Bill Wick Marine Fisheries Award

Purpose: A memorial in honor of Oregon’s first Sea Grant Director, the Bill Wick Marine Fisheries Award supports graduate students in the areas of marine fisheries ecology, food processing, economics and marketing.

Amount: The award for 2018 is up to $4,000.

Application: Students must submit:

- Two-page statement of academic goals and summary of research (past and proposed research);
- Two-page Budget and Narrative explaining and justifying how funds will be spent;
- Resume (not to exceed 2 pages);
- A letter of support from major professor.

Duration: One calendar year. The recipient will be expected to prepare a poster on proposed research at the beginning (June 2018) and a report on results at the end of the year (June 2019) at the annual HMSC-Markham Awards Symposium.

Deadline: April 13

Apply to: Academic Programs Manager
Hatfield Marine Science Center
2030 SE Marine Science Drive
Newport, OR 97365
email: hmscacademic@oregonstate.edu
Tel. (541) 867-0380 Fax (541) 867-0444

Application Guidance:

Applications must be submitted as a complete package by the deadline. Electronic submission, as a single PDF file by email will also be accepted. **NOTE: Instructions for applications must be followed exactly or the application will not be considered.** For additional application guidance, see http://hmsc.oregonstate.edu/awards.html

Applicants with previous awards from HMSC should clearly indicate the level of past support, be certain that reporting requirements have been met, and provide a paragraph describing past progress or results (include in the 2-page statement of academic goals and summary of research).

The criteria by which applicants will be evaluated include: scientific merit (creativity and feasibility of proposed research and potential for broader implications); academic qualifications and service activity (to institution, community, profession); soundness of proposed budget; and financial need.
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**Scientific merit** (25 points): The award is specifically for research in any aspect of marine fisheries science, including fisheries ecology, seafood processing, economics, and marketing. This criterion is based upon the following:

- Creativity of the proposed research and quality of science (10 points);
- Feasibility of the research and likelihood of results (10 points);
- Benefits and broader implications of the research, including the likelihood of resulting publications (5 points).

**Academic Qualifications** (15 points): Academic standing and qualifications of the applicant. The track record in completing past research (as demonstrated in publications and presentations), as well as the quality of the “research 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**: This is not an applicable consideration for the Wick Award.

**Budget and Financial Need** (15 points): Is the budget being used appropriately? Is there sufficient detail to evaluate it? The committee should discuss in general terms (and document, if possible) those budget elements deemed most appropriate for funding. Aside from a scoring for the candidate, budget comments should be included, for example if some budget elements are higher priority than others (the entire budget request does not have to be funded). Additional points might be granted for capability to leverage extramural or agency funds. (10 points). Financial need is a factor that may be considered. The Wick Award funds should not be used to replace existing funds; if research is already funded, the proposal should identify how the Wick award will augment the funds and improve the quality of the research. (5 points, greatest need gets greatest points)

**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)