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2018 REQUEST FOR GRANT PROPOSALS

Under the terms of the will of Ethel M. Myers, a Trust has been established to award grants for studies in the marine sciences and conservation. The target grantees are graduate students in Master's and Ph.D. programs.

Limited consideration, based on funding available, may be given to undergraduates. Postdoctoral researchers will *not* be considered.

All grants shall be made without any obligation of repayment. The grants are approximately \$1,000 - \$2,500 depending in part on the number of proposals funded and the income available to the Trust.

A student will be funded only once for a given degree. Federal tax laws prohibit funding for stipends or tuition.

How to Apply:

You must submit your proposal electronically as a *Word* document, and email to myersoceantrust@gmail.com. Also, at least one letter of recommendation is required from your research advisor or recognized professional in your field. The letter(s) must be sent by the recommender(s) as a PDF document directly to the above email address (not via the applicant).

Deadline for the proposal and letter(s) of recommendation is midnight

Monday, March 5, 2018.

You and your research advisor will be notified by email when application material is received by the Trust. Final decisions will be emailed to all applicants and advisors by the 2nd week of April.

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Proposals must include each of the following five components:

- A **title page** stating your name, title of proposed research, name of institution, research advisor, level of degree, mailing address, and email address.
- An **introductory paragraph** stating the project's major objectives, hypotheses, and the significance of expected findings.
- A more **detailed account** expanding the information in the introductory paragraph. Include the scope of research objectives within the context of the total thesis project and your laboratory's goals. A brief description of methods (e.g., experimental design, field protocols, analysis) must be included in this section. The introductory paragraph, and this detailed account, together shall not exceed three double-spaced pages (font size 12pt).
- A list of **literature cited** with complete authorship, date, title of the article, journal name, volume, pages, and DOI if available.
- A **financial section** explaining all expected costs of the research, how you hope to raise the funds, funding already received, and how you intend to use the grant if your application is successful. This financial section shall indicate the **specific total** of funds requested from the Myers Trust. The financial section shall not exceed one page. Literature cited, and financial sections are not included in the three-page limit.

Considerations:

1. Priority will be given to students attending institutions located in Central California and to studies of species and waters of the Monterey Bay environs. Proposals from or focused on other geographic areas may be considered based on availability of funds.
2. We do not fund publication costs, expenses for meetings, travel, housing, or salaried compensation for the applicant or any assistants.
3. All projects must have required regulatory permits (local, state, federal, etc.).
4. Items such as binoculars, SCUBA gear, computers, etc., must be left with your institution when you graduate.
5. Minority students are encouraged to apply.

Contact: Art Haseltine, Corresponding Secretary, myersoceantrust@gmail.com

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