



## Traditional Graduate Student Scholarship Guidelines

The St. Louis Audubon Society (SLAS) is proud of our tradition of financial support to individual graduate student research. The mission statement for the National Audubon Society is: "To conserve and restore natural ecosystems, focusing on birds, other wildlife and their habitats, for the benefit of humanity and the world's biological diversity." By offering this financial aid, the SLAS wishes to further this mission as well as encourage research in the natural sciences, and promote conservation of wildlife and natural beauty.

This scholarship is offered to a student enrolled in a graduate program (M.S. or Ph.D.) at a university in the greater St. Louis area. Preference will be given to proposals seeking partial or full support for research on tropical or temperate bird populations, bird ecology, bird migration or conservation of birds and their habitat. Consideration may also be given to research proposals in other fields of wildlife ecology and biodiversity conservation. Proposals will be evaluated on their scientific merit and probability of success. The value of the scholarship will not exceed \$2500.

Completed proposals, in duplicate, are due by 5:00 pm on February 1 and should be sent to:

Audubon Awards Committee  
c/o Lynne Breakstone  
7220 Princeton  
St. Louis, MO 63130

Proposals (no more than five pages) should include:

- 1) the study objectives
- 2) project description
- 3) significance of the project
- 4) a clearly justified budget
- 5) a two-page curriculum vitae (not included in 5 page maximum)
- 6) two letters of recommendation (not included in 5 page maximum) from current or former faculty, of which one should specify that you are a bona fide student currently registered for a M.A., M.S., or Ph.D. degree, and that your expenses are not already covered by existing funds.

The recipient will be chosen in February each year, and it is hoped that he/she will be able to attend the SLAS Annual Dinner in March or April, at which time the scholarship announcement will be made.

Please pass this information along to interested and potentially qualified students. I thank you very much for your assistance. Questions, please contact Lynne direct at (314) 726-4772.