

Welcome to the application process - If you do not complete the application form in one sitting, your progress will be saved and you can return to continue with the same application as long as you use the same computer to access the application. We do however advise that you prepare your answers to the questions in advance so that you can copy and paste them directly in.

Note: Responses for questions 19 - 22 should be limited to the number of specified characters and NOT words

We need this information in order to assess your suitability for a TBA field course.
Our full privacy policy is [here](#)

* 1. Surname/family name

* 2. First name

* 3. Which region are you from?

* 4. Nationality - If you have dual nationality, please choose the one under the passport you will be using

* 5. How would you describe your gender?

* 6. Email address

* 7. Date of birth

	Day	Month	Year
DOB	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

* 8. Mobile phone number including international dialing code (please just enter numbers do not use the + sign)

9. WhatsApp Mobile Phone number (including international dialing code, do not use the + sign)

10. Please write the name of your current University. (if you are not a student please write 'na')

* 11. Undergraduate degree status:

- Currently an undergraduate student
- Completed undergraduate degree
- No undergraduate degree

12. More information about your undergraduate degree:

Degree title:

Awarding University:

Finish year:

Grade awarded/predicted:

* 13. Masters degree status:

- Accepted on a masters degree course due to start in the next year
- Currently studying for a masters degree
- Completed masters degree
- No masters degree

14. More information about your masters degree:

Degree title:

Awarding University:

Finish year:

Grade awarded/predicted:

* 15. PhD degree status:

- Accepted on a PhD degree course due to start in the next year
- Currently studying for a PhD degree
- Completed PhD degree
- No PhD degree

16. More information about your PhD degree:

Degree title:

Awarding University:

Current year of study (1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th):

* 17. Employment status:

- Employed
- Studying
- Internship/volunteer
- Seeking employment or study

18. More information about your employment or internship/volunteer programme:

Job title:

Employer:

Start year:

Main responsibilities:

* 19. Why do you wish to attend a TBA course? (max 2000 characters including spaces)

* 20. What is it about tropical conservation specifically that inspires you? (max 1000 characters including spaces)

* 21. What are your current career plans/aims and how will the TBA course be relevant? (max 500 characters including spaces)

22. Please tell us more about you and why you should participate on this course, giving details of any extra curricular activities that you think are relevant to your application (max 500 characters including spaces):

* 23. We will require your application to be supported by two referee letters. At least one referee should be able to attest to your academic record, and at least one referee should be able to discuss your interest in tropical conservation.

You will need to approach your referees and request them to submit their supporting letters by 21 March 2025.

Please forward them this link to access the [downloadable referee support form](#).

Your referees will need to email their supporting letters to the appropriate office:

for applicants from countries in AFRICA: courses-africa@tropical-biology.org

for applicants from THE REST OF THE WORLD: courses@tropical-biology.org

Could you please enter the details of your two referees below

Referee 1

Name (including title,
e.g., Mrs/Dr/Prof)

Institution

* 24. Please enter their email address

*** 25. Referee 2**

Name (including title,
e.g., Mrs/Dr/Prof)

Institution

* 26. Please enter their email address

For applicants who wish to apply for a partial or full scholarship

Applicants from Africa: The TBA has a limited number of scholarships that will help pay for the Course Fees which includes tuition, accommodation, food and travel within the course dates.

PRIORITY for places will be given to suitably qualified applicants who can raise all or part of their course participation costs (i.e. course fees and/or travel and visa costs). We would strongly encourage you to look for funding from grants, foundations or your organisation, and we will be willing to provide letters of support. Please complete Q27 to Q31 below:

For all other applicants: The British Ecological Society provides grants through TBA for students currently studying at European research institutions to subsidise their attendance on a TBA course. Please complete Q32 and Q33 question below:

27. **For AFRICAN applicants:** If your application is successful, will you require financial support for course fees? (tick one option only)

- No - I or my organisation will pay discounted course fees of **GBP 1200**
- Yes, full scholarship - I don't have any possibility to pay for the course fee
- Yes, Partial scholarship - I, or my organization, am willing to contribute towards the cost of my course fees.

Please indicate below the amount you can contribute in GBP (numbers only, no £ sign)

28. **For AFRICAN applicants:** Are you able to organise and fund your own travel and incidental costs (such as overnight stays, meals, etc., if necessary) to and from Entebbe, Uganda?

- Yes - I can pay for my travel and incidental costs to and from Entebbe
- No - I would like TBA to organise and pay for all my travel and incidental costs to and from Entebbe
- Partial - I or my organisation are willing to contribute towards the cost of my travel and incidental costs to and from Entebbe. Please indicate below how much you could contribute in GBP (numbers only, no £ sign).

29. **For AFRICAN applicants:** Visa and issues relating to entry to Uganda

- I do not need a visa to enter Uganda
- Yes - I or my organisation can organise and pay for my visa to enter Uganda
- No - I would like TBA to pay for my visa to enter Uganda
- Other (please specify)

30. **For AFRICAN applicants:** Please describe how a TBA scholarship will assist you in being able to attend the course (max 1000 characters including spaces):

31. **For AFRICAN applicants:** Do you own a passport?

- Yes - I have a valid passport
- No - I do not yet have a passport or it has recently expired - I am willing to buy a new passport at my own expense and I shall have one by the end of May 2025

32. **For Rest of the World applicants:** Do you wish to be considered for a BES scholarship?

- Yes
- No

33. Please describe how a BES scholarship will assist you in being able to attend the course (max 1000 characters including spaces):

Note: If you are successful, the BES scholarship will be deducted from the course fee and you don't have to take any further action

* 34. How did you hear of this TBA field course?

- Teacher
- Friend/colleague
- TBA Alumnus
- Website
- TBA poster
- Facebook
- LinkedIn
- Twitter

Other (please specify)

Thank you

The application deadline is midnight on Friday, March 14th. You will be notified by email by the third week of April 2025 regarding the outcome of your application