

GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION FORM FOR THE 2024-2025 USF COLLEGE OF MARINE SCIENCE GRADUATE STUDENT ENDOWED FELLOWSHIPS

- William & Elsie Knight Endowed Fellowship Fund for Marine Science - \$30K
(plus \$2K research expenses)
- Gulf Oceanographic Charitable Trust Fellowships Endowment - \$26K (two fellowships offered)
- St. Petersburg Downtown Partnership Fellowship in Coastal Science * - \$20K
- Garrels Memorial Fellowship in Marine Science - \$20K
- Paul Getting Endowed Memorial Fellowship in Marine Science* - \$20K
- Jack and Katharine Ann Lake Fellowship in Marine Science - \$20K
- Wells Fargo Fellowship in Marine Science* - \$10K
- Southern Kingfish Association's Fellowship⁺ - \$10K
- William T. Hogarth Fellowship in Marine Mammals* - \$10K
- Carl Riggs Fellowship in Marine Science* - \$10K
- Linton Tibbetts Endowed Graduate Student Fellowship* - \$10K
- Sanibel-Captiva Shell Club / Mary & Al Bridell Memorial Fellowship - \$10K
- Tampa Bay Parrot Head Fellowship in Marine Science - \$10K
- George Lorton Fellowship in Marine Science - \$10K
- Thomas E. Pyle Memorial Fellowship in Marine Science* - \$10K
- Norman Blake Endowed Memorial Fellowship in Marine Science* - \$10K
- Kent A. Fanning Endowed Fellowship in Marine Science* - \$10K
- Robert & Jeanne Jolley Endowed Fellowship in Marine Science* - \$10K

* These fellowships have special eligibility requirements that need to be documented in the application file as explained in these guidelines. All applicants will automatically be considered for all general fellowships.

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Fellowship must document their financial need by filling out an online Federal Application Form (see Guideline 3e for details) before the application deadline.

Information regarding additional fellowships, assistantships, and awards from USF can be obtained from Dr. Naar, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs. All issues involving deadline extensions or questions about applications or letters must be addressed to and resolved by the Honors and Awards Committee Chair, Dr. Breitbart (KRC-2114, mya@usf.edu).

After reading the guidelines, please complete the application form and submit it as a single PDF document in the order specified in the application template to Sami Francis (MSL 210C, sfrancis1@usf.edu) **before the application deadline of 5:00 pm on Wednesday, January 31, 2024.** Reference Letters should be emailed as PDF documents directly from the letter writer to Sami Francis. Eligibility statements for specialized awards must be submitted as separate individual PDF files.

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ENDOWED FELLOWSHIP SUMMARY TABLE

Fellowship	Amount	Eligibility Statement Required	Details/Descriptions/Restrictions/Special Requirements (students are encouraged to apply even if relevancy is indirect)
William & Elsie Knight Endowed Fellowship Fund for Marine Science	\$30,000 + \$2K research expenses	No	Awarded to most meritorious applicant; retained until graduation or unsatisfactory progress. All applicants will be considered for this award
Gulf Oceanographic Charitable Trust Fellowships Endowment	\$26,000	No	All applicants will be considered for this award. Two of these fellowships are available
St. Petersburg Downtown Partnership Fellowship in Coastal Science	\$20,000	Yes, 1 page	Awarded to students working in coastal science studies consistent with the USGS mission, including research in shallow estuarine or marine environments, and on the continental shelf
Garrels Memorial Fellowship in Marine Science	\$20,000	No	All applicants will be considered for this award
Paul Getting Endowed Memorial Fellowship in Marine Science	\$20,000	No, but note eligibility timeline	Awarded to students who will be in their second calendar year of study at CMS (apply within first year). Given to student who exhibits exceptional promise in their first year by showing excellence in classroom and/or laboratory
Jack and Katharine Ann Lake Fellowship in Marine Science	\$20,000	No	All applicants will be considered for this award
Wells Fargo Fellowship in Marine Science	\$10,000	No, but note eligibility timeline	Awarded to students who will be in their second calendar year of study at CMS (apply within first year). Given to student who exhibits exceptional promise in their first year by showing excellence in the classroom and/or laboratory

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1. Eligibility Guidelines

- a) All applicants must be currently enrolled **or**

3. Detailed Description of the Endowed Fellowships

fellowship stipend) to exceed the maximum allowed for students, which is currently 29 hours per week. Any funding beyond 29 hours per week will remain in the endowment. When a student is not entitled to receive funding because they have an appointment that exceeds 29 hours per week (or equivalent pay from USF), then they will retain the recognition of being selected for a fellowship (by honorable mention). The fellowship and its funding will then be provided to the runner up, thereby allowing two students to be

they do not exceed any limits required by federal or other agencies that pay a stipend directly to the student. Questions can be addressed to Mr. Timothy Trowbridge (ttrowbridge@usf.edu) in CMS Human Resources.

- c) Fellowship recipients will be notified by early April. The funds will be available to the fellowship recipients at the beginning of the following fall semester. Shortly after the fellowship recipients are notified, they will receive additional details regarding writing

the same order as indicated within the general PDF application file, **except for** the eligibility statements, which should be submitted as separate PDF files with name and the fellowship name as part of the file name. All materials should be sent in one email.

Instruction Page for the Application Template
(Please read guidelines & instructions carefully prior to submission)

- I. Mark the specialized awards being applied for (page 1 of the application template)
- II. Fill out the personal data and academic background sections (page 1 of the application template).
- III. Include a **two-page** single

Name to print on plaque: _____ U#: _____

Check each fellowship you are applying for and/or believe you are eligible for:

Note: This page and the eligibility statements will not be circulated with the application file during voting. Each faculty member will independently rank all the students by merit, without knowledge of which awards the students are eligible for.

General Fellowships

(All applicants are automatically considered for each of the general fellowships)

St. Petersburg Downtown Partnership Fellowship in Coastal Science

(A one-page eligibility statement is required)

Paul Getting Endowed Memorial Fellowship in Marine Science

(No eligibility statement is required, but see guidelines regarding enrollment date)

Wells Fargo Fellowship in Marine Science

(No eligibility statement is required, but see guidelines regarding enrollment date)

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(Be sure to complete the online FAFSA form before the deadline)

Progress to Degree

Name: _____

Date of initial

(This page should start with the **Curriculum Vitae 2-page single-spaced limit**)
(The CV could include the following, listed in the preferred order, if possible)

Name

MS or PhD Student/Candidate in which Marine Science emphasis (biology, chemistry, geology, marine resource assessment, or physics)

Educational Background

Please answer the below prompts in a maximum of 300 words each

(Note: this replaces the 1-page statement of professional goals required in previous years)

1) Describe your research project (or anticipated research project) and the impacts you hope your work will have.

2) Describe your proudest accomplishment in the past year

List of Three Reference Letter Writers, their email address and phone number, a short description detailing their credentials and your professional relationship to them (~100 words per person). By submission of the fellowship application, students waive their rights to read the

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Unofficial Academic Record(s) From Graduate Program(s)

This page should be the last page provided within the submitted application file.