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STUDENT AWARDS COVER PAGE

Students and recent graduates (*degree conferred after 1 July 2016*) who plan on submitting an abstract for consideration to the Scientific Program Committee will **not** automatically be considered for an award; **instead they must submit a separate application to be considered from one of the participating societies. Students must complete the form below in order for the Student Awards' Committee to be able to organize and rank all awards, including presentation awards.** Each society will give awards following their own guidelines, so it is important that students follow the instructions carefully. Students applying for **travel awards** from the Sociedade Brasileira de Ornitologia should be enrolled in a Brazilian institution and be members of the Brazilian Ornithological Society. Students applying for **registration awards** from Aves Argentinas should only be from Argentina and be members of Aves Argentinas. Students applying for **travel awards** from Association of Field Ornithologists can be of any nationality but should be members of AFO at the time of abstract submission. **If you are a student applying for a travel/registration award from any one of the three participating societies you need to submit an expanded abstract in addition to the regular abstract.**

Name of applicant:

E-mail address:

Institution and address:

Mailing address:

Presentation title:

Enter the title of your oral or poster presentation (the title must match the one submitted to the Scientific Program Committee for inclusion in the scientific program).

Authors:

Enter the authors of your presentation. **Presenting author (i.e., the individual applying for awards) must be listed first.** The sequence must match the sequence submitted separately to the Scientific Program Committee for inclusion in the scientific program.



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Subject Area: Please choose *two* of the following key words that best describes the subject area of your presentation:

behavior
biogeography
breeding biology
brood parasitism
climate
community ecology
conservation
diseases and parasites
ecological models and survey methods
ecotoxicology and pollution evolution
foraging
general ecology
habitat relationships
landscape ecology
life histories
mating systems
migration and stopover biology

molecular ecology
movements and dispersal
non-breeding ecology
parental care
phylogenetics and evolution
phylogeography
physiology, hormones, and immunology
population biology
sexual selection
social behavior
song and vocalizations
systematics, taxonomy, and morphology
tropical ecology
urban and agricultural ecology
use of technology

other:

Society membership: Each applicant must be an active member (dues paid for 2017) of at least one of the organizations participating in the Ornithological Congress of the Americas. Please check boxes below as appropriate.

Association of Field Ornithologists (AFO)

Aves Argentinas (AA)

Sociedade Brasileira de Ornitologia (SBO)



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Applicant status:

Current undergraduate

Recent undergraduate (degree conferred after 1 July 2016)

Current Masters student

Recent Masters (degree conferred after 1 July 2016)

Current PhD student

Recent PhD (degree conferred after 1 July 2016)

Presentation to be based on:

Work completed as undergraduate student

Work completed as Masters student

Work completed as Doctoral student

Work completed after graduation

Are you willing to be considered for a student presentation award? Yes No

For which society are you asking to be considered for a registration/travel award? (Check only one box) AFO AA SBO



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Please append to this cover sheet the following:

1. Expanded abstract: The expanded abstract must be written in English, *and* Spanish or Portuguese, and be no more than 2 pages of double-spaced text and 12 point or larger font size. The expanded abstract should state objectives, methods, major results, and scientific significance.
2. Travel budget: For SBO, include only travel expenses (airfare, bus tickets, fuel, etc.). For AFO, budgets should include separate costs for transportation, up to 4 nights hotel stay (max \$75/night; shared room, if possible), \$80 student registration, but no food costs. AA will cover registration only.
3. A one-page curriculum vitae (single-spaced, 12-point font).
4. A statement from your academic advisor indicating that you are in good academic standing or proof of studentship from your University (student applicants only). For graduated students you need to add a scanned copy of your degree with the date of conferral.
5. Letter of interest (no more than 2 pages of double-spaced text and 12 point or larger font size) covering the following topics:
 - Describe your future plans after graduation or master's/PhD thesis defense;
 - Justify your interest in participating in the conference;
 - List the last conferences/scientific meetings in which you participated with an oral presentation/poster
 - Describe the most important lessons you have learned in these conferences and how participating contributed in developing your career;
 - Inform if you have other funds secured for other expenses involved in attending the congress

Please remember: All students and recently graduated students applying for these awards need to send this information, as well as the regular abstract (in English, and Spanish or Portuguese) which you submit through the online registration system.



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Submission: Assemble these materials, including the cover sheet, as a single .pdf file. Please name the file with last name and the initials of applicant, e.g., “FernandezAR.pdf”. Email application to 2017iguazu@googlegroups.com by 15 May 2017. In the subject of your email you should specify STUDENT TRAVEL AWARD and your last name.
***Please direct any questions about Travel Awards to 2017iguazu@googlegroups.com.*
In the subject of your email you should specify STUDENT TRAVEL AWARD**

We strongly recommend for all students enrolled in a Brazilian Institution to check also the guidelines and instructions of the SBO Travel Award at the website of the Sociedade Brasileira de Ornitologia – SBO (<http://www.ararajuba.org.br>).