

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Grants-in-Aid of Research Program of the American Society of Mammalogists. Awards are made available by the Board of Directors of the Society in amounts not to exceed \$1500.00 (US) to graduate and upper-level undergraduate students who **are members of the Society at the time of application**. Awards primarily will be for support of field or laboratory work in any area of mammalogy, or for the purchase of supplies and small items of equipment related to such research.

A copy of the application form is attached for your use (it may be copied as needed). Below are detailed instructions for completing the application form and developing your proposal. You **MUST** follow these instructions for your proposal to be evaluated by the Grants-in-Aid Committee. Failure to follow the guidelines will result in the disqualification of your application. Below is a brief list of the rules and guidelines to be followed for submitting a proposal.

- 1) Applicants must be **members of ASM** but can be citizens of foreign countries or can be enrolled in foreign universities.
- 2) Only two awards per career (undergraduate and graduate combined).
- 3) Travel to meetings, salaries, and living expenses will **not** be supported.
- 4) An original proposal and **two** letters of recommendation (one must be from your research advisor) are required. The proposals must consist of an official application form, including a two-page description of the proposed research project. Additionally, the **original plus ten (10) copies** of the proposal and letters are required and must **arrive** in the office of the committee chair no later than **1 March 2004**. Your references should provide you with letters placed in a signed, sealed envelope to be sent in with your application (copies can be in one envelope). It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that applications and letters are sent together as a **single** package and are received in my office **by** the deadline. Incomplete or late applications will not be reviewed.
- 5) If you previously have received a Grant-in-Aid of Research from ASM, please list (on a single, separate page other than the application form), the year, title, amount of award, status of any publications resulting from that award, and a **brief** summary of progress. A copy of this single page should be attached to each copy of your proposal.
- 6) Use either a word processor or typewriter to complete the application forms. Font size should be no less than 12 point (or 13 cpi) and margins at least 0.5 inch. Do not exceed the two-page limit for the description of your proposed research. If necessary, you may include Literature Citations on a separate page; however, the text of the proposal is restricted to two pages.

All applicants will be notified of the status of their proposal by mail by late April. Please be sure to follow the above guidelines and instructions. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,  
Edward J. Heske  
Chair, ASM Grants-in-Aid of Research Committee  
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AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MAMMALOGISTS

GRANTS-IN-AID OF RESEARCH---2004

Name of Applicant:

Department:

Institution:

Mailing address:

E-mail address:

Title of Proposed Project:

Research Advisor:

Additional Reference:

Degree Sought:

Number of Years in pursuit of  
Degree listed:

Year of any Previous ASM  
Grants-in-Aid Award:

Prepare an itemized budget organized into Equipment, Supplies, and Travel categories. Indicate expected source of funds (ASM, Sigma Xi, University, etc.) for each item listed and indicate with an "X" if a commitment has been made for that item.

Estimated Total Cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Requested (\$1500.00 maximum) from ASM US\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Are you also applying for a Latin American Student Grant from ASM? \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No

Signature of Applicant:

Date:

## Description of Proposed Research (2-page limit)

Provide a description of your proposed research project. Organize the description under the following headings: Title, Introduction, Methods, Significance, Preliminary Results (if applicable), and Literature Cited. This description is limited to 2 single-spaced pages with at least 0.5-inch margins. The Literature Cited section is exempt from this limitation but all other material must fit on the 2 pages.

## Description of Proposed Research (cont.)