

2017 Society for Economic Botany Meeting Student, Post-doc and Least Developed Country Member Travel Awards

We are excited to announce that we will be able to provide four travel grants to attend the [58th Annual Meeting of the Society for Economic Botany](#)! These merit-based awards will be made in the amount of \$800 to be used towards transportation and lodging. Awardees will also receive complimentary registration to the meeting.

Eligibility

Applicants must meet both of the following criteria to be eligible for the travel grant:

- Be registered as a current member of the Society for Economic Botany; and
- Be currently enrolled in a graduate program (Masters or Doctoral students are eligible) or be currently employed as a Post-doctoral fellow or be registered as a member from a least developed country ([full list by UN](#)). Note that your letter of support from your primary mentor must verify this current status.

Application Process

Applicants must assemble the following pieces of information, and submit all as a merged (single file) PDF document in the following order:

1. **Conference Abstract.** Follow the [SEB abstract guidelines](#) for formatting. Abstracts must also be submitted through the [web portal](#);
2. **Curriculum Vitae.** Be sure to include a list of publications. Publications that have been submitted and which are currently in review may also be included. Publications “in-progress” should NOT be included on the CV;
3. **Statement of Interest.** The statement of interest should be no longer than 1 single page. Applicants should address the following in their statement: 1) How your research is relevant to members of the Society for Economic Botany; 2) How attendance at this particular meeting is important to your career development; 3) How have you been involved in the SEB until now and how to you plan to be involved in the future? ; and
4. **Letter of Support.** Your letter of support should come from your primary mentor/advisor or Department Chair. Letters must also confirm your current status as either an enrolled student or employment as a post-doctoral fellow or member from a least developed country.

Applications are due by **March 15th** at midnight (EST). Applications should be submitted by e-mail as a single PDF file attachment in the above listed order to Dr. Nanci Ross: nanci.ross@drake.edu . Please write “SEB travel grant” in the email subject header. Save your PDF file as “LAST NAME_FIRST NAME”. Confirmation for receipt of the application will follow by email. Note that you are also required to submit an abstract via the [web portal](#) by March 8th.

Applications that do not meet the above described format *or* that are submitted in multiple file attachments *will not be considered for review*. Likewise, any late applications *will not be considered for review*.

The Travel Grant Awards committee will notify the award recipients by **April 1st**. Note that funds will be disbursed to awardees at the final banquet of the SEB meeting.

Expectations

Award recipients are expected to present their research (poster or oral presentation) at the conference. They are also expected to write a brief account of their experience at the meeting for the SEB newsletter.