Michael Cichan Paleobotanical Research Grant

Deadline: March 15 (annually)

The purpose of this grant is to provide funds for those who have completed a PhD and are currently in a post-doctoral position or a non-tenure track position. Funds are to be used to support research activities for the awardee. Funds up to $2500 may be awarded.

Submission Materials:
1. Abstract (300 words)
2. Narrative - must include: a description of the research, including appropriate conceptual background, purpose or objective, brief outline of methodology, and potential contribution or significance to paleobotany. Not to exceed two single spaced pages.
3. Budget detailing how the funds would be used (one page). Include any other available funds, and if budget exceeds amount of this award, where additional funds will come from.
4. Literature Cited (one page)
5. Current CV
6. One letter of support (emailed separately to the Paleobotanical Section Secretary)

Review Process:
1. The Section chair will form a committee to review all submitted grants each year and determine awardee(s).
2. Committee members should represent various research foci and geologic time periods.
3. The award will be based on merit and feasibility of the project.
4. The winner will be announced at the Paleobotanical Banquet.

Eligibility:
1. Must be an active member of the Botanical Society of America: Paleobotanical Section.
   - Must have been a member for at least two years prior to the proposal submission.
2. Must be a post-doctoral researcher or have a non-tenure track (e.g., lecturer, adjunct, collections manager, research scientist) position.
3. Must be active in research as evidenced by conference presentations (oral or poster) and paper submissions (accepted and rejected).
4. Have not been awarded this in the past three years with priority given to those who haven’t received the award in the past

Conditions of award:
1. Awardees must submit a written progress report to the Section Secretary no later than 2 years after receiving award. This report will be published in the Paleobotanical Section newsletter.
2. Awardees are requested to present their research at BSA within 4 years of receiving the award.
3. Acknowledgement of the Paleobotanical Section, Botanical Society of America should be given in all presentations and publications relating from the work supported by this award.