



SPNHC

ADVANCING COLLECTIONS CARE

APPLICATION FOR FITZGERALD TRAVEL GRANTS 2018

Application Deadline: March 12, 2018, Close of Business (COB) Your Local Time

The Society for the Preservation of Natural History Collections (SPNHC) is offering grants starting at \$750 for travel expenses associated with attendance at the SPNHC Annual Meeting. Participants are required to make all their own travel arrangements, including application and requests for visas, if required. Applicants must be members of the Society or apply for membership before the application will be accepted. While any SPNHC member may apply, preference will be given to students (undergraduate or graduate) and emerging professionals in fields related to the management and preservation/conservation of natural history collections. Applicants from the institution(s) hosting the meeting are not eligible. Awardees are required to make either an oral or poster presentation at the meeting and to be first author on the presentation. Receipt of the grant is contingent on the acceptance of the applicant's abstract by the local organizing committee. A letter of support from the applicant's advisor, supervisor, or professional mentor should be submitted to Elise V. LeCompte, Chair, SPNHC Travel Grant Program Committee, together with this application and a copy of the abstract for the paper/poster the applicant intends to present. (See below for instructions for submission.)

Name			
Institution			
Address			
City			
State/Province			
Zip Code			
Country			
Country of Residence			
Email address(es)			
Anticipated travel dates			
Are you receiving any additional funds to attend this meeting?	Y	N	
Are you a current member of SPNHC?	Y	N	

Respond to each of the four questions below, limiting your response to 400 words total.

1. Give a brief description of your Museum. (Students - Describe your course of studies.)
2. Give a brief description of your current museum position, duties, and number of years in the museum profession. (Students - State your goals in the museum profession.)
3. How will your attendance at the SPNHC annual meeting strengthen your career as well as your work at your museum? (Students - How will your attendance strengthen your future career? How will it help you meet your goals in the museum profession?)
4. I am in need of financial assistance because...

Please provide an estimate of anticipated expenses (in US\$):

Transportation (air fare, train fare, ground transportation)	\$
Lodging	\$
Meals	\$
Additional expenses (list individually)	\$
Total	\$

Please submit your application and a copy of your abstract to Elise V. LeCompte, Chair, SPNHC Travel Grant Program Committee. Electronic submission is preferred, but hard copies will be accepted at the address below:

Elise V. LeCompte
 Chair, SPNHC Travel Grant Program Committee
 Email: lecompte@flmnh.ufl.edu
 Smail Mail: Florida Museum of Natural History
 P.O. Box 117800 (or 1659 Museum Rd.)

Gainesville, FL 32611-7800

(If submitted by mail, please provide three [3] hard copies.)

Checklist:

- ✓ Completed application form
- ✓ Letter of support/recommendation
- ✓ Copy of paper/poster abstract. (NOTE: Submit your original abstract to the SPNHC 2018 Local Organizing Committee, spnhc.tdwg2018@otagomuseum.nz Guidelines for preparation and restrictions on abstract word and/or character length, are also available at <http://spnhc-tdwg2018.nz/>.)
- ✓ Meeting registration completed
- ✓ Enrolled as current member in SPNHC (<http://www.spnhc.org/13/become-a-member>)