

Vonow Conservation Biology Grant 2024

This grant is jointly sponsored by the **Biology Society of South Australia (BSSA)** and the **Nature Conservation Society of South Australia (NCSSA)**. The grant aims to assist Honours and postgraduate student research into aspects of conservation biology in South Australia

Closing date: Sunday 5th May 2024

Grants will be awarded up to the value of **\$3,300 per successful applicant**, for research aimed at:

- Improving understanding of the conservation status of species or ecological communities.
- Providing recommendations for improvement of some aspect of biodiversity or conservation.
- Understanding the ecology of species or communities, and
- Understanding threats to biodiversity and management of those threats.







Read carefully before submitting your application

- Applicants are asked to lodge their application by email by the due date.
- Funding is available to support travel for the purposes of field-work or research, equipment purchase or hire, purchase of materials or promotion of research results. Preference will be given to projects that have a field research component. Overheads, salaries, bursaries and conference travel will not be funded
- Applicants can apply for up to \$3,300. However, applications for smaller amounts will be regarded favorably. We reserve the right to partially fund a project.
- Applicants should apply for funds for projects or part-projects with a maximum of 12 months duration and should be submitted using only the form provided. Supporting material will be requested if necessary.
- All Applicants are required to be financial members of BSSA. Membership dues (\$10 p.a.) will be accepted with grant applications, or paid separately to BSSA (see website for membership details www.biologysocietysa.com). Applicants who apply but are not members by the due date will not have their applications accepted. Membership to the NCSSA will be provided for free the first year (\$40 p.a.), and you will have the opportunity to continue in a paid capacity in future years.
- Funding is only available to research students undertaking studies at Honours Degree, Graduate Diploma, Masters Degree or PhD level at accredited Universities. Funding for Undergraduate projects will only be available in exceptional circumstances.
- All research must abide by the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972, the Native Vegetation Act 1991, the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 and any other relevant Acts or Regulations.
- Researchers must obtain all necessary permits and approvals for conducting their research.



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- The NCSSA will administer the grants and successful applicants are required to remain in contact with the NCSSA until the conditions of the grant are fulfilled.
- Successful applicants are required to: * submit a non-technical article (1 page) on their research for publication in the BSSA members Newsletter and NCSSA publications in written and electronic media within 12 months of receipt of the grant. * make a 10-15 minute presentation of their research at the mid 2025 BSSA & NCSSA Grant Recipient Meeting.
- All recipients must enter into an agreement outlining the conditions of the grant, to be provided by the NCSSA.
- A copy of the final report and/or the agreed end product of the research must be forwarded to the BSSA and NCSSA, upon completion of the project.

Applications should be directed to:

<u>Attention</u>: Kirsty Bevan, Chief Executive Officer <u>SUBJECT</u>: VONOW Conservation Biology Grant

EMAIL: <u>NCSSA@ncssa.asn.au</u> cc <u>biolsocsa@gmail.com</u>

Phone: (08) 7127 4630 Nature Conservation Society of South Australia 5 Milner Street HINDMARSH SA 5007

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1. PROJECT TITLE

2. APPLICANT(S) DETAILS:

Name:
Institution:
Level of award for which research is being undertaken:
Current Level of Qualification:
Year of enrolment:

Mobile #	• • • •
Email:	••••

Signed (Applicant):

3. UNIVERSITY / SUPERVISOR(S) DETAILS:

Institution/Department: ABN	GST Registered: yes no
Supervisor 1 Name: Date:	
Supervisor 2 Name: Date:	
Contact Email for invoicing if differen	at to above:

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Name:	
Date:	



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. PROJECT LOCATION	(attach a m	hap reference if	necessary)
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5. FUNDING

Total amount sought from VCB Grant: \$	
Total value of contributions from other sources, if any: \$	••••

List other sources, including the value of each donated resource:

PURPOSE FOR WHICH FUNDS ARE SOUGHT (Include costs for equipment, materials, travel, accommodation etc. Vehicle costs to be computed at current Australian Taxation Office rates. Prices include GST)

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Total \$:



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6. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

6.1 Project Summary (max 100 words)

Date of commencement: Date of completion:

6.2 Aims and Objectives (100 words)

6.2 Methodology and/or relevance to other research (100 words)

6.2 Outline of how this money would help answer specific questions in your project (100 words)



6.3 Benefits of the project to biodiversity conservation in South Australia (100 words)

6.4 References to previously published work related to your project (100 words)

6.5 Names and contact details for two referees or project partners.

7. **AUTHORISATION** - (to be completed by the Department Head or Chief Executive Officer): The organisation applying fully supports this application. If a Grant is awarded, work will be undertaken pursuant to grant conditions.