

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES SECTION

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RE: 2010 Mentoring for Professional Diversity in Fisheries/Aquatic Sciences Award

Dear Friend:

The Equal Opportunities Section of the American Fisheries Society (AFS) sponsors an annual award for mentoring in professional diversity in aquatic related sciences. This non-monetary award is designed to recognize an individual who has contributed to increasing diversity in these disciplines by mentoring students and/or professionals from underrepresented groups, including women, disabled persons and ethnic groups (African American, Native American, Hispanic, Asian Pacific, etc.).

This award will be presented at the Equal opportunities Section (EOS) luncheon meeting at the 2010 annual AFS meeting, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. We encourage you to nominate a professor, colleague, or someone who you feel deserves such recognition.

The following are some general criteria to be met by the nominee. Please feel free to expand beyond these criteria as necessary:

- Nominees should provide academic and/or professional guidance with networking, goal setting, and career development.
- Nominees should challenge and provide intellectual growth and support to individuals.
- Nominees should provide advocacy and be a positive role model.
- Nominees should provide encouragement, support (Academic, professional and personal), and acknowledgment of accomplishments to individuals.
- Nominees should foster long-term development with individuals.

Nominees do not have to be members of AFS. However, we strongly encourage you to nominate your fellow members. The deadline for submission of nominations for the 2010 award is **June 18, 2010**. Please submit the following information (in PDF of MS Word only):

- Application
- Summary of nominee's qualities
- One letter of recommendation from a colleague/mentee of the nominee, preferably from someone other than the person nominating

Thank you for being a part of AFS and EOS. Your contributions continue to help strengthen our mission to promote diversity in the fisheries and aquatic science professions. If you have any questions or suggestions about the award, please do not hesitate to contact me or the current section president, Dr. Larry Alade, at email larry.alade@noaa.gov.

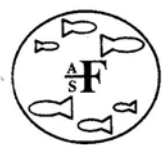
We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

[distributed by electronic mail]

Michele L. Traver
EOS Mentoring for Professional Diversity Chair
AFS Equal Opportunities Section

Cc: Dr. Larry A. Alade, President, Equal Opportunities Section



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Mentoring for Professional Diversity in Fisheries/Aquatic Science Award Application

Mentors are such an integral part of a successful career. In recognition of this rarely recognized component, the Equal Opportunity Section of the American Fisheries Society is awarding one individual in fisheries/aquatic science, for their hard work and dedication to increasing professional diversity in these fields of study. Please note that this is a non-monetary award.

In order to be eligible, all nominees must meet the following general criteria:

- Nominees should provide academic and/or professional guidance with networking, goal setting, and career development.
- Nominees should challenge and provide intellectual growth and support to individuals.
- Nominees should provide advocacy and be a positive role model.
- Nominees should provide encouragement, support (Academic, professional and personal), and acknowledgment of accomplishments to individuals.
- Nominees should foster long-term development with individuals.

Please note that nominees do not have to be members of AFS to be considered, though it is strongly encouraged. The nominees can also be international.

Please submit:

- Application (below)
- Summary of nominee's qualities
- One letter of recommendation from a colleague/mentee of the nominee, preferably from someone other than the person nominating

All applications can be sent to:

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Deadline for submission is no later than is **June 18, 2010**. Only PDF and MS Word documents will be accepted.

Nominator's Name: <i>(Must be a mentee or colleague)</i>	
Affiliation:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email:	
Nominee's Name:	
Affiliation:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email:	
Time as a Mentor:	
Supporter's Name: <i>(person writing recommendation)</i>	
Affiliation:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	
Phone Number:	
<p><i>Please submit a summary (<500 word or 1 page) discussing the nominee's qualities and reasons for selection and one letter of recommendation along with this form.</i></p>	