

Oregon Lakes Association

2024 Graduate Student Award

Award Amount: \$1,500 and up to \$200 for expenses to present at OLA conference.

Applications Due: 6/15/2024 **Award Date:** July 2024

Eligibility

- Master's or PhD students enrolled in an Oregon college or university conducting lake related research.
- Master's or PhD students enrolled in a college or university outside of Oregon conducting lake related research on Oregon lakes.
- Previous OLA Student Award recipients are not eligible.

We encourage applications from candidates of diverse backgrounds; in particular, candidates from marginalized groups underrepresented in Science, Technological, Engineering, and Math sciences.

Eligible projects or subjects include, but are not limited to:

- *In situ* research related to lentic waters (lakes, reservoirs, ponds, or oxbows).
- Laboratory based studies including zooplankton or phytoplankton physiology, cyanobacteria genetics, or biogeochemical processes studies.
- Computer based studies such as simulation modeling or satellite imagerybased research.
- Humanistic studies such as surveys on the use or perception of lakes, or studies related to the conservation of lakes.
- Watershed or stream research that is directly relevant to lotic waterbodies

such as studies of watershed nutrient loading.

Applications will be evaluated based on: the quality of the proposed research, educational preparedness of the applicant; significance to Oregon lakes, ponds, reservoirs, and their watersheds; Preference will be given to applicants with career goals related to the research, management, conservation or other benefit of lentic waters and associated lotic waters. The successful applicant will present a poster or talk at an upcoming OLA Conference.

Application Requirements

Please provide the following in 10 pt font, single spaced:

- Your biography including career goals (one-page limit)
- A statement of research interests and relevance to the field of limnology, watershed management, conservation, or social benefits of lakes (one-page limit)
- Your intended use of the award funds including estimated itemized costs such as travel, analysis, materials, etc. (one or two paragraphs)
- A resume or curriculum vitae
- Two letters of reference

Direct questions and email application materials to:

OLA Scholarship Committee oregonlakesassociation@gmail.com and rmiller@esassoc.com

For more information about the Graduate Student Award, including past awards recipients, visit the OLA website at: oregonlakes.org/Scholarship