

The alumni network for the Russell E. Train Education for Nature

Program (EFN) includes over 2,100 individuals working on critical conservation topics throughout Asia, Africa, and Latin America. EFN is committed to ensuring that alumni continue to advance in their careers and be active voices for conservation. As part of that commitment, EFN offers funding to continue to support the ongoing work and learning opportunities of our alumni.

Alumni Grants support ongoing education, training, and research opportunities for former Russell E. Train Fellows, Russell E. Train Scholars, and Professional Development Grant recipients who have completed the terms of their grant contract and meet all of the eligibility criteria necessary to be considered for a grant. Alumni may request funding for opportunities including short courses, certifications, technical training, conferences, costs for publication submission, or research funding.

90+

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LEAST 90 DAYS AFTER THE
APPLICATION DEADLINE.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Applicants must meet all of the following eligibility criteria to be considered for a grant.

- You must be a former Russell E. Train Fellow, Russell E. Train Scholar, or Professional Development Grant recipient.
- You must have successfully completed the training or degree program for which you received your EFN grant.
- You must have submitted all reports required by your grant contract.
- You must have worked in conservation in your home country for at least two years since completing your EFN-funded training or degree.
- You must currently be working or conducting research in conservation in your home country.

- You must have a bank account in your own name that can receive US dollars and international wire transfers.
- You must not have received a grant from EFN in the past three years.
- You must not have received more than four grants from EFN.
- The proposed training must take place at least 90 days after the application deadline.
- Your proposed training must not lead to an academic degree.
- You must submit all required documents by the application deadline.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

All applicants must complete an application by one of the four deadlines below. The proposed training must take place at least 90 days after the application deadline to allow EFN time for review, selection, and processing of the grant.

Applications will be reviewed 4 times a year on:

February 1

May 1

August 1

November 1

APPLICANTS MAY REQUEST UP TO

\$2,000

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please e-mail EFN at efn@wwfus.org or visit the WWF-US website for more information.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Individuals may submit an online application at any time. Applicants may request up to US\$ 2,000. Completed applications will be reviewed on the dates noted above, and applicants will be notified of the results within a month after the application deadline.

Applicants can access the online application at **www.worldwildlife.org/efn**. Applicants may apply in English, Spanish, French, or Portuguese.

Employer Approval Form

EFN requires employer approval for all Alumni Grant applicants, so applications will be considered incomplete until after the form is uploaded. The process for submitting the employer approval form is below. Please check the EFN website for a template.

- Applicants will put the email address of their supervisor in their application.
- Once the applicant submits their completed application, their supervisor will receive an automatic email requesting an employer approval document to be uploaded. This document's responses will be used during the review process.
- Employers will then need to save the completed document and click the upload link in the email they received.