

NOTICE OF STUDENT TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABILITY

The Washington – British Columbia Chapter of the American Fisheries Society (AFS WA-BC Chapter) is offering travel awards to attend our Western Division Meeting in Vancouver, B.C., April 12-16, 2020. Awards are available to AFS WA-BC Chapter student members attending post-secondary educational institutions and pursuing degrees (Bachelors, Masters, Doctorate) in fisheries and aquatic sciences or related fields.



If you are not currently a member of AFS, you can become a member here: <https://fisheries.org/membership/join/>. **Be sure to sign up for the WA-BC Chapter. If you are a member of AFS, but not the WA-BC Chapter, you can join by updating your Subscriptions via your AFS account.**

OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSES OF THE AWARD FUND

1. To prepare young men and women with an education in fisheries and aquatic sciences from institutions in Washington State, the Province of British Columbia, and the Pacific Northwest.
2. To promote education that will assist in and encourage the conservation of natural resources and the appropriate management through training in accredited formal and vocational public and private schools in this geographic area.
3. To further the education of applicants interested in promoting the wise use of the natural resources in the Pacific Northwest.

AWARD USE

Travel awards are based generally on the financial need, award capability, and activities of the applicant, and the objectives and purposes of the fund. This award can be used to help cover registration, travel and lodging expenses for the meeting. Priority will be given to applicants who are presenting (oral or poster) at the meeting, and who have demonstrated an effort to minimize travel and lodging costs (e.g., carpooling, shared accommodation, etc). **The total value of the travel award may be up to \$500.** Successful applicants must submit registration, travel and lodging receipts to the AFS WA-BC Chapter treasurer for reimbursement. **It is also expected that the student will submit a brief summary of their experiences after the meeting, for inclusion in the chapter newsletter.**

INSTRUCTIONS TO AWARD APPLICANTS

1. Complete and email the application form and requested items to:

Caroline Walls at wallsc@wwu.edu and CC: btjenewein@gmail.com.

Applications must be **RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 11:59 PM on Sunday, February 16, 2020.**

2. Provide a letter of recommendation from one current or recent teacher or professor.
3. (*Optional*) Provide any additional information or data you feel would be appropriate and would assist the selection committee.

Applicants will be notified by approximately March 1 of the decision regarding their application

Application for Student Travel to AFS Western Division Meeting, April 12-16, 2020

Please provide the following personal information (print or type):

Student Email address: _____

School: _____

Degree/Major Pursuing: _____

Are you currently an AFS WA-BC Chapter member? YES _____ NO _____

Will you be presenting any research at the 2020 AFS Western Division Meeting (Poster or Oral)?

Address of residence in April 2020 (where will you physically be living?):

Alternative/permanent mailing address:

Phone Number: _____

_____ (Initials) I affirm that I am currently enrolled in a post-secondary educational institution, and pursuing a degree (Bachelors, Masters, Doctorate) in fisheries and aquatic sciences or related fields.

To the best of my knowledge, all information contained in and accompanying this application is correct and complete.

Applicant's Signature

Name

APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Please indicate the level of financial assistance you are requesting:

- Registration:** \$ _____
- Transportation** (describe needs below): \$ _____
- Lodging** (describe needs below): \$ _____
- Other** (describe needs below): \$ _____

Total Amount Requested: \$ _____ USD or Canadian (please indicate)

Briefly explain requested amounts:

2. List your current and most recent higher education or vocational schools. If an undergraduate student, please also list the high school from which you graduated.

School Name	Year(s)	Grade Point Average
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

3. State the college or other degree or certificates you are currently pursuing or intending to pursue. If you are a master's or doctoral student, please also include undergraduate Major / Minor.

4. Briefly describe your extra-curricular activities at school or elsewhere during the past three years. Include charitable activities and participation in organizations.

5. Briefly describe any scholastic and non-scholastic awards or honors you have received.

6. List the nature and amount of any scholarships you have received within the past three years.

7. Do you receive financial assistance from your parents? Yes ____ No _____. If Yes, briefly describe in general:

8. (*Optional*) Please provide any additional information or data you feel is appropriate. (Including, but not limited to, any plans to reduce costs via carpooling or room-sharing)

9. Please provide a statement in **200 words or less**, which gives your plans for furthering your education or vocation in fisheries, aquatic sciences, or related fields. Please state why you think you qualify for this Scholarship Award.

10. BE SURE TO INCLUDE a letter of recommendation from a current or recent professor.

Thank you,

Student Scholarship Committee
WA-BC Chapter of the American Fisheries Society