North American fauna in any

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phase of wildlife conservation or natural history related to the activities of the American Museum. Projects dealing with ornithology should be submitted to the Frank M. Chapman Memorial Grants.

- Collection Study Grants provide financial assistance to enable predoctoral and recent postdoctoral investigators to study any of the scientific collections at the American Museum. These collections are in Anthropology, Astrophysics, Earth and Planetary Sciences, Entomology, Herpetology and Ichthyology, Invertebrates, Mammalogy, Ornithology, Vertebrate Paleontology.

The Research Fellowship Program offers salary and modest expenses to a scholar to carry out a specific project within a prescribed time period at the American Museum or one of its field stations. The project must fit into the areas of vertebrate zoology, invertebrate zoology, paleozoology, anthropology, astrophysics, and earth and planetary sciences.

The Graduate Student Fellowship Program offers stipend and health benefits to Ph.D. candidates training in those scientific disciplines practiced at the Museum. The student must gain admission to one of four universities participating in this Program, and apply to and be approved by the Museum.

The Annette Kade Graduate Student Fellowship Program, to partner with French and German institutions and permit an exchange of graduate students. This program will allow AMNH graduate students to spend 3 months during the year at a selected university in France or Germany and would also allow 2 French and German students to come here for 3 months.

The Research Experiences for Undergraduates Program is supported by a grant from the National Science Foundation and offers summer internships to qualified undergraduate students. During a 10 week period students participate actively as researchers on projects with Museum scientists in Evolutionary Biology or in Physical Sciences. Students must be US citizens enrolled as an undergraduate in a university or college at the time of application.

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American Museum of Natural History - <http://research.amnh.org/swrs/research.htm#funding>

Southwestern Research Station

The Station has funds available for graduate students and post-doctoral students conducting projects in the southwestern U.S. through the SWRS Student Support Fund grant.

1. If you are working on birds, go to the AMNH web page <http://research.amnh.org/grants> and download the Chapman grant form. Fill it out and send it back to the AMNH. You must write on the top of the application form that you will be working at the SWRS. Applications are due 15 November of each year.

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2. If you are working on invertebrates or vertebrates (not birds), go to the AMNH web page <http://research.amnh.org/grants> and download the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Fund grant form. Fill it out and send it back to the AMNH. You must write on the top of the application that you will be working at the SWRS. Applications are due February 15 of each year.

3. If you are working on flora, download the Theodore Roosevelt grant fund application (see #2 above) and send it directly to the SWRS, not the AMNH. The AMNH does not have an application for plants. Applications are due February 15 of each year.

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American Ornithology Union <http://www.aou.org/>

The American Ornithologists' Union is the oldest and largest organization in the New World devoted to the scientific study of birds.

Student research awards:

The Josselyn Van Tyne Memorial Research Fund, Alexander Wetmore Memorial Research Fund, Margaret Morse Nice Fund, Donald L. Bleitz Fund, Herbert and Betty Carnes Fund, and AOU Research Grants Fund provide research funds for student members of the American Ornithologists' Union or other members without access to funds from major granting agencies. The Van Tyne, Bleitz, and Research Grants funds provide support for research in all areas of avian biology. The Wetmore Memorial Fund supports research in avian systematics, paleo-ornithology, biogeography, and neotropical biology. The Margaret Morse Nice Fund is designated to encourage ornithological research by female graduate students. In addition, research awards from the Carnes bequest to the AOU are available. As stipulated in Betty Carnes' will, recipients of this award must be females and non-smokers (i.e., have not smoked for at least the previous six months).

The AOU Committee on Research Awards will accept only one application per applicant per year. After evaluating and ranking all proposals, the Chair of the Committee will determine which fund is most appropriate for supporting the top proposals. Thus, applicants need not indicate that they are applying for a particular award. Applicants wishing to be considered for money from the Carnes fund (in addition to the other awards) must, however, indicate this on the cover page. The Committee will likely award about 28 - 30 grants in 2007. Awards are made in amounts up to a maximum of \$1,800.

International Grants Program: This program supports Western Hemisphere Professional Ornithological Societies through funding of activities to develop infrastructure, train ornithologists, and build strategic partnerships within the Western Hemisphere. It

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also funds the participation by representatives of non-North American ornithological organizations in meetings or workshops that are held in conjunction with a North American Ornithological Conference (NOAC). Proposals will be considered for grants in the amount of \$1000-3000, for a period of one year?

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American Philosophical Society <http://www.amphilsoc.org/grants/lewisandclark.htm>

The Lewis and Clark Fund of the American Philosophical Society encourages exploratory field studies for the collection of specimens and data and to provide the imaginative stimulus that accompanies direct observation. Applications are invited from disciplines with a large dependence on field studies, such as archaeology, anthropology, biology, ecology, geography, geology, linguistics, and palaeontology, but grants will not be restricted to these fields. Grants are available to doctoral students and postdoctoral fellows. Applicants may be residents of the United States or American citizens resident abroad. Foreign nationals are eligible to apply for projects to be carried out in the United States.

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American Society of Mammalogists <http://www.mammalsociety.org/>

The American Society of Mammalogists promotes the study of mammals.

[Latin American Student Field Research Award](#): The Latin American Student Field Research Award is made annually to support field research projects by Latin Americans in Latin America. Eligible students must be citizens of Latin American countries (excluding Puerto Rico) and currently enrolled in a graduate program. Projects must be field-oriented investigations of natural history, conservation, ecology, systematics, wildlife biology, biogeography, or behavior.

[The Oliver P. Pearson Award](#): The Oliver P. Pearson award supports a young professional who holds an academic or curatorial position in a Latin American institution within 5 years of receiving a Ph.D. or equivalent degree. The funds may be used to carry out field work, purchase supplies or specialized equipment, attend scientific meetings, visit collections or other academic institutions, and other research-related activities.

Other grants and awards available ([Graduate Honoraria](#), [American Society of Mammalogists Fellowship](#), [ASM Grants-in Aid](#), [Merriam Award](#), [Joseph Grinnell Award](#))

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American Wildlife Research Foundation <http://www.americanwildlifeconservationfoundation.org/grants.htm>

Our mission is to enhance fish and wildlife resources, with an emphasis on North America, through funding research, education and conservation initiatives.

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Andrew W. Mellon Foundation - [http://www.mellon.org/internet/grant\\_programs/programs/conservation](http://www.mellon.org/internet/grant_programs/programs/conservation)

This program is devoted to basic research on how natural ecosystems work. It emphasizes support of leading institutions, innovative research, and the training of promising doctoral and

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Section: Conservation  
and the Environment

post-doctoral researchers. We limit our activities to the United States and joint projects with institutions in South Africa that are linked to our other activities there. Funds have typically been used to support the direct costs of research and postdoctoral or student researchers. Overhead or indirect costs are not allowed and if tuition is included, we expect the institution to divide that cost equally with us. The proposed research must be in the field of plant ecosystem ecology—here we include soils ecology, and plant and ecosystem processes.

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Animal Behavior  
Society -  
  
Research Grants

<http://www.animalbehavior.org/ABS/Grants/>

The purpose of the Animal Behavior Society is to promote and encourage the biological study of animal behavior in the broadest sense, including studies at all levels of organization using both descriptive and experimental methods under natural and controlled conditions. Information on several grants and job opportunities The 'Developing Nations Research Grants' are particularly interesting. It should be noted that only members of the Animal Behavior Society who are residents of a developing nation and are conducting research at an institution in a developing nation are eligible to apply. Maximum awards range around US \$700.

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Arcadia  
  
(formerly the Lisbet  
Rausing Charitable  
Fund)

<http://www.arcadiatrust.org/>

Arcadia is a grant-making fund that primarily supports programmes that preserve cultural and social knowledge, or protect natural diversity. We also promote human rights and free societies. To protect ecosystems and cultural traditions which are threatened with extinction, we work with academic institutions and non-governmental organisations (NGOs) that operate in a cost-effective, scientifically sound and ethical manner. Thus we support museums, archives and universities that safeguard and research cultural materials. In environmental conservation, we foster links between scientific research and fieldwork; create networks of conservationists; and help connect conservationists with the wider academic, political and business world. We also promote education and training in the field, and protect threatened ecosystems through land purchases, set-asides and land management agreements.

Environmental Conservation:

Programmes that protect and enhance biodiversity, and provide field training and academic research.

[Protecting Cultural Knowledge:](#)

Programmes that protect and disseminate cultural knowledge.

[Defending Human Rights:](#)

Programmes that support free and equal societies.

[Supporting Education and Research:](#)

Universities, think-tanks and charities which promote independent

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		research. <u>Promoting Philanthropy:</u> Organisations which encourage charitable giving and voluntary work, both directly and by research.
Archbold Biological Station - Research internships	<a href="http://www.archbold-station.org/abs/intervol/internevres.htm">http://www.archbold-station.org/abs/intervol/internevres.htm</a>	The goals of Archbold's Internship Program are to train students to develop independent research skills and to foster positive professional interactions between Interns and (a) their supervisors, (b) resident staff and visiting scientists, and (c) other Interns. Visiting college classes and two seminar series each year provide additional opportunities for professional growth.
Association of African Universities - Ford Foundation International Fellowships programme in West Africa	<a href="http://www.aau.org/ifp/">http://www.aau.org/ifp/</a>	The International Fellowships Programme (IFP) of the Ford Foundation is a programme representing the largest single program ever supported by the Foundation. Through the IFP, Ford is investing over \$350 million within a period of 15 years to provide support for up to three years of formal post-baccalaureate study for Fellows from countries in Africa, Middle East, Asia, Latin America, and Russia. In West Africa, the AAU coordinates IFP activities in Ghana, Nigeria and Senegal. It is expected that 45 Fellowships will be awarded in West Africa for the 2008/9 academic year.
Association of Field Ornithology (AFO)	<a href="http://www.afonet.org/english/about.html">http://www.afonet.org/english/about.html</a>	AFO and its members contribute to ornithology by: * awarding annual grants for students and amateurs from the E. Alexander Bergstrom Research Fund. * awarding the Alexander F. Skutch Award for excellence in neotropical ornithology
Audubon Naturalist Society of the Central Atlantic States - The Crowder-Messersmith Conservation Fund	<a href="http://www.audubonnaturalist.org/cgi-bin/mesh/special_interests/crowdermessersmith">http://www.audubonnaturalist.org/cgi-bin/mesh/special_interests/crowdermessersmith</a>	The Crowder-Messersmith Conservation Fund helps small, mostly local, conservation and/or education projects in underdeveloped countries. Its small grants give a leg up to communities and individuals whose projects have not attracted major support from other sources. Grants have helped more than 75 projects with start-up costs since 1974, when Dr. Donald Messersmith established this memorial to his friend and collaborator Orville Crowder. The Audubon Naturalist Society has administered it since 1999.
Australian Agency for International Development	<a href="http://www.aisaid.gov.au/scholar/">http://www.aisaid.gov.au/scholar/</a>	AusAID is the Australian Government agency responsible for managing Australia's overseas aid program. The objective of the program is to assist developing countries reduce poverty and achieve sustainable development. <u>Australian Scholarships:</u> Australian Scholarships is an Australian Government initiative to build partnerships and increase mutual understanding, knowledge and innovation in the Asia Pacific region. Other AusAID Scholarships: <a href="#">Pacific Islands Scholarships for</a>

		<a href="#">Governance Program</a> , <a href="#">Australian Regional Development Scholarships</a> , <a href="#">Australian Partnership Scholarships</a> , <a href="#">Carnegie Mellon University-AusAID Scholarships</a>
Bat Conservation International	<a href="http://www.batcon.org/home/default.asp">http://www.batcon.org/home/default.asp</a>	<p>The mission of Bat Conservation International is to protect and restore bats and their habitats worldwide. Three funding possibilities available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Student Scholarship Program</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Global Grassroots Bat Conservation Fund</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">North American Bat Conservation Partnership</a></li> </ul>
Bay and Paul Foundation	<a href="http://www.bayandpaulfoundation.org/">http://www.bayandpaulfoundation.org/</a>	<p>The <a href="#">Bay Biodiversity Leadership Awards</a> aim to advance the careers of individuals with proven capacity to help stem the loss of biological diversity, and to promote the application of scientific rigor to the complex issues surrounding the on-going extinction crisis. Applications are not accepted (we work on nominations only).</p> <p>In addition, we continue to make <a href="#">small grants for research and intervention efforts</a> on behalf of endangered species both in the United States and internationally. We request projects outside of the United States to have as a sponsoring agency a fiscally responsible organization with tax-exempt certification from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. Our typical first-time grants range from \$3,000 to \$10,000.</p>
Belgian Science Policy -  Postdoc fellowships to non-EU researchers	<a href="http://www.belspo.be/belspo/home/calls/postdoc_en.stm">http://www.belspo.be/belspo/home/calls/postdoc_en.stm</a>	<p>The Belgian Science Policy Office implements a fellowship scheme for highly qualified researchers (i.e. postdoctoral level or equivalent experience) from specific regions, granting them an opportunity to work during 6 to 12 months in a Belgian research team. Eligible countries: Eastern Europe (non-EU members), New Independent States of the Former Soviet Union, Egypt, Jordan, Morocco, Tunisia, Turkey, Burundi, Congo, Rwanda, South Africa, Latin America (all countries).</p>
Bird Studies Canada -  James L. Baillie Memorial Fund for Bird Research and Preservation	<a href="http://www.bsc-eoc.org/organization/jlbmf.html">http://www.bsc-eoc.org/organization/jlbmf.html</a>	<p>The Baillie Fund currently has three granting programs: Regular Grants Program; Small Grants Program; and Baillie Graduate Student Award for Field Research. The application and review process is different for each grant program. Read the following material to decide which grant program your project fits (if you aren't sure contact the Baillie Fund Secretary by email <a href="mailto:ahagy@bsc-eoc.org">ahagy@bsc-eoc.org</a> or telephone at 519-586-3531). Applications are available on the Baillie Fund web page. Follow the application form and process for the grant program you are applying to.</p>
BP Conservation Program	<a href="http://conservation.bp.com/">http://conservation.bp.com/</a>	<p>The BP Conservation Programme (BPCP) supports and encourages conservation projects that address global conservation priorities at a local level. The Programme aims to contribute to long-term environmental conservation and sustainable development in priority</p>

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areas by encouraging and engaging potential leaders in biodiversity conservation, and providing opportunities for them to gain practical skills and experience. This is achieved through a comprehensive system of grants, advice and training.

Browse for:

- Future Conservationist Awards
- Conservation Follow-up Awards
- Conservation Leadership Awards
- WCS Research Fellowship Program awards
- Kate Stokes Memorial Award

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British Ecological Society

<http://www.britishecologicalsociety.org/articles/grants/>

The British Ecological Society promotes the study of ecology in its widest sense. The Society currently has around 4,500 members spread around the world. It provides many grants, some of which are restricted to the UK while others are open to residents worldwide.

[Research grants:](#)

Early Career Project Grants; Overseas Bursary; Fellowship Scheme; Small Ecological Project Grants; Coalbourn Educational Awards; Expedition Grants; Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology Fellowship; Ecology into Policy Grant; Field Experience grant

[Ecological Education Grants:](#)

Education and Research Grants; School Ground Developments; Primary School Field work or Nature Visit; Field Equipment Grant; Professional Development Courses in Fieldwork; Teacher attendance at BES meetings

[Building Capacity for Ecology Fund:](#)

The Building Capacity for Ecology Fund supports ecologists in Eastern Europe and Africa develop networks of ecologists in their countries.

[Grants to run meetings and other events:](#)

Meeting Sponsorship (Commemorative and Workshop); Public Engagement Grant

[Grants to attend meetings and courses:](#)

Student support for attendance at BES meetings; Attendance at conferences, symposia, workshops and courses; Specialist Course Grants; Travel Grants for Ecologists from Developing Countries to attend BES meetings; Travel Grant for students to attend ecological conferences and workshops.

[Ecological Opportunities Fund:](#)

This grant is open to significant, innovative and worthwhile projects that clearly fall within the remit of the society but that fall outside any of the above funding schemes. Applications

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need to show how they will significantly benefit the careers of young ecologists or the science of ecology.

Honours, awards and prizes:

Honorary Membership of the Society; The President's Medal; The Marsh Award for Ecology; The Tansley Lecture and the BES Lecture; The Founders' Prize; Award for the Best Paper by a Young Author; The Anne Keymer Prize; Prize for the Best Student Poster at the Winter Meeting; Ecological Engagement Award; The BES Photographic Competition

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Canon & National Parks Service - Science Scholars Program	<a href="http://www.nature.nps.gov/canon/scholarships/">http://www.nature.nps.gov/canon/scholarships/</a>	The program is a collaboration among Canon, the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the US National Park Service. Thanks to a generous commitment by Canon, the program will be awarding eight US\$80,000 scholarships to Ph.D. students throughout the Americas to conduct research critical to conserving the national parks of the region. Research projects in the biological, physical, social and cultural sciences are eligible, as well as projects in technology innovation in support of conservation science. Applications must be received by 3 May 2007.
Center for Tropical Forest Science (CTFS)	See under Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute	
CGA Awards in Tropical Botany	<a href="http://www.gcamerica.org/scholarship/tropical.html">http://www.gcamerica.org/scholarship/tropical.html</a>	Established to promote the preservation of tropical forests by enlarging the body of botanists with field experience. The program, administered by World Wildlife Fund, enables doctoral candidates to pursue independent field study in the tropics. Their research has the potential to significantly contribute to critical issues of tropical botany and notably impact tropical conservation. Selection is by a panel of botanists appointed by World Wildlife Fund. One award is granted for a systematics study and one for ecology
Charles A. and Anne Morrow Lindbergh Foundation	See Lindbergh Foundation	
Chicago Zoological Society, Conservation and Research Funds	<a href="http://www.brookfieldzoo.org">www.brookfieldzoo.org</a>	Brookfield Zoo provides small grants assistance for conservation and research projects that help support and advance the zoo's mission. The Chicago Zoological Society Conservation and Research Fund, in operation since 1976, has provided nearly 200 grants for field conservation and research. Applications for grants are by invitation only and are screened carefully to identify projects of the highest priority to the zoo.
Christensen Fund Graduate Fellowship	<a href="http://hwec.umsl.edu/scholarships/plantconservation.html">http://hwec.umsl.edu/scholarships/plantconservation.html</a>	The Whitney R. Harris World Ecology Center at the University of Missouri-St. Louis is offering a fully funded fellowship to

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Program in Plant Conservation		<p>students from tropical America, Africa, Madagascar, Asia, Malesia and the Pacific Islands with strong leadership and research potential in applied plant conservation. This fellowship is available to individuals with applied plant conservation experience and strong academic credentials for studies leading to a M.S. or Ph.D. degree.</p> <p>This special Graduate program in Plant Conservation, developed in collaboration with The Christensen Fund and the Missouri Botanical Garden, is designed to educate plant conservation scientists from the world's tropical regions. The fellowship will provide recruitment and repatriation airfares, stipend, tuition fee waiver and the opportunity to apply for competitive research funds.</p>
Claiborne, Liz & Art Ortenberg Foundation	<a href="http://www.lcaof.org/guidelines.html">http://www.lcaof.org/guidelines.html</a>	<p>The Liz Claiborne and Art Ortenberg Foundation is devoted to the conservation of nature and the amelioration of human distress. It concerns itself particularly with matters of species extinction, habitat destruction and fragmentation, resource depletion and resource waste. It favors solutions that directly benefit local communities and serve as exemplars for saving species and wildlands.</p>
Commonwealth Scholarship Commission	<a href="http://www.csfp-online.org/">http://www.csfp-online.org/</a>	<p><a href="#">Scholarships by Distance Learning</a>: The support courses at UK universities chosen on the grounds of their impact on international development and offered in partnership with institutions in developing Commonwealth countries.</p> <p><a href="#">Professional Fellowships</a>: The awards provide opportunities for individuals working in key occupations in developing Commonwealth countries to spend a short period of professional updating in the United Kingdom.</p>
Conchologists of America	<a href="http://www.conchologistsofamerica.org/grants/">http://www.conchologistsofamerica.org/grants/</a>	<p>Typically, grants of up to \$1,500 each are given to qualified parties undertaking field or laboratory research on recent or fossil molluscs, and other molluscan related projects. Most of the awardees have been citizens or permanent residents of the Americas or students attending graduate schools in the United States.</p>
Conservation and Research Foundation	<a href="http://www.conncoll.edu/is/info-resources/special-collections/crf/crfguide.html">http://www.conncoll.edu/is/info-resources/special-collections/crf/crfguide.html</a>	<p>The purposes of this foundation are to promote the conservation of our renewable natural resources; to encourage study and research in the biological sciences; and to deepen understanding of the intricate relationship between man and the environment that supports him." These objectives are fulfilled primarily by awarding grants to organizations and individuals to aid their conservation programs and to support research in neglected areas.</p>
Conservation, Food and Health Foundation	<a href="http://www.grantsmanagement.com/cfhguide.html">http://www.grantsmanagement.com/cfhguide.html</a>	<p>Its purpose is to assist in the conservation of natural resources, the production and distribution of food, and the improvement and promotion of health in the developing world. Through grants to support research and through targeted grants to help solve</p>

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specific problems, the Foundation helps build capacity within developing countries in its three areas of interest. The foundation is especially interested in supporting projects which lead to the transfer of responsibility to the citizens of developing countries for managing and solving their own problems and developing the capacity of local organizations. Preference will be given to projects, including research projects, in areas that tend to be under-funded. Preference will be given to organizations located in developing countries or to developed country organizations whose activities are of direct and immediate benefit to developing countries.

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Conservation  
Foundation

<http://www.conservationfoundation.co.uk/>

The Conservation Foundation was founded by David Bellamy and David Shreeve to provide a means for people in public, private and not-for-profit sectors to collaborate on environmental causes. **Young Scientists for Rainforests** : For ethno-medical and ethno-botanical research in rainforests anywhere in the world. Grants of about £1, 000 are available. There are no entry forms and applications can be made at any time. However this award scheme is always over-subscribed.

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Conservation  
International

<http://www.conservation.org>

Conservation International's mission is to conserve the Earth's living heritage, our global biodiversity, and to demonstrate that human societies are able to live harmoniously with nature. **The Global Conservation Fund:** The Global Conservation Fund finances the creation, expansion and long-term management of protected areas in the world's biodiversity hotspots, high biodiversity wilderness areas and important marine regions. One-time GCF grants of up to \$25,000 are available to support projects in the planning/strategy development stage (i.e., before a protected area outcome has been clearly defined, or before stakeholders have committed to a protected area outcome). Priority will be given to those projects that identify a clear link between activities and the desired protected area outcome. Funds will be made available to support certain catalytic activities needed to gain the support of decision makers (for example, conducting key events, site surveys, etc.). Funds may also be used for activities such as local and/or national consultations, workshops, social and/or environmental surveys and/or costs of external expertise. Types of grants: Planning/Strategy Development Grants; Long-term financing for Protected Areas; Project Implementation Grants **The Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund:** The Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF) enables conservation action and builds capacity for sustainability in biodiversity hotspots, the Earth's biologically richest and most endangered regions. A fundamental

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CEPF goal is to ensure that civil society is engaged in conserving the hotspots. Our support equips nongovernmental organizations, community groups, and other sectors of civil society to conserve their environment and influence decisions that affect lives, livelihoods, and, ultimately, the global environment.

Verde Ventures: To be eligible to obtain an investment from Verde Ventures, a project must operate in a priority area of Conservation International (CI). An eligible project must also make a direct contribution to CI's objectives (outcomes) which include: creation of new protected areas; strengthening of existing protected area; protection of a threatened species and/or improvements in biodiversity within a landscape between protected areas.

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Copper Ornithological Society (COS) - Professional and Student Awards [http://www.cooper.org/COS/COS\\_award\\_details.html](http://www.cooper.org/COS/COS_award_details.html)

This society offers no less than 9 different awards. For members of the COS, several other awards are available.

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CUD - Commission Universitaire pour le Développement (de la Communauté française de Belgique) <http://cud.ciuf.be/>

Various programmes for university cooperation between Belgian universities (French-speaking community of Belgium) and universities based in the south. Research projects, study grants, travel grants. Website in French only.

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Danforth, Sophie Conservation Biology Fund [http://www.rogerwilliamsparkzoo.org/conservation/danforth\\_app.cfm](http://www.rogerwilliamsparkzoo.org/conservation/danforth_app.cfm)

The Sophie Danforth Conservation Biology Fund (SDCBF), established by the Roger Williams Park Zoo and the Rhode Island Zoological Society in 1989, supports conservation programs that protect threatened wildlife and habitats worldwide. Field studies and other projects that demonstrate a multi-disciplinary approach to biodiversity and ecosystem conservation and projects that involve in-country collaborators receive the highest funding priority. Environmental education programs, development of techniques that can be used in a natural environment, and captive propagation programs that stress an integrative approach to conservation are also appropriate. Projects must directly affect biological conservation.

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Darwin Initiative <http://www.darwin.gov.uk/>

The Darwin Initiative is a small grants programme that aims to promote biodiversity conservation and sustainable use of resources around the world. The Initiative is funded and administered by the UK Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, (Defra).

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David and Lucile Packard Foundation

The David and Lucile Packard Foundation provides national and international grants to nonprofit organizations including conservation. Grants awarded in 2001 totalled more than \$500 million.

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The [Conservation and Science Program](#) seeks to protect and restore our oceans, coasts, and atmosphere and to enable the creative pursuit of scientific research toward this goal. Coastal Systems Our **Coastal Systems** grant making seeks to promote sustainability in coastal systems in three specific geographic regions: the California Coast, the Gulf of California, and the Western Pacific. The **Science for Oceans and Coasts** subprogram seeks to support use-inspired marine research, improve the linkages between science and decision making, and support science-focused ecosystem-based management for coastal-marine systems.

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Delaware museum of Natural History - Graduate Student Scholarships

<http://www.delmnh.org/?page=230#scholarships>

The Museum annually offers two \$500 scholarships (one each for malacology and ornithology). They cover travel expenses for a graduate student to use the DMNH collections and library for collections-based research leading to publication. Click here for further information about the Ornithology or Malacology scholarships.

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Disney Wildlife Conservation Fund

<http://disney.go.com/disneyhand/environmentality/dwcf/index.html>

The Disney Wildlife Conservation Fund (DWCf) was established in 1995 as a global awards Disney Wildlife Conservation Fund program for the study and protection of the world's wildlife and ecosystems. It provides annual awards to US nonprofit conservation organizations working alongside their peers in other countries. Many of the recipient organizations concentrate their activities on "biological hotspots".

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Earthwatch Institute (Centre for field research)

<http://www.earthwatch.org>

Earthwatch Institute is an international non-profit organization that brings science to life for people concerned about the Earth's future.

[Scientist opportunities:](#)

Earthwatch Institute supports scholarly research worldwide in the biological, physical, social, and cultural sciences. Earthwatch provides scientists with the funding and labor they need in the form of motivated, dedicated, paying volunteers. This unique funding model enables us to support research in a variety of disciplines, on the basis of a researcher's need for volunteers and Earthwatch's ability to find them. Field research grant awards are derived from funds contributed by volunteers who serve as assistants on research projects. Preliminary proposals are accepted and reviewed year-round and should be submitted 18 months in advance of the anticipated fieldwork.

[Research awards and additional grants:](#)

These awards recognize the valuable contribution Earthwatch principal investigators make to science and sustainability, and provide a boost to their research efforts. Many awards or additional grants have inspired principal investigators to launch

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new aspects of their research, buy much needed equipment, or employ local community members. The awards include the following: [Principal Investigator of the Year Award](#); [Young Scientist Award](#); [AVIVA/Earthwatch Award for Climate Change Research](#); [Darwin Initiative Grants](#); [Michael D. Rose Ecology Graduate Scholarship](#); [Vodafone Grants for Communications Technology and Conservation](#)

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Earth Preservation Fund <http://www.earthpreservation.org/application.html>

Earth Preservation Fund small grants: The EPF supports community-based environmental, educational, and cultural preservation programs. The EPF is working with community leaders to find ways to re-employ these individuals through environmental conservation and restoration projects. This serves two purposes; it minimizes the economic loss to the community and improves the natural environment at the same time. All EPF supported projects are small-scale and community initiated.

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Edmund Niles Huyck Preserve and Biological Research Station - Graduate and Post-graduate Research Grants <http://www.huyckpreserve.org/grant/ggl.htm>

To encourage research, the Preserve offers Huyck Grants to qualifying scientists and graduate students. In the last ten years, our Scientific Advisory Committee has awarded 39 Huyck Grants totaling \$108,450. In that time 12 Ph.D. dissertations have been completed as well as 10 master's theses. Awards have also been given to 8 post-doctoral associates.

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EECONET Action Fund (EAF) <http://www.eeconet.org/eaf/index.html>

EECONET Action Fund (EAF) was established as a joint fund of EUCC - The Coastal Union, EUROSITE and Euronatur. Funding, purchase or lease of land and urgent management in Central and Eastern Europe by local organisations: the goal of the EAF is to fund third parties (semi-state governmental organisations e.g. National Parks, and non-governmental organisations) to buy or lease important natural sites which contribute to the Pan European Ecological Network.

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Entomological Foundation [http://www.entfdn.org/awards\\_scholar\\_fellow.php](http://www.entfdn.org/awards_scholar_fellow.php)

The Entomological Foundation and the Entomological Society of America (ESA) provide several annual honors and awards to recognize scientists, educators, and students, who have distinguished themselves through their contributions to entomology. The following awards are managed by the Entomological Foundation. Note: some of these awards are sponsored by big chemical corporations.

[Recognition Awards](#) Award for Excellence in Integrated Pest Management, Integrated Pest Management Team Award, International Congress on Insect Neurochemistry and Neurophysiology (ICINN) Student Recognition Award, The Larry Larson Graduate Student Award for Leadership in Applied Entomology, President's Prizes for Outstanding Achievement in Primary and Secondary Education, Recognition Award in Urban Entomology, Thomas Say Award

[Research Awards](#) : Jeffery P. LaFage Graduate Student Research

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		<p>Award, Henry and Sylvia Richardson Research Grant, Snodgrass Memorial Research Award, Kenneth and Barbara Starks Plant Resistance to Insects Graduate, Student Research Award</p> <p><u><a href="#">Scholarships and Fellowships</a></u> : Stan Beck Fellowship, Joseph H. Camin Fellowship, The Pioneer Hi-Bred International Graduate Student Fellowship, BioQuip Undergraduate Scholarship</p> <p><u><a href="#">Sharing</a></u> : C.P. Alexander Fund, Lillian and Alex Feir Graduate Student Travel Award, Thomas Say Publication Fund</p>
Entomological Society of America	<u><a href="http://www.entsoc.org/awards/whats_available.htm">http://www.entsoc.org/awards/whats_available.htm</a></u>	<p>The Entomological Society of America and the Entomological Foundation provide annual honors and awards to recognize scientists, educators, and students, who have distinguished themselves through their contributions to entomology. The following awards are managed by the Entomological Society of America. Note: some of these awards are sponsored by big chemical corporations.</p> <p>Honors: <u><a href="#">Honorary Membership</a></u>, <u><a href="#">Fellows</a></u>, <u><a href="#">Founders' Memorial Award</a></u></p> <p>Professional Awards: <u><a href="#">Distinguished Achievement Award in Extension</a></u>, <u><a href="#">Distinguished Achievement Award in Horticultural Entomology</a></u>, <u><a href="#">Distinguished Achievement Award in Teaching</a></u>, <u><a href="#">Distinguished Service Award to the Certification Program</a></u>, <u><a href="#">Recognition Award in Entomology</a></u>, <u><a href="#">Recognition Award in Insect Physiology</a></u>, <u><a href="#">Biochemistry, &amp; Toxicology</a></u></p> <p>Student Awards: <u><a href="#">Student Certification Award</a></u>, <u><a href="#">John Henry Comstock Graduate Student Awards</a></u>, <u><a href="#">Linnaean Games</a></u>, <u><a href="#">Normand R DuBois Memorial Scholarship</a></u>, <u><a href="#">Student Activity Award</a></u>, <u><a href="#">Student Competition for the President's Prize</a></u></p>
Eppley Foundation for Research	<u><a href="http://www.nyu.edu/pages/gsas/files/eppley">http://www.nyu.edu/pages/gsas/files/eppley</a></u>	<p>Award: for post-doctoral research in advanced scientific subjects, generally through recognized educational and charitable organizations, in support of projects developed under the aegis of such organizations. About five new awards are available each year.</p>
Ernst Mayr Award in Systematic Biology	<u><a href="http://systbio.org/?q=node/10">http://systbio.org/?q=node/10</a></u>	<p>General Information. The Ernst Mayr Award is given to the presenter of the outstanding student paper in the field of systematics at the annual meetings of the Society of Systematic Biologists, as judged by the Ernst Mayr Award Committee. The award consists of \$1000.00 and a set of a set of available back issues of Systematic Zoology/Systematic Biology.</p>
European Community - Seventh Research Programme (FP7)	<u><a href="http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/home_en.html">http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/home_en.html</a></u>	<p>The Seventh Framework Programme (FP7) bundles all research-related EU initiatives together under a common roof playing a crucial role in reaching the goals of growth, competitiveness and employment. The broad objectives of FP7 have been grouped into four categories: Cooperation, Ideas, People and Capacities. For each type of objective, there is a specific programme corresponding to</p>

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the main areas of EU research policy. All specific programmes work together to promote and encourage the creation of European poles of (scientific) excellence.

European Science  
Foundation

[http://www.esf.org/esf\\_activity\\_home.php?language=0&domain=0&activity=5](http://www.esf.org/esf_activity_home.php?language=0&domain=0&activity=5)

The ESF's various instruments for promoting European science are open to all members of Europe's scientific community.

**EUROCORES:** The aim of the European Collaborative Research (EUROCORES) Scheme is to enable researchers in different European countries to develop collaboration and scientific synergy in areas where European scale and scope are required to reach the critical mass necessary for top class science in a global context. The scheme provides a flexible framework which allows national basic research funding and performing organisations to join forces to support excellent European research in and across all scientific areas.

**Forward Looks:** It is envisaged that the main event of an ESF Forward Look will be a conference involving about 50/60 people meeting over 2 to 3 days. While most participants will be scientists, it is very important to have the presence of policy makers in such meetings.

**Networks:** ESF scientific Networks discuss, plan, innovate, analyse or co-ordinate research. They bring together scientists to explore the potential of developing and carrying out research at a European level. Very often, they give rise to other ESF activities such as scientific Programmes or European Research Conferences

**Research Networking Programmes:** A call covering all Standing Committees is issued each year with a deadline around end of October.

**ESF Research Conferences** ESF Research Conferences are open to scientists world-wide, whether from academia or industry. Participants are expected to attend for the whole duration of the conference. No written papers are requested from invited speakers and no proceedings are published by the ESF. New ideas and results discussed during the meeting should not be cited in publications without the explicit permission of their author. A conference fee is charged to participants.

**European Young Investigator Awards:** The aim of the scheme is to attract outstanding young researchers from anywhere in the world to work in Europe and lead their own research team.

**ESF Exploratory Workshops:** Each year the European Science Foundation (ESF) supports approximately 50 Exploratory Workshops across all scientific domains. The focus of the scheme is on projects aiming to open up new directions in research or to explore emerging research fields with potential impact on new

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developments in science. Proposals should demonstrate the potential for initiating follow-up research activities and/or developing future collaborative actions. Interdisciplinary topics are encouraged. ESF Exploratory Workshops awards are intended for small, interactive and output-oriented discussion meetings of maximum 30 participants and up to a maximum value of 15000 EUR.

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Explorers Club	<a href="http://www.explorers.org/resources/funding/funding.php">http://www.explorers.org/resources/funding/funding.php</a>	<p>The Explorers Club offers a number of grants as part of its public service commitment. Applications are judged on the scientific and practical merits of the proposal, the competency of the applicant and the appropriateness of the budget. You do not have to be a member to apply.</p> <p>For instance the Exploration Fund of The Explorers Club provides grants in support of exploration and field research. Grants in amounts up to \$1,200 are made primarily to graduate students. Applicants do not have to be members of The Explorers Club and do not have to reside in the United States to qualify for an award.</p>
Fauna and Flora International	<a href="http://www.fauna-flora.org/about/fsf.html">http://www.fauna-flora.org/about/fsf.html</a>	<p>FFI acts to conserve threatened species and ecosystems worldwide, choosing solutions that are sustainable, are based on sound science and take account of human needs.</p> <p>The <a href="#">Flagship Species Fund</a>: Established in November 2001, as a joint initiative between the UK Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) and FFI, the Flagship Species Fund aims to provide practical support to the conservation of endangered species and their habitats in developing countries.</p> <p><a href="#">The Flagship Species Fund Small Grants Programme</a> provides urgently needed support to small scale and pilot conservation projects around the world that are concerned directly with the protection of endangered flagship species. The Programme currently disperses grants once a year.</p> <p><a href="#">The Arcadia Fund</a>: the Arcadia Fund works to secure the future of land with globally significant biodiversity by establishing protected areas through direct land purchase. Many areas of outstanding biodiversity value are under threat of destruction. With donor support, the Arcadia Fund can safeguard these natural treasures, leverage additional funds and provide the catalyst for a range of innovative local enterprises.</p>
Field Museum of Natural History - Research scholarships and Grants	<a href="http://www.fieldmuseum.org/research_collections/scholarships/default.htm">http://www.fieldmuseum.org/research_collections/scholarships/default.htm</a>	<p>The Field Museum houses some of the world's finest collections in anthropology, botany, geology and zoology. Curators and associates in the scientific departments have pursued research programs in over 50 countries. The Field Museum recognizes the need to support basic research on our collections by interested students and scholars throughout the world. To this end, the Museum offers a modest number of grants and fellowships to visiting scientists and</p>

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students for research and training on our scientific and library collections. Grants are open on a competitive basis to all individuals in the national and international scholarly community working on problems related to natural history. Preference is given to projects related to the research interests of a staff member of The Field Museum. For specific areas of interest in the museum's four scientific departments, please click on Curatorial Staff. Applicants must arrange a letter of support from a Field Museum curator in the appropriate scientific department. Applications may be sent directly to the Chair of the Scholarship Committee.

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FishBase and fish taxonomy      See under 'Royal Museum for Central Africa'

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Florida Ornithological Society      <http://www.fosbirds.org/GrantsAwards/FOSGrantsAwards.htm>

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Fondation Ensemble      <http://www.fondationensemble.org/index.php/en>      The aim of Fondation Ensemble is to contribute to projects geared towards "promoting a new kind of human development incorporating environmental protection". The fields of involvement actually implemented by Fondation Ensemble and partners are linked in priority with: access to safe water and sanitation, development of renewable energies, promotion of sustainable agriculture, and environmental education.

Horizontal themes include the sustainable improvement of the living conditions of populations in difficulty, nature conservation, and training and education on the environment.

The foundation can propose specific call for projects, like for example the one linked with Protection of the Biodiversity, proposed in 2005-2006.

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Ford Foundation - Environment and Development Programme      [http://www.fordfound.org/program/asset\\_units.cfm?unit\\_name=environment\\_development](http://www.fordfound.org/program/asset_units.cfm?unit_name=environment_development)      The goals of the Ford Foundation are to strengthen democratic values, reduce poverty and injustice, promote international cooperation and advance human achievement. In Environment and Development, we help people and groups acquire, protect and improve land, water, forests, wildlife and other natural assets in ways that help reduce poverty and injustice. Before a request is made for a grant or program-related investment, a brief letter of inquiry is advisable to determine whether the foundation's present interests and funds permit consideration of the request. After

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receiving the letter, foundation staff members may ask the grant seeker to submit a formal proposal. There is no grant application form.

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Ford Foundation - <http://www.fordfound.org/news/more/11272000ifp/index.cfm>  
International  
fellowship programme

The Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program (IFP) provides opportunities for advanced study to exceptional individuals who will use this education to become leaders in their respective fields, furthering development in their own countries and greater economic and social justice worldwide. To ensure that Fellows are drawn from diverse backgrounds, IFP actively seeks candidates from social groups and communities that lack systematic access to higher education. IFP Fellows may choose to study in any academic discipline or field of study related to the Ford Foundation's three grant-making areas.

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Institute of  
International  
Education <http://www.iie.org/Template.cfm?Section=Home&Template=/Activity/ActivityDisplay.cfm&activityid=476>

**Alcoa Foundation's Conservation and Sustainability Fellowship Program:** Alcoa Foundation has launched a unique \$8.6 million signature program to advance the knowledge and support for exemplary work in the field of conservation and sustainability, through fellowships to outstanding academics and practitioners from non-governmental organizations (NGO). Practitioner Fellowships provide a non-degree opportunity for qualified mid-level professionals from NGOs (and in some cases, government) to conduct approved six- to twelve-month intensive applied research projects in conservation and sustainability. Fellows work from their home organization and are mentored remotely by an expert from a selected Sustainability Institute. Fellows receive a grant of \$10,000 and reimbursement for travel to an Orientation and a Program Conference.

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George Williams Fund  
for Student Research <http://life.bio.sunysb.edu/ee/endorowments.html>

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Gesellschaft für  
Biologische  
Systematik (GfBS) <http://www.gfbs-home.de/Renschpreis.html>

Bernhard Rensch Prize. The Bernhard Rensch Prize is awarded annually by the Society of Biological Systematics (GfBS, Germany) to a young scientist who has demonstrated exceptional work in any area of biological systematics. Eligible for consideration is any significant work (e.g., Bachelors or Masters thesis, PhD dissertation, or the equivalent) where the applicant is the sole or primary author. The study can be in any area in which the GfBS is involved, with botanical, paleontological, and zoological (broadly defined) studies all being equally desired. The prize is open to all members of the scientific community, whether or not they are members of the GfBS. Candidates can be either self-nominated or nominated by another person. The candidate must be either the sole or primary author of the nominated work. Only

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works written in either English or German can unfortunately be taken into consideration.

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Gilbert F. White  
Postdoctoral  
Fellowship Program

[http://www.rff.org/rff/About/Fellowships\\_and\\_Internships/White/Gilbert-F-White-Postdoctoral-Fellowship-Program.cfm](http://www.rff.org/rff/About/Fellowships_and_Internships/White/Gilbert-F-White-Postdoctoral-Fellowship-Program.cfm)

Resources for the Future (RFF) will award resident fellowships for the 2007-2008 academic year in honor of Gilbert F. White, retired chairman of the RFF Board of Directors, distinguished geographer, and statesman of science. The fellowships are intended for researchers who have a doctorate degree and wish to devote a year to scholarly work in areas related to natural resources, energy, or the environment. Social scientists as well as natural scientists interested in policy-relevant interdisciplinary research are encouraged to apply. Since fellows will interact closely with RFF staff members, selection criteria will include the nature of the applicant's proposed research program and how it fits with RFF work in progress.

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Global Biodiversity  
Information Facility  
(GBIF)

<http://www.gbif.org/>

The mission of the GBIF is to make the world's primary data on biodiversity freely and universally available via the Internet. [Digitisation of Natural History Collections \(DIGIT\)](#): The overall goal of the DIGIT programme is to facilitate the digitisation of specimens in natural history collections and make specimen databases and other species level observational databases publicly accessible.

[ECAT Seed money](#): For the global enhancement of biological research and resource management, a centrally available list of the names applied to the organisms of the Earth is needed. This list, including names, synonymies and classification, will be freely accessible to everybody at any time and should provide the user with reliable data, organized in a structured manner. It will serve as a global resource and with time, is intended to become an authority file for taxonomy. The Electronic Catalogue of Names (ECAT) will also serve as a reference, to make the integration of specimen-level data in the GBIF Network possible.

[Ebbe Nielsen Prize](#): The prize honors the memory of Ebbe Nielsen and is awarded annually to a promising researcher who is combining biosystematics and biological diversity informatics research that supports the objectives of GBIF in an exciting and novel way.

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Global Greengrants  
Fund

<http://www.greengrants.org/grants.html>

Global Greengrants Fund supports grassroots groups working for environmental justice and sustainability around the world. Our grants fund grassroots action in some of the world's most despoiled and impoverished places. We make small grants (typically \$500 to \$5,000) to help people protect the environment, live sustainably, preserve biodiversity and gain a voice in their own future. Our portfolio of grants allows us to support a variety of approaches all around the world. Who knows where the next great

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		idea or environmental leader will emerge? Who knows what action will have the greatest impact? Like an incubator of positive change, we can be there at the beginning as great things begin to happen.
Goldman Environmental Foundation (Goldman Environmental Prize)	<a href="http://www.goldmanprize.org/">http://www.goldmanprize.org/</a>	The Goldman Environmental Prize is given each year to six environmental heroes/grassroots environmentalists - one from each of six continental regions: Africa, Asia, Europe, Island Nations, North America and South/Central America. The award currently stands at \$125,000. The issues that addressed are diverse, from protecting rivers and forests, to working to stop toxic industries in disadvantaged communities, to assisting indigenous people in preserving their environments and traditional ways of life.
Heller School for Social Policy and Management -  Feldman Graduate Fellowship in sustainable development	<a href="http://heller.brandeis.edu/sid/programs_ma_admis_scholar.htm">http://heller.brandeis.edu/sid/programs_ma_admis_scholar.htm</a>	The Master of Arts in Sustainable International Development (SID) degree program is pleased to announce the Feldman Fellowship, which will be awarded to an early to mid-level career development professional interested in integrated conservation and development. The Fellow will complete a Year-in-Residence at SID, and then work at a field conservation site during the second year of the Master's degree program.
Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission -  IOC Capacity Building Programme	<a href="http://ioc.unesco.org/tema/iocGrants.htm">http://ioc.unesco.org/tema/iocGrants.htm</a>	The IOC Capacity Building Programme offers yearly conference travel and study grants to marine sciences students or professionals, from developing countries, to participate in scientific/technical conferences, workshops or meetings with a clearly defined ocean-oriented nature, with priority given to subjects directly relevant to IOC programmes. The scheme is intended to benefit individual applicants with their current work. Funds for attendance at conferences are conditional on the applicant being accepted to present a paper or poster on original research work. Workshops/meeting attendees are required to provide details of the expected benefits to their ongoing research activities.
International association for plant taxonomy	<a href="http://www.botanik.univie.ac.at/iapt/s_grants.php">http://www.botanik.univie.ac.at/iapt/s_grants.php</a>	IAPT research grants in plant systematics: the IAPT announces a competitive grant program in plant systematics, with emphasis on funding students and young investigators in developing countries, but open to applicants world-wide. The program is based on the submission of research projects. The award should be preferably used for supporting field work, travel to institutions, or laboratory investigations.
International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology -	<a href="http://arppis.icipe.org/research_fellowships.html">http://arppis.icipe.org/research_fellowships.html</a>	ARPPIS is a training programme implemented in partnership with African universities; national and international institutions and academies of science; the donor community; and an ARPPIS alumni network within national institutions. <b>ARPPIS currently involves</b>

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African Regional  
Postgraduate  
Programme in Insect  
Science (ARPPIS)

**some 31 participating universities.**

**Postgraduate Research Fellowships at PhD level:** The three-year doctoral fellowship scheme enrolls an average of six (6) research students annually, and releases an average of three (3) PhD graduates to the national research and educational systems every year.

**Postgraduate Research Fellowships at Msc level:** In 1992, a Masters Degree programme was started under ARPPIS in order to redress the disparities observed in entomology training among PhD candidates, as well as offering a complete masters course for mid-level scientists. The ARPPIS Sub-Regional Masters Programme is hosted by universities within the sub-regions of Africa:

University of Zimbabwe for southern Africa;

University of Ghana for western Africa;

Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia, for eastern and northeastern Africa.

A fourth centre to cater for Franco- and Luso-phone countries will soon be established. The two-year programme has to date enrolled 110 students.

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International Fund  
for Agricultural  
Development (IFAD) -  
Agricultural research  
Grants

<http://www.ifad.org/grants/>

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International  
Development Research  
Centre (IRDC Training  
and Awards Program)

[http://network.idrc.ca/en/ev-54473-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://network.idrc.ca/en/ev-54473-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)

The International Development Research Centre is a Canadian public corporation that helps developing countries use science and technology to find practical, long-term solutions to the social, economic, and environmental problems they face. IDRC retains the principles of sustainable and equitable development as a foundation for all its programming.

[Training Awards](#) ; [Project-related awards](#) ; [Internship Awards](#) ; [Ecosystem Approaches to Human Health Training Awards](#) ; [IDRC Doctoral Research Awards \(IDRA\)](#) ; [Canadian Window on International Development Awards](#) ; [AGROPOLIS: International Graduate Research Awards in Urban Agriculture](#) ; [Community Forestry: Trees and People - John G. Bene Fellowship](#) ; [The Bentley Cropping Systems Fellowship](#) ; [Pearson Fellowship](#)

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International  
Federation of  
University Women -

<http://www.ifuw.org/fellowships/international.htm>

The IFUW offers a limited number of international fellowships and grants to women graduates for advanced research, study and training. Fellowships and grants are open only to women graduates who are members of IFUW's national federations and associations and to IFUW International Members. The awards are intended for the

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International Awards

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second and subsequent years of a doctoral programme and for post-doctoral studies. First year doctoral students do not qualify. A small number of awards may be available for Masters' level studies. Students in any branch of learning may apply; however, priority is given to proposals related to IFUW priorities (Education, the Information Society, and Human Security & Peace) as well as to the improvement of the status of women and girls or women and to promotion of women in scientific and technological careers.

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International  
Foundation for  
Science

<http://www.ifs.se/>

IFS provides support to young developing country scientists to conduct, in a developing country, relevant and high quality research on the management, use, and conservation of biological resources and their environment. This broad statement covers natural science and social science research on agriculture, soils, animal production, food science, forestry, agroforestry, aquatic resources, natural products, water resources, etc. Applications are accepted all year and are to be made on an IFS Application Form.

[ISF Research Grants](#): The project must be related to the sustainable utilisation of the biological and/or water resource base.

[IFS/Danida Award](#): award programme aiming at recognizing outstanding achievements of young agricultural and natural resources researchers among IFS grantees in Sub-Saharan Africa. Each Award is in the cash amount of USD 2,000 and is given up to 12 times per year.

[IFS Jubilee Award](#): This Award was established to complement the Danida Award. It is intended for grantees from North Africa, Asia and the Pacific, and Latin America and the Caribbean. The Award focuses on noteworthy achievements clearly associated with research work supported fully or in part by IFS. The Award is in the cash amount of USD 2,000 and is given up to eight times per year.

[Sven Brohult Award](#): The Sven Brohult Award, in the amount of USD 10,000 is the most prestigious of the IFS Awards. It is given to an IFS grantee once every three years. The aim of the Sven Brohult Award is to recognize excellence in research and create a better scientific atmosphere in developing countries.

[IFS Special Calls](#): IFS occasionally issues calls for applications together with other partner or donor organizations. Researchers are encouraged to review the current special joint calls.

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International Plant  
Genetic Resources

<http://www.ipgri.cgiar.org/>

IPGRI is an international research institute with a mandate to advance the conservation and use of genetic diversity for the

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Institute (IPGRI)		well-being of present and future generations. It is a Centre of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR). <u>Two-year Research Fellowship on Forest Genetic Resources</u> : the fellowship will be awarded to outstanding young scientists in the field of forest genetic resources. <u>Abdou-Salam Ouédraogo Fellowship 2006</u> : the proposed work should fall into the broad area of conservation and use of genetic resources. In the first years of the Fellowship Scheme, preference will be given to proposals with a forestry emphasis. <u>Vavilov-Frankel Fellowships</u> : The Vavilov-Frankel Fellowship Fund aims to encourage the conservation and use of plant genetic resources in developing countries by awarding Fellowships to outstanding young researchers to carry out relevant innovative research at an advanced research institute outside their own country for a period of between three months and one year.
International Primatological Society: Charles Southwick Conservation Education Commitment Award	<a href="http://www.internationalprimatologicalsociety.org/SouthwickDesc.cfm">http://www.internationalprimatologicalsociety.org/SouthwickDesc.cfm</a>	In honor of Dr. Charles Southwick's longstanding commitment to conservation education, we have developed the Charles Southwick Conservation Education Commitment Award. This award is dedicated to recognizing individuals living in primate habitat countries that have made a significant contribution to formal and informal conservation education in their countries. The amount of the award is \$1,000: \$750 will be given directly to the recipient and \$250 will be given in the recipient's name to a project of their choosing in their community.
International Primatological Society -Conservation Grants	<a href="http://www.internationalprimatologicalsociety.org/ConservationDesc.cfm">http://www.internationalprimatologicalsociety.org/ConservationDesc.cfm</a>	The Conservation Committee of IPS is soliciting applications of up to \$1,500 to support the development of primate conservation field programs. The committee is expecting to distribute up to \$10,000 this year.
International Primatological Society - Research Grants	<a href="http://www.internationalprimatologicalsociety.org/funding.cfm">http://www.internationalprimatologicalsociety.org/funding.cfm</a>	The Research Committee of IPS awards grants of up to \$1500 to support outstanding primate research proposals. We invite proposals for primate-oriented research projects with a strong theoretical component. These projects can be conducted in the field and/or in captivity. Scientific excellence will be the primary selection criterion. Proposals for projects focusing solely on primate conservation or on the captive care of nonhuman primates will not be considered by the Research Committee and should be directed to the Conservation or Captive Care Committees.
International Primatological Society - Lawrence Jacobsen Education Development Award	<a href="http://www.internationalprimatologicalsociety.org/JacobsenDesc.cfm">http://www.internationalprimatologicalsociety.org/JacobsenDesc.cfm</a>	The Education Committee of IPS solicits grants of up to \$1500 to support the development of primate conservation education programs. These initiatives should support field conservation programs, work with local community and/or schools, or are used to provide training in conservation education techniques. If you have

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any questions regarding this award please contact Dr. Anne Savage (Anne.Savage@disney.com).

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John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation See MacArthur Foundation

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Jones W. Alton Foundation [http://193.194.138.128/FIELD/Fundations/Jones/FR\\_Gr.htm](http://193.194.138.128/FIELD/Fundations/Jones/FR_Gr.htm)

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The Sustainable World Program: support for projects in maintaining biological diversity, ensuring that human economic activity is based on sound ecological principles, solving humanity's energy needs in environmentally sustainable ways, and avoiding patterns of contamination that erode the planet's capacity to support life.

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Kathleen S. Anderson Award <http://www.shorebirdworld.org/template.php?g=11&c=9>

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This is an annual award in honor of Kathleen S. Anderson's outstanding contributions to bird conservation, and to promote and perpetuate her special interests in environmental research and education. The purpose of this award is to encourage significant avian research in areas of interest to Kathleen Anderson and Manomet, and to help promising biologists in their work. Requests for support of ecological and behavioral studies of birds, especially research furthering bird conservation, will be considered (e.g. endangered or endemic species, population viability, effects of land uses, habitat requirements, migration ecology, feeding ecology, species interactions, etc.). Proposed projects must take place in the Americas. We encourage proposals from citizens/residents of countries south of the U.S. A total of \$1000 will be awarded annually, either to one person or divided among two recipients. Any person, of any age, beginning a career in biology is eligible. Enrollment in an academic program is desirable, but not required. Proposals are due each year by December 1. The Award will be announced by the following March 1.

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Kathryn Fuller Science for Nature Fund - Fellowships <http://worldwildlife.org/fellowships/fuller-fellow.cfm>

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The Fuller Fellowships support early-career, post-doctoral scientists pursuing research of extraordinary importance and relevance to conservation. Fuller Fellowships link these scientists and their research to on-the-ground conservation work through WWF's global network of conservation scientists and practitioners. Fuller Fellows are provided with stipend and a research budget, and are co-advised by both academic and WWF mentors. Depending on the project, Fellows can be based at a research institution, at WWF, or in the field.

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Kathryn Fuller Science for Nature Fund - Visiting scientists [http://worldwildlife.org/fellowships/fuller\\_visiting\\_scholars.cfm](http://worldwildlife.org/fellowships/fuller_visiting_scholars.cfm)

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Starting mid-2007, The Katherine Fuller Science for Nature Fund will provide opportunities for senior scientists to connect their work more strongly to conservation practice through its Visiting Scientists program. During a three- to nine-month sabbatical at WWF, Visiting Scientists will work in close collaboration with WWF scientists and conservationists, receive research funds and will

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be encouraged to spend their time at WWF offices and field locations.

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King Faisal  
Foundation

<http://www.kff.com/>

**Scholarships:** Since 1981, KFF has been awarding scholarships to outstanding Muslim students to undertake their postgraduate studies in science, medicine and engineering. KFF Scholarships are tenable at any prestigious European, American or Canadian university, as well as universities in New Zealand and Australia, or any other industrially advanced country. The program covers two to three years of study and provides full tuition and a generous monthly stipend. KFF seeks to sponsor those individuals who are committed to the progress and development of their societies. KFF Scholarship recipients are not only scholastic but they possess outstanding leadership and communication abilities. They contribute to the social welfare and advancement of humanity and uphold the best of character.

**Philanthropic grants:** Many grants are one-time contributions, such as funding the building or repair of mosques, schools, clinics, and community centres, or the digging of water wells. Wherever possible, however, the Foundation supports projects whose long-term benefits help to make communities self-sufficient.

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Leakey Foundation

<http://www.leakeyfoundation.org/grants/>

The Leakey Foundation was formed to foster research into human origins. Recent priorities include research into the environment, archeology, and human paleontology of the Miocene, Pliocene, and Pleistocene; the behavior, morphology, and ecology of the great apes and other primate species; and the behavioral ecology of contemporary hunter-gatherers. Other areas of study have been funded occasionally.

The Leakey Foundation awards grants in the following categories: **General Research Grants** are awarded twice annually and constitute the majority of the Foundation's grant program. Priority for funding is given to the exploratory phases of promising new research projects that meet the stated purpose of the Foundation. The majority of the Foundation's General Research Grants to doctoral student are in the \$3,000-\$13,500 range; however, larger grants, especially to senior scientists and post-doctoral students, may be funded up to \$22,000.

**Franklin Mosher Baldwin Memorial Fellowships** are intended for scholars and students with citizenship in an African country who wish to obtain an advanced degree or specialized training in an area of study related to human origins research

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Lindbergh Foundation

<http://www.lindberghfoundation.org/grants/>

The Charles A. and Anne Morrow Lindbergh Foundation provides grants of up to \$10,580 (a symbolic amount representing the cost of the Spirit of St. Louis) to men and women whose individual

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initiative and work in a wide spectrum of disciplines furthers the Lindberghs' vision of a balance between the advance of technology and the preservation of the natural/human environment. Consider especially the category 'conservation of natural resources'.

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Linnean Society

<http://www.linnean.org/index.php?id=5>

The Linnean Society disburses a limited number of small grants to a total of approximately £30,000 in any one year, as well as awards of medals and prizes for outstanding work in the biological sciences. Those of interest to non-UK citizens are listed here:

**The Systematics Research Fund**

Applications may be submitted after 1 October but must be received before the 31 December of the same year, to be eligible for funds approved in the following calendar year. Decisions will be posted March-April of the year subsequent to submission.

Applications for 2007/2008 will commence in October 2007.

**The Dennis Stanfield Memorial Fund**

Fund was established in 1972 to mark the work of DENNIS STANFIELD in Africa. Awards are made at (even numbered) two-year intervals; the Award should be recognised as a mark or real distinction and take the form of a sum of money of £2000 to assist persons of scientific merit to undertake botanical research on tropical African plants. The recipients of the Award are selected by a Committee appointed by Council and composed of persons having special knowledge of tropical African botany.

**Percy Sladen Memorial Fund**

This Fund only gives grants for FIELD WORK abroad (away from your usual country of residence) in the earth and life sciences. Grants are generally for sums of LESS than 750 Pounds Sterling. NO funds are available for further education of any kind, for visits to conferences, for work in institutions or for field work undertaken as part of a dissertation or higher degree. Undergraduate expeditions are NOT supported.

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Liz Claiborne and Art Ortenberg Foundation

<http://www.lcaof.org/>

The Liz Claiborne and Art Ortenberg Foundation is a private body devoted to the conservation of nature and the amelioration of human distress. The Foundation seeks to redress the breakdown in the processes linking nature and humanity. It concerns itself particularly with matters of species extinction, habitat destruction and fragmentation, resource depletion and resource waste. It favors solutions that directly benefit local communities and serve as exemplars for saving species and wildlands. The Foundation supports field projects that satisfy the following criteria:

- A project should be designed with and supported by the local

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people most directly affected.

- A project should be modest in scale at its inception. It should also be realistic in its expectations, given the need for widespread support and the long-term dedication of all its participants.
- A project should have clearly stated objectives and include measurable and verifiable indices of success. These might include the improved status of a species or an area, increased local awareness of conservation and improvements in the lives of those affected by the project.
- A project should be designed and justified on sound criteria and firm scientific grounds.

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MacArthur Foundation <http://www.macfound.org/>  
(John D. and  
Catherine T.  
MacArthur Foundation)

The 'Conservation and Sustainable Development' grantmaking area is dedicated to conserving biodiversity, to enhancing knowledge of how to use natural resources sustainably over the long term, and to ensuring that those living in or near sensitive areas benefit from conservation efforts. Work is supported in a small number of tropical biogeographic zones, chosen for their richness of species diversity, endemism, limited institutional capacity, and level of threat. MacArthur also supports research exploring approaches to conservation that recognize the important interaction between people and protected areas.

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Malacological Society <http://www.malacsoc.org.uk/Awards.htm>  
of London

[Research Grants](#) At least five awards each year, each with a value of up to £1000 to support research on molluscs that is likely to lead to publication. The closing date for applications each year is the 15 December. Grants are preferentially conferred on students and researchers without professional positions and without regard to nationality or membership of the Society. Preference is also given to discrete research projects that fall within subjects covered by the Society's Journal of Molluscan Studies. Successful applicants will be notified by 31 March. [Travel Grants](#) are available as bursaries to support student attendance at a conference or workshop relevant to malacology. Applicants do not have to be members of the Society. The value of each of these awards is up to £500, and the Society anticipates that at least five awards will be made annually. The application should have the support of the project supervisor. In years when a UNITAS Congress is held, a number of these awards are likely to be used to support student participation at this meeting. There are two closing dates each year, 30th June for travel starting between 1st September of the current year and 28th February of the following year, and 15th December for travel starting between 1st March and 31st August of the following year.

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**Sir Charles Maurice Yonge Awards:** Successful applications for Research Grants or Travel Awards that are concerned with the study of Bivalvia may be awarded as Sir Charles Maurice Yonge Awards. **Annual Award:** This Award is a single award made each year for an exceptionally promising initial contribution to the study of molluscs. This is often a thesis or collection of publications. The value of the Award is £500. Candidates need not be a member of the Society but must be nominated by a member. There is no application form: the nominating member should send the material for evaluation with a covering letter or letter of support to the Honorary Awards Secretary. The closing date each year is 1st November. The winner will be notified by 31st March.

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Max and Anna Levinson Foundation <http://www.levinsonfoundation.org>

Grants are currently awarded once a year and are mostly in the \$10,000 to \$20,000 range. We are rarely able to fund organizations with budgets in excess of \$1,000,000 per year. The Environment is one of the three categories that receive funding from this foundation. Themes include Protection of Ecosystems and Biological Diversity; Alternative Energy and Conversion from the Oil Economy; Alternative Agriculture and Local Green Economic Development; Breaking the Link Between Resource Extraction, Civil and International Conflict, and Markets; and the Development of Environmental Movements.

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Missouri Botanical Garden [http://www.mobot.org/MOBOT/Research/training/english\\_version.shtml](http://www.mobot.org/MOBOT/Research/training/english_version.shtml)

The training program of the Missouri Botanical Garden (MBG) in Latin America provides instruction, field experience, and other research experience for students and professionals in botany and conservation biology. The main objective of the program is to develop a cadre of well-trained scientists for the study and conservation of the rich biodiversity that occurs in the Latin American countries. Currently, training activities are concentrated mainly in Ecuador, Peru and Bolivia.

Elizabeth E. Bascom Fellowships in Botany for Latin American Women <http://www.mobot.org/MOBOT/Research/bascom/bascom.shtml>

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Mpala Wildlife Foundation (Mpala Research Centre) <http://www.mpala.org/researchctr/research/propose.html>

Mpala Wildlife Foundation is dedicated to conserving the land, wildlife and natural resources of Mpala, as well as improving the quality of life for the people of Laikipia, Kenya. The Mpala Research Centre welcomes applications by scientists and graduate students proposing new research projects. Research can be conducted at Mpala by any applicant with an explicitly proposed, funded, and approved project. The Mpala Research Centre was created as a facility for research and training in the environmental sciences, biodiversity conservation, and natural

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Nando Peretti  
Foundation

<http://www.nandoperettifound.org/default.aspx>

Linking people, wildlife and the environment. The main source of inspiration for Elsa Peretti has always been nature. The same gift which enables her to abstract the essence of a shape from the details surrounding it has brought her to develop a particular attention to life even in its humblest forms. Over time, this aesthetic enchantment grew into an active concern over the future of our planet. In this process, two major challenges stand out as the core of her struggle to give concrete help to our future: the defence of environment and the empowerment of children through the protection of their right to education and health. At the beginning of the new millennium she realizes what she considers the most ambitious achievement of her life, that of assembling a staff of motivated people in a Foundation able to take up these challenges.

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National Fish and  
Wildlife Foundation

<http://www.nfwf.org/>

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation is a private, non-profit, tax-exempt organization dedicated to the conservation of fish, wildlife, and plants, and the habitat on which they depend. [Shell Marine Habitat Program](#): The purpose of this partnership is to provide grants for projects that benefit marine habitat in and around the Gulf of Mexico. [Coral Reef Conservation](#): The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) is accepting proposals for projects that build public-private partnerships to reduce and prevent degradation of coral reefs and associated reef habitats. Projects may address causes of coral reef degradation wherever they occur, from coastal watersheds to the reefs and surrounding marine environment. [International Sea Turtle Conservation Fund](#): The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) announces the availability of limited matching grant funding for international sea turtle conservation projects in the Western Hemisphere. Priority will be given to projects in the Caribbean or along the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts of Latin America. [Save The Tiger Fund](#): the Fund is dedicated to supporting the conservation of Asia's remaining wild tigers. The Fund invests in a variety of different projects which increase cooperation and communication, build local leadership, and deliver effective on-the-ground conservation to tigers in human-dominated landscapes.

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National Geographic  
Society  
(Conservation trust)

[http://www.nationalgeographic.com/conservation/grant\\_applications.html](http://www.nationalgeographic.com/conservation/grant_applications.html)

The objective of the Conservation Trust is to support conservation activities around the world as they fit within the mission of the National Geographic Society. The trust will fund projects that contribute significantly to the preservation and sustainable use of the Earth's biological, cultural, and historical resources.

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National Geographic Society (Committee for Research and Exploration)	<a href="http://www.nationalgeographic.com/research/grant_application.html">http://www.nationalgeographic.com/research/grant_application.html</a>	The National Geographic Society awards grants for scientific field research and exploration through its Committee for Research and Exploration. All proposed projects must have both a geographical dimension and relevance to other scientific fields and be of broad scientific interest. Applications are generally limited to: anthropology, archaeology, astronomy, biology, botany, geography, geology, oceanography, paleontology, and zoology. In addition the committee is emphasizing multidisciplinary projects that address environmental issues (e.g., loss of biodiversity and habitat, effects of human-population pressures). Funding is not restricted to United States citizens. Researchers planning work in foreign countries should include at least one local collaborator as part of their research teams. Grant amounts vary greatly, most range from U.S. \$15,000 to \$20,000.
National Geographic Society (Expedition Council)	<a href="http://www.nationalgeographic.com/council/">http://www.nationalgeographic.com/council/</a>	The National Geographic Expeditions Council (EC) funds exploration and adventure around the world. EC grants support a wide range of projects including marine research, archaeological discoveries, documentation of vanishing rain forests, first ascents, and more. Grants generally range from U.S. \$5,000 to \$35,000 and are to be used for direct field expenses: transportation, supplies, subsistence, and permit costs as well as other related fees (e.g., interpreters, guides, and porters).
National Geographic Society (Young Explorers Grant)	<a href="http://www.nationalgeographic.com/yeg/">http://www.nationalgeographic.com/yeg/</a>	Enhancing our efforts to foster the next generation of researchers, explorers, and conservationists, National Geographic now provides seed grants to individuals between the ages of 18 and 25 in the fields we have a rich history of supporting. Young Explorers Grants provide the opportunity for many recipients to pursue their first experiences in the field.
National Science Foundation's PEET programme		See Partnerships for Enhancing Expertise in Taxonomy (P.E.E.T.)
Neotropical Bird Club	<a href="http://www.neotropicalbirdclub.org/club.asp?ClubID=15">http://www.neotropicalbirdclub.org/club.asp?ClubID=15</a>	Research grants of \$500 to \$1500 are available subject to certain conditions. Grants are available for conservation work or research which may be of conservation benefit. There are no formal deadlines. Applications are assessed on a rolling basis by a conservation sub-committee and successful applications then have to be approved by the Council of the Neotropical Bird Club. You will be informed of the outcome of your application as soon as possible thereafter.
Netherlands Committee for IUCN (NC-IUCN)	<a href="http://www.nciucn.nl/english/funds/index.htm">http://www.nciucn.nl/english/funds/index.htm</a>	The Netherlands Committee for IUCN (NC-IUCN) is a cooperative agreement between the Dutch members of IUCN, and the Dutch members of the six international IUCN commissions. IUCN NL has three small grants funding schemes.

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**Ecosystem Grants Programme:** The Ecosystem Grants Programme (EGP) of IUCN NL funds projects of non governmental, local organizations in the South that link ecosystem conservation and poverty issues. The EGP will provide maximum financial assistance of Euro 85,000 for a project (all phases included). There is no minimum. Focal regions have been established for the EGP.

**Purchase of Nature:** The objective of this programme is to support local NGO's in the purchase of vulnerable nature, with the aim to conserve biodiversity on the long term.

**Biodiversity and Tourism micro-fund:** yet to be started (2007)

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New England Biolabs Foundation <http://www.nebf.org/international.us.html>

NEBF is an independent private foundation supporting grassroots organizations working with the environment, social change, the arts, elementary education, and science. The Foundation encourages proposals from or about communities in developing countries where even a small dollar amount can make a tremendous impact. However, due to the size of the Foundation, we must limit our grants to specific countries. We generally prefer NOT to fund projects in countries in which there is interest from larger foundations (i.e., Costa Rica, South Africa). We do not fund projects in large countries (i.e., former Soviet Union, Brazil, India, Mexico).

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Organization for Tropical Studies - [http://www.ots.duke.edu/en/research/fellowships\\_ots.shtml](http://www.ots.duke.edu/en/research/fellowships_ots.shtml)

Research Fellowship Program

**Research Fellowship Programme:** Awards are intended to assist thesis-related field research in tropical biology and similar fields. Research fellowships up to \$3,000. Pilot awards for exploratory research up to \$1,500. Due to limitations on funds, proposals will only be accepted for research at OTS field stations (Costa Rica), with the exception of one annual fellowship for research at the Cocha Cashu field station in Peru, and the new Hovore-Horn Entomology Fellowships. Awards are intended to cover budget items such as travel, food, and lodging. Capital expenses such as equipment will receive lower priority. Salaries or stipends for the investigator are not allowed, but salaries for field assistants will be considered.

**Donald & Beverly Stone Endowment:** Fellowships awarded from the Stone Endowment are open to all fields of inquiry and include the following named fellowships: Francis J. Bossuyt Fellowship, William L. Brown Fellowships, David and Deborah Clark Fellowship, Rexford Daubenmire Fellowships, Dole Food Fellowships, Emily P. Foster Fellowships, Hovore-Horn Fellowships, Lillian and Murray Slatkin Fellowships, F. Christian and Betty Thompson Fellowship, Christiane and Christopher Tyson Fellowships.

**Glaxo Wellcome Endowment:** The endowment was established by GlaxoWellcome Centro América. This endowment provides funding for Latin American graduate students only and is open to all fields of

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inquiry.

**Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowships:** The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation has been a major supporter of the OTS Education program since the mid 1980's. These fellowships support graduate thesis research on plant and ecosystem-oriented projects.

**Peace Frogs Fellowships:** The fellowship was created in 1995 by Peace Frogs, a Washington, D.C. based clothing company, and provides funding for graduate students interested in conducting herpetological research, particularly with threatened or endangered species. For more information on Peace Frogs visit the Peace Frogs web page <http://www.peacefrogs.com/>.

**Rowe Family Fellowships:** Rowe Family Fellowships will be awarded on a competitive basis to students from throughout the U.S. and Latin America. Rowe Fellowships will enable selected students to conduct their thesis work at an OTS research station in Costa Rica or to receive a post-course award after taking an OTS course.

**Water Quality Environmental Outreach Program:** Applicants interested in water quality environmental outreach in Costa Rica  
**Stanley Smith Horticultural Fellowships:** The fellowship is funded by the Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust. The fellowship provides funding for horticultural work and systematics research on tropical plants of interest to the Wilson Botanical Garden. While it is open at all levels, curatorial expertise in tropical plant groups is essential to obtain approval.

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Ornithological Society of the Middle East -Conservation Fund Grants <http://www.osme.org/osme/conprog.html>

OSME welcomes applications for grants of up to UK£500 from its Conservation and Research Fund, to support research projects in the region. Projects should be directed to one or more of the following subject areas:-

- i) investigating the status of threatened or near-threatened species
- ii) attempting to further knowledge of existing Important Bird Areas (e.g. undertaking breeding censuses, visiting out-of-season to conduct systematic counts)
- iii) investigating potential new Important Bird Areas or little-known areas
- iv) conducting ecological studies of little-known species
- v) educational projects

Priority will be given to projects involving nationals from the region and applicants are required to write up the results of their project for possible publication in Sandgrouse.

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Pablo Canevari Award <http://www.shorebirdworld.org/template.php?g=11&c=9>

The Pablo Canevari Award was established in 2000 to honor Pablo Canevari. The Award is a \$1,000 grant to a Latin American nominee or organization to support research and/conservation efforts

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		focused on shorebirds. Nominations may be submitted by completing a nomination form [only in Spanish] no later than October 31st.
PADI Foundation	<a href="http://www.padifoundation.org/index.htm">http://www.padifoundation.org/index.htm</a>	The PADI FOUNDATION encourages and supports underwater science, environmental projects, and education. The Foundation will fund and assist worthwhile projects that will enrich mankind's understanding of the aquatic environment and encourage sensitivity to and protection of the delicate ecological balance of underwater life. The Foundation will also fund worthwhile projects to increase understanding of sport diving physics and physiology that will benefit the general diving public and add to the scientific understanding of man's relationship and ability to survive in the underwater environment. In 2007, the Foundation expects to award a total of approximately \$180,000 and will consider proposals with budgets up to \$20,000 although the average for proposals will be on the order of \$5,000 to \$10,000. The Foundation will not fund overhead or other indirect expenses.
Partnerships for Enhancing Expertise in Taxonomy (P.E.E.T.)	<a href="http://web.nhm.ku.edu/peet/">http://web.nhm.ku.edu/peet/</a>	The National Science Foundation (NSF), in partnership with academic institutions, botanical gardens, freshwater and marine institutes, and natural history museums, seeks to enhance and stimulate taxonomic research and help prepare future generations of experts. NSF announces a special competition, Partnerships for Enhancing Expertise in Taxonomy (PEET), to support competitively reviewed research projects that target groups of poorly known organisms. This effort is designed to encourage the training of new generations of taxonomists and to translate current expertise into electronic databases and other formats with broad accessibility to the scientific community.
P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship	<a href="http://www.peointernational.org/about/ips-policies.pdf">http://www.peointernational.org/about/ips-policies.pdf</a>	P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship (IPS) Fund was established in 1949 to provide scholarships for international women students to pursue graduate study in the United States and Canada.
Planetary Biodiversity Inventories (PBI)	<a href="http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2006/nsf06500/nsf06500.htm">http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2006/nsf06500/nsf06500.htm</a>	To accelerate the discovery and study of the world's biodiversity, proposals are invited from teams of investigators to conduct a worldwide, species-level systematic inventory of a major group of organisms. Each project should conduct fieldwork necessary to fill gaps in existing collections, produce descriptions, taxonomic revisions, web-searchable databases, and interactive keys (or other automated identification tools) for all new and known species in the targeted group, analyze their phylogenetic relationships, and establish predictive classifications for the group. Proposals may target any particular group of organisms, from terrestrial, fresh-water, or marine habitats, at any feasible level in the taxonomic hierarchy, but must be global in scope.

Primate Conservation, Inc.	<a href="http://www.primate.org/">http://www.primate.org/</a>	PCI is a non-profit foundation, which funds research that supports conservation programmes for wild populations of primates. Priority is given to projects that study the least known and endangered species in their natural habitat. The involvement of citizens from the country in which the primates are found is desirable. The grant is intended to provide support for original research that can be used to formulate and to implement conservation plans for the species being studied. Asia and West Africa are of particular interest, but all regions will be considered. Grants have averaged approximately \$2,500, with a maximum grant of \$5,000. We do not support conferences, travel to scientific meetings, legal actions, tuitions or salaries at institutions, and overhead costs.
Rainforest Alliance	<a href="http://www.rainforest-alliance.org/">http://www.rainforest-alliance.org/</a>	<p><a href="#">Kleinhans Fellowship for Research in Tropical Non-Timber Forest Products</a>: The Kleinhans Fellowship synthesizes elements of conservation and business -- providing solid research data into non-timber forest product supply and market development -- in order to provide alternative income sources for communities living in or near tropical forests. Kleinhans Fellows study the ecology of the local forest, existing resources with economic potential, possible local and international markets and challenges that must be overcome.</p> <p><a href="#">Eco-Business Grants</a>. CCE eco-business grants support projects that are designed and carried out by local entrepreneurs and communities. CCE has awarded over 130 grants worldwide over the past 16 years. Since its inception, CCE has invested over \$200,000 in community projects.</p>
Ramsar Convention Small Grants Fund	<a href="http://www.ramsar.org/key_sgf_index.htm">http://www.ramsar.org/key_sgf_index.htm</a>	The Ramsar Small Grants Fund assists developing countries and those with economies in transition to enable the conservation and wise use of wetland resources.
Research Fellow Partnership Programme for Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources (RFPP)	See Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH)	
Robert S. McNamara Fellowships Program	<a href="http://www.worldbank.org/wbi/mcnamara.html">http://www.worldbank.org/wbi/mcnamara.html</a>	The Robert S. McNamara Fellowships Program supports development through innovative research. The Program focuses on issues critical to improving the lives of the most vulnerable people in the developing world. Specifically, the Program aims to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establish a network of emerging leaders and development thinkers who can generate and help bring about creative and thoughtful approaches to development problems;</li> <li>Sustain research capacity among young scholars in developing countries; and</li> </ul>

		Contribute empirical research findings toward the preparation of the World Bank's central annual statement on development, the World Development Report.
Robert and Patricia Switzer Foundation	<a href="http://www.switzernetwork.org/">http://www.switzernetwork.org/</a>	Several possibilities available.
Rolex Awards	<a href="http://www.rolexawards.com/">http://www.rolexawards.com/</a>	Aimed at fostering a spirit of enterprise around the world, the Rolex Awards recognise pioneering concepts and innovative thought by giving individuals the means to carry out a major undertaking. The Rolex Awards fund new or ongoing work. Winners receive a financial contribution to implement their projects a Rolex chronometer and worldwide recognition of their efforts and aspirations. Anyone of any age or from any country can apply for a Rolex Award for Enterprise. While winners in most major award programmes are nominated by their peers, Rolex Award candidates put forward their own ideas and projects.
Rothamsted International	<a href="http://www.rothamsted-international.org/">http://www.rothamsted-international.org/</a>	Rothamsted International endeavours to share research excellence across the world for the benefit of rural economies and for agricultural and environmental sustainability. <u><a href="#">Rothamsted International Fellowship Scheme</a></u> : The Fellowship scheme enables scientists from developing and less developed countries to carry out research projects for 6 to 12 months in collaboration with partner scientists at Rothamsted Research. Currently, we have particularly strong institutional links with Cuba, India, Kenya and China. The <u><a href="#">Rothamsted International African Fellows Programme</a></u> provides problem-focused training in Europe for mid-career African scientists. The purpose of the programme is to assist in capacity building, institutional strengthening and knowledge transfer in order to find relevant solutions to the problems of achieving sustainable agricultural production, as well as improving rural development and conservation of biodiversity. Fellowships can vary from 4 to 12 months depending on the nature of the project.
Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences -  Belgian Focal Point to the Global Taxonomy Initiative	<a href="http://bch-cbd.naturalsciences.be/belgium/cooperation/projects/gti/eligible.htm">http://bch-cbd.naturalsciences.be/belgium/cooperation/projects/gti/eligible.htm</a>	<b>Call for proposals to taxonomic capacity building under the Global Taxonomy Initiative (GTI)</b> : Seed money is available for institutions or individuals from developing countries in need of taxonomic and curatorial training. Such training should invariably have a clearly identified output in terms of increased taxonomic and/or curatorial capacity for the developing country or its region. Training is usually provided in the form of study visits in Belgium (2 to 6 weeks). It is occasionally given in the form of group training in the country of the applicant (1 week general training and/or 1-2 weeks of taxon-specific training).
Royal Botanic Gardens	<a href="http://www.kew.org/scihort/trop">http://www.kew.org/scihort/trop</a>	The Kew Latin American Research Fellowships Programme offers

Kew -  Kew Latin American Research Fellowships Programme (KLARF)	<a href="http://www.kew.org/usa/america/Klarffellowships.htm">america/Klarffellowships.htm</a>	support for visiting scientists from Latin America (including the West Indies and the Guianas) wishing to consult collections or conduct botanical research at Kew or the Natural History Museum. Fellowships may also include visits to other European research institutes. This programme serves as an important mechanism for promoting active collaboration between UK and Latin American scientists.
Royal Geographical Society	<a href="http://www.rgs.org/OurWork/Grants/Grants.htm">http://www.rgs.org/OurWork/Grants/Grants.htm</a>	<p>The Society provides funding for geographical research, fieldwork and teaching. The grants are wide-ranging and offer support to desk and field-based researchers, research teams and school teachers. Grants are for work in both the UK and overseas and range in value from £350 to £15,000.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Expeditions &amp; Fieldwork. Grants for undergraduate teams and other research expeditions</li> <li>- Journey of a Lifetime Award. An original journey to be broadcast on BBC Radio 4</li> <li>- Students. Funding for undergraduate, Masters and PhD student</li> <li>- Research. Grants for post-doctoral research and established scientists</li> <li>- Teaching: Grants for geography teachers and lecturers</li> </ul>
Royal Museum for Central Africa	<a href="http://www.africamuseum.be/research/cooperation/research/cooperation/developcooperation/stages/visits">http://www.africamuseum.be/research/cooperation/research/cooperation/developcooperation/stages/visits</a>	<p><b>African Biodiversity Information Centre (ABIC):</b> The purpose of the ABIC study visits is to promote, organise and disseminate information, and provide technical and scientific assistance to African researchers in the inventory and sustainable management of their biodiversity. Each year scholarships are granted to individual study visits that range from 2 weeks up to 2 months.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- see also <a href="#">ABIC in Zoology</a> - see also <a href="#">ABIC in Wood biology</a></li> <li><b>FishBase and fish taxonomy:</b> This training session in the use of FishBase (an on-line encyclopaedia on fish) and its various tools has been run since 2005. It also includes training on the taxonomy of African fresh-water fish. The course lasts 3 months, is run by turns in French and English, and is for no more than 5 participants.</li> <li><b>Development Co-operation Prize:</b> The purpose of this prize of encouragement is to invite young people to take an interest in international co-operation. The Prize is aimed at students and young scientists. They can compete for a prize by submitting either a Bachelor's thesis, a Master's thesis, a Ph.D. thesis or a publication. In order to be eligible, the works are to show sufficient relevance for development, i.e. they should provide an important contribution to the knowledge which can be applied in the pursuit of sustainable development in the South. Participation</li> </ul>

		is open for either Belgians (or persons with a right of permanent residence in Belgium) or citizens of the South ('developing countries' as defined by the OECD).
Rufford Maurice Laing Foundation	<a href="http://www.rufford.org/">http://www.rufford.org/</a>	<p>The Rufford Maurice Laing Foundation supports sustainable projects aimed at protecting critically endangered wildlife, counteracting biodiversity loss and conserving the environment in partnership with local communities/stakeholders, predominantly in the developing world.</p> <p>The <a href="#">Rufford Small Grants</a> (RSGs) are aimed at small conservation programmes and pilot projects. In general, the Foundation favours work at a habitat or ecosystem level rather than species-specific work.</p> <p><a href="#">Innovations Awards</a> are given to new, substantial projects which could have ground-breaking effects in nature conservation in the developing world. Projects receive a one-off grant of up to £50,000.</p>
Shell Centenary Scholarship Fund	<a href="http://www.shellscholar.org/apply/index.html">http://www.shellscholar.org/apply/index.html</a>	<p>The Shell Centenary Scholarship Fund (TSCSF) offers postgraduate students from developing countries the opportunity to study in the United Kingdom and the Netherlands, and gain skills that will make a long-term contribution to the further development of their countries. Each year nearly 90 students will be given major scholarships (for one year in the UK, and for two years in NL). Partners in the scheme are the University of Cambridge, Durham University, The University of Edinburgh, Imperial College London, University of Leeds, The University of Oxford and University College London in the UK, and with Delft University of Technology, Eindhoven University of Technology and University of Twente in the Netherlands.</p>
Sigma Xi Grants-in-Aid of Research (GIAR)	<a href="http://www.sigmaxi.org/programs/giar/index.shtml">http://www.sigmaxi.org/programs/giar/index.shtml</a>	<p>The Sigma Xi Grants-in-Aid of Research (GIAR) program awards grants of up to \$1,000 to students from all areas of the sciences and engineering. Designated funds from the National Academy of Sciences allow for grants of up to \$5,000 for astronomy research and \$2,500 for vision related research. Students use the funding to pay for travel expenses to and from a research site, or for purchase of non-standard laboratory equipment necessary to complete a specific research project.</p>
SmithFellows	<a href="http://www.smithfellows.org/fellowships.cfm">http://www.smithfellows.org/fellowships.cfm</a>	<p>Smith post-doctoral fellowships are designed to enable selected young scientists to improve and expand their research skills, to direct their research efforts toward problems of pressing conservation concern, and to avail themselves of unique research opportunities by working closely with conservation practitioners. The Fellow is expected to design, initiate, and conduct an original research project developed in collaboration with both an</p>

		academic mentor (selected by the Fellow) and a conservation mentor (selected either by the Fellow, or selected in collaboration with the Society for Conservation Biology and the Smith Fellowship Program).
Smithsonian Institution - Mpala Postdoctoral fellow		Mpala Postdoctoral Fellow in biology, anthropology, geology, hydrology, material science, social science, soil science or related areas. Tenable in residence at Smithsonian facilities and Mpala Research Centre, Kenya (see <a href="http://www.mpala.org">www.mpala.org</a> ).
Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History	<a href="http://www.nmnh.si.edu/rtp/">http://www.nmnh.si.edu/rtp/</a>	The Research training Program is a ten-week in-residence summer research and study curriculum exclusively for currently enrolled undergraduate students.
Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute	<a href="http://www.stri.org/">http://www.stri.org/</a>	<p>The Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute (STRI) located in the Republic of Panama and maintains research facilities in different marine and terrestrial locations on the Isthmus of Panama. There are a number of training opportunities available for pre-graduate, graduate and postgraduate students.</p> <p><a href="#">CTFS Research Grants Programs</a>: This grants program is intended to provide opportunities for senior researchers, post-doctoral fellows, and graduate students to utilize existing Forest Dynamics Plots and to conduct research with scientists associated with these plots.</p> <p><a href="#">Fellowships in Tropical Biology</a> : STRI offers fellowships for undergraduate, predoctoral and postdoctoral research in the areas represented by its scientific staff. Disciplines include ecology, anthropology, paleontology, paleoecology, evolutionary biology, molecular phylogenetics, biogeography, animal behavior, neurobiology, soils sciences, and physiology of tropical plants and animals.</p> <p><a href="#">Fellowships for Latin American Students</a> : short-term (3-4 month) fellowships for independent research projects at the STRI in Panama. Awards include airfare to and from Panama from country of origin, up to \$2000 for research expenses, and a stipend for living expenses. Applicants can be from students of any university in Latin America, but preference will be given to those from Central America and Panama.</p>
Society for Invertebrate Pathology (SIP)	<a href="http://www.sipweb.org/memorial_Fund.cfm">http://www.sipweb.org/memorial_Fund.cfm</a>	The Society for Invertebrate Pathology Memorial Fund was established to provide a means for SIP colleagues, friends or family to honor an SIP member via donations in their name. The interest accrued from investment of these funds will be used to further the advancement of the field and/or the practitioners of invertebrate pathology. The Chris J. Lomer Memorial Award provides grants that support travel to SIP meetings for insect pathologists working in the developing world.

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Society for  
Conservation Biology

<http://www.conbio.org/Activities/Awards/>

**Distinguished Service Awards:** The Society for Conservation Biology presents up to five awards for distinguished service in the field of conservation biology to outstanding individuals, groups, or institutions whose work has furthered the mission of the SCB. The Awards Committee is soliciting nominations from SCB members for these awards, which will be presented at the annual meeting of the SCB. To nominate an individual or institution for an award, a nomination packet, to include a minimum of two supporting letters, must be received by 1 October of the year before the award year.

**Edward T. LaRoe III Memorial Award:** it is given annually to an individual who has been a leader in translating principles of conservation biology into real-world conservation. Nominees may work in any country or academic field or for any type of organization as long as they have effectively brought science to bear on policy issues. Preference is given to individuals who have spent at least part of their career in public service. Nominations should include a letter of support for your nominee and the nominee's curriculum vitae or other biographic materials.

[Young Women Conservation Biologists \(YWCB\) Award](#) for professional African Women. The YWCB has introduced a **non-monetary award** on a nomination basis, aimed at recognising the contributions of early to mid-career African women in conservation.

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Society for the Study  
of Amphibians and  
Reptiles -  
Grants in Herpetology  
Program

<http://www.ssarherps.org/pages/GIH.php>

The SSAR is a not-for-profit organization established to advance research, conservation, and education concerning amphibians and reptiles. It is the largest international herpetological society.

Grants-in Herpetology Program. This program is intended to provide financial support for deserving individuals or organizations involved in herpetological research, education, or conservation.

1. Conservation of amphibians and/or reptiles. Proposals should address research (particularly conservation biology) on species endangered or threatened at the state, national, or international level, or address research on potentially threatened habitats or species, or on introduced injurious species.
2. Field research. Proposals may address needs for field station fees or equipment and materials in field oriented projects, or the field work portions of broader studies. This might include in-situ behavioral studies, ecological, life history, or sexual selection studies. Survey work by individuals or regional societies may be submitted here or in TRAVEL below depending on how the funds are to be used.
3. Laboratory research. Proposals may address needs for equipment or materials in laboratory projects or laboratory portions of broader projects. This might include studies in behavior,

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biochemistry, molecular biology, biomechanics, or physiology. 4. Herpetological education. Proposals may address an educational project or start up support for an educational program in a zoo, museum, park, nature center, regional herpetological society, etc. The project must focus on a herpetological topic. 5. Travel. Proposals may address support for travel to field study sites near or far, or to utilize distant collections or facilities. If funding is sought to get from one place to another, proposals should be submitted in the TRAVEL category. Proposals normally submitted in the 'conservation' or 'field research' categories should be submitted here if travel funding is being sought. 6. International. Proposals may address needs in any of the above five categories. The applicant must be a student, but not necessarily a SSAR member. Preference will be given to students with limited access to research funds and in countries where herpetological research has historically been under-funded.

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Society of Systematic Biologists - <http://systbiol.org/info/awards.html>

Graduate Awards

Important portal that holds information on a number of student awards and grants.

Included are:

- [Mini-PEET](#)
- [Scholarships and travel awards for scientists from developing countries](#)
- [President's Award](#)
- [The Ernst Mayr Award in Systematic Biology](#)
- [Society of Systematic Biologists Awards for Graduate Student Research](#)
- [The Publisher's Award for Excellence in Systematic Research](#)

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Society of Systematic Biologists - <http://systbio.org/?q=node/25>

Scholarships and travel awards for scientists from developing countries

SSB is pleased to announce the availability of scholarships for scholars from developing countries to attend workshops and courses in systematics, or to visit a lab engaged in systematic research for training. The emphasis of this program is the transfer of knowledge to the scholar's home country. Therefore, applicants should currently be in their home country or have definite plans to return in the near future. Support for attending a course will be contingent on admission to the course through the normal admissions process.

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Sophie Danforth Conservation Biology Fund <http://www.rogerwilliamsparkzoo.org/conservation/danforth.cfm>

The Sophie Danforth Conservation Biology Fund (SDCBF), established by the Roger Williams Park Zoo and the Rhode Island Zoological Society in 1989, supports conservation programs that protect threatened wildlife and habitats worldwide. Field studies and other projects that demonstrate a multi-disciplinary approach to

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		<p>biodiversity and ecosystem conservation and projects that involve in-country collaborators receive the highest funding priority. Environmental education programs, development of techniques that can be used in a natural environment, and captive propagation programs that stress an integrative approach to conservation are also appropriate. Projects must directly affect biological conservation. Since 1989, a total of over 40 annual grants of \$1000 each have been awarded to conservation projects worldwide.</p>
<p>Southern African Institute of Forestry - Stellenbosch bursaries</p>	<p><a href="http://www.saif.org.za/index.php?option=com_content&amp;task=view&amp;id=1174&amp;Itemid=58">http://www.saif.org.za/index.php?option=com_content&amp;task=view&amp;id=1174&amp;Itemid=58</a></p>	<p>2 suitable Master's students for a study investigating the use of Remote Sensing in the monitoring and inventorying of Natural Forest and Woodlands in South Africa using the upcoming South African Earth Observation Satellites.</p>
<p>Speciesworld</p>	<p><a href="http://www.speciesworld.com">http://www.speciesworld.com</a></p>	<p>Speciesworld is a limited company registered in England and Wales (registration number 4916778), offering the unique opportunity to immortalize your selected personal name in the history of science and directly support the basic research in the field of biodiversity and protection of nature.</p>
<p>Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH)</p>	<p><a href="http://www.rfpp.ethz.ch/">http://www.rfpp.ethz.ch/</a></p>	<p>Research Fellow Partnership Programme for Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources (RFPP). The overall objective of the RFPP is to enhance the human resource base for research in the fields of agriculture, forestry and natural resource management in international development. RFPP aims at generating development relevant knowledge, training young scientists and establishing research partnerships. These objectives shall be achieved by supporting PhD and post-doctoral fellowships as well as by promoting internships. RFPP projects shall be embedded in research partnerships between a CGIAR centre (or equivalent) and a Swiss research institution.</p>
<p>Systematics Association</p>	<p><a href="http://www.systass.org/awards/">http://www.systass.org/awards/</a></p>	<p>The Systematics Association administers two major funds for the benefit of systematics research. Both funds have an annual funding round with publicised deadlines. Each of the funds have separate eligibility requirements. Applications can only be made through the online forms which are made available during the funding round.</p> <p><u><a href="#">Systematics Research Fund</a></u>: Typical activities supported include contributions to fieldwork expenditure, the purchase of scientific equipment or expertise (e.g. buying time on analytical equipment), specimen preparation (including the cost of temporary technical assistance), and contributions to publication costs. Projects of a more general or educational nature will also be considered, provided that they include a strong systematics component. Typical activities not supported include attendance at scientific meetings</p>

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and contributions to student maintenance or tuition fees. The fund does not provide payments for Bench Fees.

[Collaborative Scheme for Systematics Research](#): The BBSRC Collaborative Scheme for Systematics Research (Co-Syst) is designed to provide short-term funding for new collaborative research in systematics. The initiative is intended to support preliminary collaborative research that will form the basis of novel responsive mode proposals to either BBSRC or NERC. The scheme, which will provide funding of £2k to £20k for collaborative projects with a substantial systematic / phylogenetics / taxonomic component. It is available only to UK-based applicants.

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Tan Kean Cheong Bird Conservation Memorial Fund

The Tan Kean Cheong Bird Conservation Memorial Fund invites applications for financial assistance to carry out bird conservation projects in Malaysia. Any individual or non-profit organization can apply for financial assistance. The only requirement is that the funding must be for a bird conservation project. However, priority will be given to projects involving public awareness, education, threatened species and threatened habitats.

For further enquiries, write to the Malaysian Nature Society Perak Branch at the address below:

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Teresa and H. John Heinz III Foundation. <http://www.hfp.heinz.org/programs/environmentalscholars.html>

The Teresa Heinz Scholars for Environmental Research program affirms commitment to the environment. Specifically, the program provides enhancement support for doctoral dissertation and master's thesis (or project) research. A total of 16 one-time, one-year awards are offered annually: eight \$10,000 awards for doctoral dissertation support and eight \$5,000 awards for master's thesis support. Funded research must have public policy relevance that increases society's understanding of environmental concerns and proposed solutions. Individuals with dissertations or theses or projects that do not meet these criteria will not be considered. Recipients must participate in either a doctoral or master's program at the following institutions: Carnegie Mellon University (doctoral and masters); Cornell University (doctoral and masters); Harvard University (doctoral and masters); Pennsylvania State University (doctoral and masters); Princeton University (doctoral and masters); Stanford University (doctoral and masters); Yale University (doctoral and masters); Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi (masters program only)

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The Christensen Fund (TCF)	<a href="http://www.christensenfund.org/frame_grants.html">http://www.christensenfund.org/frame_grants.html</a>	The Christensen Fund believes in the power of biological and cultural diversity to sustain and enrich a world faced with great change and uncertainty. We focus on the bio-cultural, the rich but neglected adaptive interweave of people and place, culture and ecology. TCF invites applications from institutions based anywhere in the world for grants within the framework of the Global Biocultural Initiative, which focuses grant making on the interface between natural environments and human cultures, primarily working with peoples and communities variously known as "indigenous", "tribal" and "minority", and the landscapes with which their cultures, histories and artistic expression are so connected. Our Geographic Focus Areas: the Greater South West (Southwest USA and Northwest Mexico), Central Asia and Turkey, the African Rift Valley (Ethiopia), Northern Australia and Melanesia
Threshold Foundation	<a href="http://www.thresholdfoundation.org">http://www.thresholdfoundation.org</a>	The Threshold Foundation is a progressive foundation and a community of individuals united through wealth, who mobilize money, people and power to create a more just, joyful and sustainable world. Its purpose is listed as follows; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To be a powerful and visible model of conscious, effective philanthropy.</li> <li>- To create fertile training grounds that support the full and authentic expression of our passions and purpose.</li> <li>- To be a dynamic forum for learning about social issues and the people working to address them.</li> <li>- To cultivate and continually renew the heart and soul of our community.</li> <li>- To be a vibrant, growing and diverse multi-generational membership organization.</li> <li>- To transform wealth into an instrument of change.</li> </ul> The Foundation has a number of grants on sustainability (hotspots and averting mass extinction)
Third World Organization for Women in Science	<a href="http://www.twows.org/postgrad.html">http://www.twows.org/postgrad.html</a>	The Third World Organization for Women in Science (TWOWS) is the first international forum to unite eminent women scientists from the South with the objective of strengthening their role in the development process and promoting their representation in scientific and technological leadership. It offers Postgraduate Training Fellowships for Women Scientists in Sub-Saharan Africa and Least Developed Countries (LDC)
Third World Academy of Sciences (TWAS)	See Academy of Sciences for the Developing World.	
Tropical Biology	<a href="http://www.tropical-">http://www.tropical-</a>	The Tropical Biology Association is working in partnership with

Association	<a href="http://biology.org/">biology.org/</a>	<p>tropical countries to build expertise in biodiversity conservation and research. Its unique feature is to bring together biologists and conservation practitioners from Europe and tropical countries for relevant and up to date field training.</p> <p><u>Specialist training programme</u>: The Specialist Training Programme is developing the capacity of African institutions in order to make them more effective in their conservation work. The programme is designed to provide tailor-made training in areas that have been identified as top priority by African conservation institutions (e.g. scientific writing, fund raising and communicating results, biodiversity monitoring, ecological sampling techniques and training of trainers).</p> <p><u>TBA courses</u>: The one month long TBA courses are taught at masters level and highlight up to date concepts and techniques in tropical ecology and conservation. The TBA selects equal numbers of European and African participants (approximately 24 participants on each course). The courses comprise of lectures, seminars and field work which demonstrate the current concepts and the techniques used in the field.</p> <p><u>TBA masters scholarship</u>: The TBA Postgraduate Scholarships are annually offered to its African alumni. The scholarships help African alumni undertake postgraduate studies after they have attended TBA courses.</p>
UNEP (United Nations Environment Programme)	<a href="http://www.unep.org/Documents.Multilingual/Default.asp?DocumentID=108">http://www.unep.org/Documents.Multilingual/Default.asp?DocumentID=108</a>	<p>Awards available at UNEP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Champions of the Earth</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">UNEP Sasakawa Prize</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">The Seed Awards</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Volvo Environment Prize</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Focus On Your World - UNEP International Photographic Competition</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">International Hotel and Restaurant Association (IH&amp;RA) Environmental Award</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Zayed International Prize for the Environment</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Global 500 Roll of Honour for Environmental Achievement</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">The LivCom Awards: International Awards for Liveable Communities</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Ozone Awards</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">The Green Awards</a></li> </ul>
UNESCO - Man and Biosphere Programme	<a href="http://www.unesco.org/mab/">http://www.unesco.org/mab/</a>	<p>The Man and the Biosphere Programme (MAB), proposes an interdisciplinary research agenda and capacity building aiming to improve the relationship of people with their environment globally.</p>

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MAB Young Scientists Awards: This award targets young researchers carrying-out interdisciplinary research in line with UNESCO's Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme. Priority is given to projects carried-out in biosphere reserves, on the theme of ecosystems and water.

Research Grants to Young Scientists on Great Apes of Africa: The Director-General of UNESCO allocates US \$100,000 to encourage scientific research and work related to great apes by young scientists under the framework of the MAB Young Scientists Research Award Scheme.

ERAIFT Regional School on Integrated Management of Tropical Forests: The ERAIFT school is located at the University of Kinshasa in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Each year, it trains some 30 African specialists from more than 20 countries to sustainable resources management in tropical forest.

Michel Batisse Award for Biosphere Reserve Management: Management of biosphere reserves in line with the recommendations of the Seville Strategy

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UNESCO -

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L'Oréal Grants for Young Women Scientists

**L'Oréal Prize**: Each year, 5 prizes are given to outstanding women researchers in life or physical sciences and 15 grants to young doctoral or post-doctoral women students in life sciences. One prize is awarded per continent.

**L'Oréal International Fellowships**: each year, 15 international fellowships are awarded to 15 young women researchers in Life Sciences at the doctoral or post-doctoral level, whose promising projects have been accepted by a reputable institution outside their home country.

**L'Oréal National Fellowships with the support of the UNESCO**

**National Commissions**: they anchor the For Women in Science program in countries around the world, while respecting their particularities and specific needs.

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Volkswagen Foundation

<http://www.volkswagen-stiftung.de/>

The Volkswagen Foundation focuses its funding activities on selected funding initiatives. By means of these initiatives, currently 16 in all, it endeavours to provide effective stimuli for research and to establish forward-looking topics. One funding thematic is 'International focus', which covers funding initiatives relating to other countries. There is currently a special focus on Central Asia/Caucasus and Sub-Saharan Africa.

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VLIR-UOS (University cooperation from the Flemish Interuniversity Council)

<http://www.vliruos.be/>

The Flemish Interuniversity Council (VLIR) is responsible for the management of funds provided by the Belgian federal government and intended for university development cooperation. VLIR acts on behalf of the 6 Flemish universities who should use these funds for collaboration with universities, research institutions and

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		institutions for higher education in the South. There are various programmes for research and training, either in Belgium or in collaboration with Belgian teams.
Wallace Global Fund - Natural Resources Program. Objective 4: Ecosystems and biodiversity	<a href="http://www.wgf.org/grants05_natural_resources.html">http://www.wgf.org/grants05_natural_resources.html</a>	The mission of the Wallace Global Fund is to promote an informed and engaged citizenry, to fight injustice, and to protect the diversity of nature and the natural systems upon which all life depends. The Wallace Global Fund recommends submission of a concept paper, not to exceed three pages, prior to submission of a full proposal. Applicants will be informed if a full proposal is warranted, at which time prospective grantees should submit materials and supporting documents.
Western Society of Malacologists	<a href="http://biology.fullerton.edu/orgs/wsm/grants.html">http://biology.fullerton.edu/orgs/wsm/grants.html</a>	As part of their commitment to the continued study of mollusks, the Western Society of Malacologists, the Southwestern Malacological Society, and the San Diego Shell Club are again pleased to announce the availability of grants to support student research in malacology. Funds are available for actual research costs, including but not limited to, field and laboratory equipment, chemicals, photographic supplies, computer time and supplies, microscope usage fees, and reasonable research travel costs. Applicant must be a full time student in a formal graduate or undergraduate degree program. There are no citizenship or affiliation restrictions and students from all countries are eligible.
Whitley Fund for Nature	<a href="http://www.whitleyaward.org/the_awards.php">http://www.whitleyaward.org/the_awards.php</a>	The Whitley Fund for Nature (WFN) offers a wide range of Awards and Grants to outstanding nature conservationists around the world. Our scope of interest has in the past included, but is not limited to: protecting endangered ecosystems and species, promoting sustainability, and influencing environmental policies. Every applicant and project is considered on their own merits.
Wildlife Conservation Society	<a href="http://www.wcs.org/">http://www.wcs.org/</a>	The Wildlife Conservation Society saves wildlife and wild lands through careful science, international conservation, education, and the management of the world's largest system of urban wildlife parks. WCS offers several funding opportunities, e.g.: The <a href="#">Research Fellowship Program</a> is a small grants program designed to build capacity for the next generation of conservationists through supporting individual field research projects that have a clear application to the conservation of threatened wildlife and wildlife habitat. Most of the grantees are professional conservationists from the country of research and/or post-graduates pursuing a higher degree. The <a href="#">Graduate Fellowship Program</a> awards assist the conservation leaders of tomorrow in undertaking graduate studies. We seek

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Asians, Africans and Latin Americans as well as indigenous North Americans with interests in terrestrial and marine conservation issues.

**The [NGO Institutional Development Program](#).** WCS provides institutional development support to partner NGOs through an annual grant-making program funded by Robert W. Wilson. NGOs in Africa, Asia and Latin America have received support under this scheme for staff training, infrastructure development, fundraising support and many other institutional development activities. The [Africa Small Grants Program](#): The Africa Program supports long-term field sites as well as short-term research projects. Note: the program is currently stopped (from May 2006). Check regularly whether it will be reactivated on the WCS website.

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Wilson Ornithological Society <http://www.ummz.umich.edu/birds/wos/awards/wosawards.html>

Each year, the Wilson Ornithological Society offers three research grants. The focus of each differs somewhat, as does the amount of the award. Willingness to report results of the research as an oral or poster paper at an annual meeting of the Wilson Ornithological Society is a condition of all three. The Research Awards Application Form must be used.

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Wilson Ornithological Society - George A. Hall / Harold F. Mayfield Award

This award is limited to independent researchers without access to funds and facilities available at colleges, universities, or governmental agencies, and is restricted to non-professionals, including high school students. Any kind of avian research is eligible. One \$1000 award is given. Formerly known as the Margaret Morse Nice Award

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Wilson Ornithological Society - Louis Agassiz Fuertes Award

The Wilson Society's most prestigious award is available to all ornithologists, although graduate students and young professionals are preferred. Any avian research is eligible. One award of \$2500 is given.

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Wilson Ornithological Society - Margaret Morse Nice Medal

The Margaret Morse Nice Medal is the premiere ornithological award bestowed by the Wilson Ornithological Society. The medal recipient gives the Plenary lecture at the WOS Annual Meeting. 1997

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Wilson Ornithological Society - Paul A. Stewart Awards

Preference will be given to proposals for studies of bird movements based on banding, analysis of recoveries and returns of banded birds, with an emphasis on economic ornithology. Up to four awards of \$500 are given annually.

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World Wildlife Fund - Russell E. Train Education for Nature Program <http://worldwildlife.org/efn/>

The Russell E. Train Education for Nature Program (EFN) aims to build a dynamic and highly qualified corps of conservation leaders in Africa, Asia, and Latin America.

Through a number of initiatives that help build capacity of individuals and institutions, EFN provides potential and proven leaders with financial support for higher education, short-term training, and practical experience needed to take on conservation

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challenges in their home countries and regions.  
EFN supports promising conservationists through a number of programs. Browse to:  
EFN Short-term Training Grants for nondegree training (short courses, trainings or workshops)  
EFN Scholarships for diploma-level study at preselected institutions (diploma or BA/BS)  
EFN Alumni Program for ongoing support of former EFN grantees  
EFN Small Grants for Park Guard  
In addition, and this thanks to a generous grant from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, Education for Nature is offering Russell E. Train Fellowships for individuals from Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru. A limited number of fellowships are also offered in French Guiana, Guyana, and Suriname. Fellowships cover the cost of tuition, books, round-trip airfare to the academic institution, housing and meals, and research expenses. Train Fellows receive support for up to two years.

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Young Women Conservation Biologists(YWCB) - <http://www.conbio.org/sections/africa/ywcb/>

Award for professional African women: for the advancement of conservation biology in Africa

The YWCB has introduced a **non-monetary award** on a nomination basis, aimed at recognising the contributions of early to mid-career African women in conservation. The nominee should have demonstrated:

- 1.Evidence of leadership, creativity, self-motivation and enthusiasm
2. Evidence of service (educational, managerial, research etc.) to conservation.
3. Ability to work with others across gender, social class and ethnicity.

The Young Women Conservation Biologists' Group invites members of the conservation community who have interest in African conservation to nominate colleagues that meet the criteria for this award. Self nominations are welcome. The nomination form is attached. Submit Nominations to: Alice Hurlbatt, Program Manager, Young Women Conservation Biologists, [alicehurlbatt@wafic.org.au](mailto:alicehurlbatt@wafic.org.au)

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Zoologische Staatssammlung München, (ZSM; The Bavarian State Collection of Zoology) - [http://www.zsm.mwn.de/freunde/wiss\\_preis.htm](http://www.zsm.mwn.de/freunde/wiss_preis.htm)

Hintelmann Scientific Award

For outstanding achievements in zoological systematics, phylogenetics, faunistics or zoogeography the association "Freunde der Zoologischen Staatssammlung München e.V." has the pleasure to announce the R.J.H. Hintelmann Scientific Award. The prize has the value of Euro 5,000.- and its target group are preferably young post-graduate scientists. The award was given annually since the year 2000.  
This prize is awarded not only in appreciation of the previous scientific performance of the applicant, but the prize winner will also be given the opportunity to continue his/her research work in

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coordination with the Zoologische Staatssammlung München (ZSM).  
This may be carried out either by visiting the ZSM or by being  
provided with ZSM materials for work elsewhere.

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