Australian Wildlife Society
University Research Grants

The Australian Wildlife Society University Research Grants are scholarships offered to honour or postgraduate students at Australian universities. Each year, ten $3,000 grants are awarded. **Applicants must be a member of the Society;** student membership is free, and you can join through our website www.aws.org.au. Please send a copy of your student ID to accounts@aws.org.au

Grants are available for research projects of direct relevance to the conservation of Australian wildlife – flora or fauna. Grants may be used to purchase equipment and consumables, travel expenses related to field research, or attend a conference where you present your work. **The grant is paid directly to the student.**

PREPARING YOUR APPLICATION FOR A GRANT

Applications should be a maximum of four pages (12-point font), including a brief CV and should be set out under the headings below (a reference list is not required).

APPLICATIONS EXCEEDING FOUR PAGES WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

Introduction: Briefly introduce the background to your research topic, specify the project's aims, and outline its importance to wildlife conservation.

Methods: Briefly outline your proposed methodology. We require only sufficient detail to demonstrate that your aims are achievable. Remember that the assessors may not be familiar with your field of research. You must also indicate that you have obtained (or at least applied for) any relevant research licences, permits or approvals (including animal ethics).

Schedule: Outline a proposed timeframe for completing your project, listing significant milestones, including submitting a final report/article to the Australian Wildlife Society.

Budget: Itemise the expenses involved in conducting your research. Any funds already secured from other sources must also be declared. (This will not reduce your chances of success, provided your budget has necessary items that are not yet funded).

Brief CV: The final page of your application should consist of a short CV demonstrating your ability to produce high standard results within a limited timeframe. Also include the details of two referees who can comment on the proposed project, one of whom should be your academic supervisor.

Please include your name, school, university, and project title. Please prepare your application as a single Word document and submit it as an email attachment to info@aws.org.au. Please name your file: 'Your Name AWS Grant Year', e.g., 'John Smith AWS Grant 2023'.

CLOSING DATE: APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY 31 MAY EACH YEAR

APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY EMAIL IN JULY

CONDITIONS OF SPONSORSHIP

Recipients of Australian Wildlife Society grants will be requested to acknowledge the Society's contribution in all publications and presentations arising from their project. In addition, recipients will be required to submit a final report/article on their project for inclusion in the Society's magazine *Australian Wildlife.*