

Missouri Chapter of the American Fisheries Society

Student Achievement Award

The Missouri Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Student Support Trust Fund was established to assist deserving students with financial aid for their professional development in the aquatic natural resources field. Funding for this award comes from interest earned on the Student Support Trust Fund core funds. The Student Achievement Award recognizes excellence in academic achievement and extra-curricular involvement by Missouri students. A selection committee consisting of MOAFS members ranks applicants and selects the recipient. Once selected, the award recipient is notified and presented a check in the amount of \$500.00 at the MOAFS annual business meeting. Award monies must be used for education related expenses including tuition, books, fees, or travel to aquatic society related conferences or meetings.

Eligibility

Applicants must be enrolled as an undergraduate or graduate student at a Missouri college or university during the semester when the scholarship application is due (fall semester) and pursuing a degree in the aquatics natural resource field (ex: natural resources management, fisheries science, biology, wildlife conservation, environmental science, or a related field). Applications and supporting materials must be submitted by December 1. Procedures and application are on the reverse side. *The scoring rubric accounts for competitive differences between undergraduate and graduate students to ensure applicants are competitive, regardless of academic status.



Application

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To apply for this award you must complete this form, include items listed below, and submit all items to the MOAFS Student Support Committee. Electronic submissions are preferred and should be sent to moafsstudents@gmail.com on or before December 1. Upon receiving your application, the Committee chair will acknowledge that your application has been received via email. If you do not receive this email within 5 days of submitting your application, it is your responsibility to contact the Committee chair to ensure that your application was received. Hard copies are accepted and should be postmarked by December 1 to: MOAFS Student Support Committee, c/o Jacob Westhoff, School of Natural Resources, 302 Anheuser-Busch Natural Resources Building, The University of Missouri, Columbia, MO 65211.

Date	
Name in full	
Address	
Phone number	
Email address	

Name of University/College	
Name of Degree Program	
Year Started Current Degree Program	
Anticipated date of graduation	
Cumulative GPA for each degree	B.S.: M.S.: Ph.D.:

In addition, please submit:

- Resume that includes education and work experience, plus AFS involvement at any level, academic accomplishments, awards, scholarships, research activities and presentations/publications, etc.
- Cover letter (1 page only) detailing professional aspirations/career goals, how you would use the scholarship, and financial need.
- Copy of school transcript (can be official or unofficial copy).
- Reference form by professional contact (e.g., instructor, supervisor, professor) that attests to the accuracy of the application. *This can be submitted separately or by applicant