

**American Society of Mammalogists
Latin American Fellowship Fund**

Oliver P. Pearson Award

This award honors Oliver P. Pearson's remarkable six decades of work in Latin America and his continual, steadfast support for Latin American mammalogists of all ages and degrees of professional development. The award offers financial support to young professional mammalogists who hold academic or curatorial positions in Latin America, to help them establish or consolidate their research programs. A single award in the sum of \$5,000 will be given each year. The funds may be used to carry out field work, purchase supplies or specialized equipment, attend scientific meetings, visit collections or other academic institutions, and other research-related activities.

Applicants may be of any nationality. At the time of application, he or she must have the following qualifications:

- 1) a Ph.D. or equivalent terminal degree conferred within the previous 5 years.
- 2) an academic (post-doctoral, teaching, curatorial, or other comparable research-oriented) position in a Latin American institution.
- 3) membership in the American Society of Mammalogists.

Applications should be submitted by the posted deadline to the Chair of the Latin American Fellowship Committee and include the following elements:

- 1) A one-page statement that describes
 - a) the nature and responsibilities of his or her academic position;
 - b) professional interests and goals for the next few years; and
 - c) detailed justification documenting how and why the award would benefit the applicant's research program.
- 2) A curriculum vitae.
- 3) Copy of one published or accepted research paper.
- 4) Two letters of recommendation from established professionals familiar with the applicant, based either in Latin America or abroad.

Applications will be evaluated by the ASM's Latin American Fellowship Committee, and the top-ranking applicant will be announced at the annual ASM banquet.