Jack Millar Field Course Travel Award

Field courses are an irreplaceable learning experience for Biology students. Unfortunately they are also quite expensive to run, and the fees can put them out of reach for many students. As the first UWO coordinator for OUPFB, Professor John (Jack) Millar recognized this fact and established a bursary fund to help offset the costs for students in financial need. For many years Jack was the primary donor to this fund, but in 2015 a group of his former students made a generous donation to honour Jack’s retirement, thus establishing the Jack Millar Field Course Travel Award.

The Award provides up to $500 for students registered in any OUPFB course offered within 500km of UWO. Students must meet the following criteria:

1) Full time UWO student
2) Qualify for UWO work/study or OSAP grant (not loan).
3) Must add the course (either Bio 3220, Bio 4257 or Bio 4258), during the relevant academic term. Must take the course for credit (i.e. NOT audit). If the student drops the course all money must be returned to the fund.

If more eligible students apply than can be accommodated, selection will be based on these additional criteria (in order):

I. Students taking their first field course.
II. Students registered in a program module towards which the field course would qualify.
III. Academic record.

Application Procedures:

Before the end of the spring term send an e-mail to the UWO coordinator for the OUPFB, Dr. Jim Staples with the following information:

1. Confirmation of registration in an OUPFB module within 500km of UWO (e.g. an e-mail from the course coordinator).
2. Confirmation that you qualify for UWO work/study (a copy of the confirmation e-mail will suffice).