

**Entomological Society of America
Systematics, Evolution, and Biodiversity (SysEB) Section**

Student Travel Award Program

Call for proposals

Due: April 15, 2011

The Systematics, Evolution, and Biodiversity (SysEB) section leadership invites SysEB undergraduate and graduate students to submit applications for the SysEB Student Travel Award Program. Travel Awards provide funding for student fieldwork and/or research travel to other institutions in order to enhance SysEB student research.

Funding for awards is limited. Proposals will be competitively judged based on a consideration of the following factors: a) benefit of the proposed travel to the student's research; b) scientific justification; and c) demonstration of funding need.

SysEB Student Travel Award Program Details:

1. **Eligibility:** current undergraduate or graduate students only; must be members in good standing of the Systematics, Evolution, and Biodiversity (SysEB) section of the Entomological Society of America (ESA); eligible applicants may receive one SysEB Student Travel Award (STA) only (i.e., previous Award recipients are not eligible to apply for additional Awards).
2. **Allowed Travel Requests:** Proposals will be considered for costs associated with domestic and/or international travel to conduct research (including fieldwork, offsite labwork, and research visits to Museum collections); the section SysEB STA Program will provide award recipients with travel funding only (all official/legal permissions and/or permits for the travel are the responsibility of the student).
3. **Awards:** Typical award amounts are approximately \$1000-\$1500. Payment of the award will occur upon completion of travel. Students must provide evidence of travel (copy of boarding pass, hotel receipts, etc.) and copies of collecting and export permits (if applicable). Travel must be completed within a year of the award date.
4. **Applications:** Include (in single spaced 12 point Times, 1 inch margins):
 - A. 1 page description of the purpose of the proposed travel, including explanation of how the proposed travel will enhance your research
 - B. 1 page detailed budget, including explanation of why funding is needed
 - C. Literature references, if applicable
 - D. a short statement (a paragraph) from your Major Professor (or advisor) that indicates your student status and how well the proposed travel is integrated with your research.

- E.* Statement of confirmation that all relevant collecting, research, and/or export permits are current or obtainable for the proposed travel

Please email applications to Dr. Jason Cryan, 2011 SysEB President (jcryan@mail.nysed.gov) on or before **April 15, 2011**. Successful applicants will be notified by **May 15, 2011**.