

**2010 Estuaries Section of the American Fisheries Society Travel Award Announcement  
Pittsburg, PA September 12-16 2010**

The Estuaries Section of the American Fisheries Society (AFS) is pleased to offer financial awards for three undergraduate or graduate students in support of their attendance at the AFS 2010 Annual Meeting. The meeting is scheduled for 12-16 September 2010 in Pittsburgh, PA. The amount of each award will be \$500 and will include a one-year membership in the Estuaries Section.

The Estuaries Section will fund one award, and the Southern Association of Marine Laboratories (SAML) will fund two. For the Estuaries Section award, priority will be given to students who are presenting their own research at the conference (in an oral or poster presentation), are AFS Estuaries Section members, and have a demonstrated financial need. For the two SAML funded awards, in addition to the criteria listed above, preference will be given to those students representing a SAML institution. A list of SAML institutions can be found at <http://www.naml.org> (click on the SAML link). However, the selection committee will consider other students as well.

**Application procedures**

1. Interested students must submit a letter of application describing: (a) educational and professional background (b) whether they will be presenting at the meeting, (c) interest in pursuing a career related to the mission of the Estuaries Section (<http://www.fisheries.org/estuaries>) and (d) a statement of financial need. The letter must include all contact information including mailing address, telephone number(s) and e-mail address.
2. The application package must include a letter of advocacy from an academic advisor or other appropriate faculty member at the student's college or university. This letter should state (a) why the student deserves the award and (b) corroborate the need for the award.

3. Send the letter to:

Fred Genthner  
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Fax (850) 934-2486

Submissions by email are preferred, however, facsimiles (fax) are also acceptable. Questions may be directed to Fred at (850) 934-9342 or by email.

4. *The complete application must be received no later than 5:00PM on July 19, 2010.*

**Selection procedures**

All applications received by July 19, 2010, will be reviewed by a committee representing the Executive Committee of the Estuaries Section. The applications will be judged on the criteria of merit and need. The Committee in its judgment may select one, two, three or no recipients for awards.

**Awards and notification**

Those selected for awards will be notified by telephone or e-mail no later than August 2, 2010. Award will be paid by check at the AFS Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh, during the Estuaries Section reception and business meeting. Please check the schedule for the time and location of the meeting.