



Global Amphibian and Reptile Disease (GARD) Conference
(held in conjunction with the 10th World Congress of Herpetology)

Call for Travel Grant Applications

Travel grants are available to facilitate participation in the 2024 GARD Conference. At least fourteen (14) \$1500 USD grants and eight (8) \$500 USD grants will be available for GARD24 participants. Two additional \$1500 travel grants and two \$500 grants will be awarded by the Global Ranavirus Consortium (GRC) to participants whose presentations will focus on ranaviruses. Only applicants who intend to present (oral or poster) on amphibian or reptile diseases will be considered for these awards.

The purpose of these travel grants is to encourage diverse participation in the 2024 GARD Conference, especially by those with limited financial resources. These awards primarily target early career researchers (students, early career professionals). Special consideration in awarding grants will be taken to maximize diversity of attendees based on geographic location, ethnicity, gender identity, stage of career development (student, early career professional), and financial need.

Award Eligibility

- Present oral or poster at the GARD Conference, which is occurring at WCH10.
- Preference will be given to applicants who best fit the above diversity, equity and inclusion criteria and have the greatest financial need.

Application Requirements

- Submit Google Form (link below) by **15 January 2024**.
 - Applicants will need to provide an itemization of estimated travel cost and outline any existing non-GARD support.
 - Applicants will need to upload a document expressing the value of the proposed travel to their professional development and outlining their financial need (up to a 500-word document preferably in PDF format).
 - Upload a submitted or draft presentation abstract (PDF format).
 - Upload a resume or curriculum vitae (PDF format).
- Google Form link: <http://tiny.utk.edu/GARD24Travel>
- If you are unable to use Google (due to country restrictions), you can email application materials to mgray11@utk.edu before the deadline. If using Google is an option, please do not email your application.