Guidance and Review Criteria for HMSC Award Competition

6. Anja Robinson Fellowship

Scientific and technical merit: The intent of this award is to support OSU graduate students at the HMSC conducting research in shellfish aquaculture, and applications judged not appropriate to this topic will be disqualified. The scientific and technical merit criterion is based upon the creativity of the proposed research and quality of science, feasibility of the research and likelihood of results, and benefits and broader implications of the research, including the likelihood of resulting publications. (25 points)

Academic Qualifications (15 points): Academic standing and qualifications of the applicant. The track record in completing past research or, in the case of newer students, the promise of research capability, as well as the quality of the “team” (i.e., student and advisor) may be taken into account.

Service (5 points): Service to OSU, HMSC, the home department, the profession, and to the community will all be considered. Service includes committee service, outreach and community service, involvement in the Hatfield Student Organization, etc.

Use of HMSC Facilities: Required.

Budget and financial need (15 pts): Is the budget being used appropriately? Is there sufficient information to evaluate how the funds will be used? To what degree will the requested funds directly benefit the student’s research? (10 points). Financial need is a factor that may be considered. The funds should not be used to replace existing funds; if the project is already funded, the proposal should identify how the additional award will augment the funds. (5 points, greatest need gets greatest points)

Non-OSU Students: Not eligible.

Adherence to application procedures: Past reviewers have noted many applicants do not follow the application guidelines. The committee may choose to either assign negative points or disqualify any application that does not follow the instructions. (range: outright rejection or –5 points)