

Echo Travel Award Eligibility Details

Eligibility

- All students still within their IWWR supported programs and those that have graduated from those programs within three years (36 months) of the application deadline
- Must give an oral presentation
- Can highlight results of supported or new research of relevance to DUC
- Conference must occur by December 31st in the calendar year after the award deadline.
- Cannot have previously won the Echo Award
- Cannot be an IWWR employee

You can apply before being accepted to a conference. However, release of funds will be contingent upon proof of acceptance and submission of final abstract.

Application Process

- Please submit the following information in no more than 2 pages:
 - Name, anticipated or actual graduation date (or time since graduation), and employment status
 - Anticipated conference name, date, and website.
 - Statement of conference relevance to:
 - Advancing your career aspirations
 - DUC's science-based conservation
 - Presentation abstract- this may be draft if you have not yet submitted
 - CV (not included in page count)
 - Letter from supervisor confirming anticipated graduation date if not yet graduated (not included in page count and not required if already graduated)

Selection Criteria

- Decisions will be made by DUC staff based on the following criteria:
 - Relevance of conference to applicant's career aspirations and to DUC
 - Quality of abstract, e.g. clarity, scientific merit, management implications
 - Achievements of applicant, given the current stage of their career
- Preference will be given to those within one year of graduation or three years post-graduation at the application deadline.

Reporting Requirements

- Submit proof of attendance. Failure to attend will require discussion with DUC with respect to reasons and return of funds
- A brief write up of benefits obtained from attending, suitable for sharing with donors