

Paul Silva Student Grant for Phycologists

The **Paul Silva Student Grant** supports postgraduate students undertaking research in phycology, including taxonomy, evolution, and ecology.

The grant is named in honour of Paul Silva, a distinguished phycologist and strong advocate for international collaboration. It is awarded twice each year to **eight students per round** (16 students annually). Each award is USD 1,000, and students may receive the grant once per year.

The grant supports:

- Travel to **conferences, meetings, or workshops** where the student is presenting research on algae (including broader meetings in evolution or ecology), and
- Student-led **research projects** on algae, carried out with the support of a supervisor.

There are two application deadlines every year:

- 31 May
- 31 December

To apply for the grant, students must be **members of the International Phycological Society**. IPS student membership currently costs **USD 35 per year** for online-only access. As a member, you receive online access to the Society's journal, *Phycologia*, and **discounted registration** for the International Phycological Congress and are **eligible for grants** such as the Paul Silva Travel grant. Membership also connects students with the global phycological **research community** and opens doors to networking, events, and professional development.

Full details and application instructions are available on the International Phycological Society website:

<https://intphycsociety.org/sys/website/?pageId=18057>

For the current round, the deadline is **31 May 2026**. Applications should be sent to maggioreddy0402@gmail.com with the subject line: "Paul Silva Grant May 26."

Please share this opportunity with your students and colleagues who may be eligible. If you have any questions or need assistance with the application process, feel free to contact me.

All the best,
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