

EAZWW Student Grants – Point System



Only people that qualify for EAZWW Student Membership may apply for the membership grant, and only EAZWW Student Members may apply for the other grants. One member of the Student Section Board will receive all applications and anonymise them, and the other three members will judge and decide on the successful applicants. For the JZWM Article Submission Grant applications, a member of the Education Working Group will also be judging.

Depending on the applications we receive, we may decide to award ½ of the grant values, thus benefitting more applicants.

The goals of the Student Grants are to help postgraduate students for whom the increase in membership cost would make it prohibitive to still be an EAZWW member and to allow European students that are truly dedicated to zoological medicine, but possess no or very low income, to still take advantage of the EAZWW membership benefits, especially if these students live in European countries with comparatively less monetary means.

If at the end of the Application Round there are no suitable applications that fulfil the goal of the Student Grants, then no Grants will be awarded and the funds will be returned to EAZWW.

Questions relevant for all Grant Categories

| Question | Possible Answers | Points |
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| What is the candidate's monthly income from all of his/her sources of funding? | 0 – 300€ | 6 |
| | 300 – 600€ | 4 |
| | 600 – 900€ | 2 |
| | 900 – 1200€ | 1 |
| | >1200€ | 0 |
| What is the candidate's level of interest and involvement in zoological medicine? (as judged by his CV) | Very High | 5 |
| | Considerably High | 3 |
| | Average | 1 |
| | Low | 0 |
| Is the candidate an undergraduate or postgraduate student? ¹ | Postgraduate | 3 |
| | Undergraduate | 0 |
| Has the candidate received a previous EAZWW grant? ² | No | 2 |
| | Yes | 0 |
| What is the candidate's country of origin? ³ | 3 | 3 |
| | 2 | 2 |
| | 1 | 0 |
| Which country is the candidate studying in? ³ | 3 | 3 |
| | 2 | 2 |
| | 1 | 0 |
| If the candidate's awarded half of the grant value, does he/she still intend to...? (become a member/come to the event/submit an article) | Yes | No points, just for our knowledge |
| | No | |

Comments:

1 – Since the funds come from postgraduate students and these are more likely to continue working and contributing to the field, we think they should get some priority for the grant, as they might take better advantage of these opportunities.

2 – We would like to give these opportunities to as many different people as possible, especially if they have never been able to be members/attend events. We believe this would allow EAZWW's work to become more widely known by more interested people, and since we are prioritizing postgraduate students, we would hope that their financial means improve with time and they no longer need the grants to stay members/attend events.

3 – We are considering both country of origin and where the student is studying to account for students coming from richer countries but studying in poorer countries or the other way around, therefore being a better indicator of the student's individual economic power. The scale is based on Europe's GDP per capita (source IMF - <http://www.imf.org/external/datamapper/NGDPDPC@WEO/OEMDC/ADVEC/WEOWORLD>):

1 - 35.000 or more: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, UK.

2 - 10.000 – 35.000: Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Turkey.

3 - 500 – 10.000: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Georgia, Kosovo, Moldova, Montenegro, Macedonia, Serbia, Ukraine.

Questions relevant only for some Grants

| Question | Grant | Possible Answers | Points |
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| For how long has the candidate been an EAZWW member? | Conference, Workshops, Journal | More than 3 | 2 |
| | | Between 1 and 3 | 1 |
| | | Less than 1 | 0 |
| What is the distance between the candidate and the event in question? (by plane) | Workshops | More than 3 hours | 2 |
| | | Between 1 and 3 hours | 1 |
| | | Less than 1 hour | 0 |
| Has the candidate submitted his/her work to present at the conference? (oral presentation or poster) | Conference | Yes | 3 |
| | | No | 0 |
| Is the study relevant to the EAZWW's scientific community? (As assessed by a short summary of the study, focusing on what it intended to answer) | Journal | High relevance | 4 |
| | | Medium relevance | 2 |
| | | Low relevance | 0 |
| Has the candidate tried to get other sources of funding (e.g. from the institution where the study was conducted)? | Journal | Yes | 2 |
| | | No | 0 |
| Further comments in favour of the application | All | Free writing | No points |