

Rhode Island Sea Grant Travel Award for Graduate Students in Marine Affairs

Presenting research at professional meetings and conferences is an important part of a high-quality graduate education. Therefore, Rhode Island Sea Grant and the URI Department of Marine Affairs are pleased to offer six Rhode Island Sea Grant Student Travel Awards of up to \$500 for 2018.

Eligibility

1. Awardees must be currently enrolled in a URI Marine Affairs graduate program (MAMA, MMA, and PhD).
2. The event to be attended must be consistent with the missions of Rhode Island Sea Grant and Marine Affairs. Those missions can be found on the respective websites: seagrant.gso.uri.edu/about/ and web.uri.edu/maf/
3. An abstract for a talk, paper, or research poster must have been accepted for presentation at the event.
4. The student must have requested travel funding from the URI College of Environment and Life Sciences, Graduate Student Association and/or Graduate Assistants United or demonstrated that they have exhausted these sources of funding for the year.
5. Any Marine Affairs graduate student may receive only one Rhode Island Sea Grant Travel Award per calendar year; travel must occur within the same calendar year that funds are awarded.

Application

Interested students should send an email to Dr. David Bidwell (dbidwell@uri.edu) containing:

1. A one-paragraph description of the meeting, including dates and location of the meeting and a rationale for attending the meeting
2. An acceptance letter or email for the talk or poster to be presented at the meeting (attached as PDF)
3. A brief budget including estimates for travel (airfare, mileage, etc.), lodging, conference fees, and per diem (up to \$30/day) and the total amount being requested (requests are not to exceed \$500)
4. Documentation that travel funding has been requested from CELS, Graduate Assistants United, or Graduate Student Association or that the student is not eligible to apply for these funding sources (e.g., has received funding for a prior event).

Proposals will be evaluated on a rolling basis by a three-person committee comprised of a Marine Affairs faculty member, a representative of Rhode Island Sea Grant, and a Marine Affairs graduate student.