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### Apply for a BCI Scholarship

Bat Conservation International has awarded 334 Student Research Scholarships since 1990 to support bat studies in 62 countries around the world. In addition to adding to scientific knowledge of bats, these scholarships help prepare new generations of scientists to take bat conservation into the future.



*A bat that's prepared for weighing as part of Scholarship research. Photo by Jennifer Krauel*

We are now accepting applications for 2013 BCI Scholarships. The deadline for completing online applications is December 15, 2012.

Students enrolled in degree-granting programs at colleges and universities in any nation are eligible to apply for scholarships of up to \$5,000 each for the 2013-14 academic year. BCI Scholarships are available to support research that is directly relevant to the conservation of bats and their habitats.

Qualified research should address at least one of these issues: answering ecological or behavioral questions that are essential to conservation or management; resolving an economic problem that will improve support for conservation; or documenting key ecological or economic roles of bats.

These scholarships are competitive, and qualified applications will be judged by a panel of non-BCI bat experts. Awards are announced in the spring.

Applications must be completed online at BCI's website ([www.batcon.org/scholarships](http://www.batcon.org/scholarships)).

U.S. Forest Service International Programs has been an invaluable partner since 2005, providing direct support for approximately 10 Bats in International Forestry scholarships per year to support bat research in developing countries.

BCI awarded 24 scholarships for projects in 16 countries for the current academic year.

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