

## Louis & Maud Hill Coastal Marine Studies Award

- Background:** The Louis W. and Maud Hill Family Foundation (now the Northwest Area Foundation) contribution was for the express purpose of furthering the Coastal Marine Research at Oregon State University.
- Purpose:** This award represents one-time funding of up to \$12,000 to support a graduate student in coastal marine studies that include, but are not limited to aquaculture, oceanography, marine biology, and marine engineering.
- Support Areas:** Louis & Maud Hill Coastal Marine Studies Award funds can be used to support research expenses including wages, service and supplies, equipment, books, living stipend, tuition, computer support and library services (past expenses are typically not covered).  
NOTE: Funds cannot be used for travel to conferences and meetings.
- Eligibility:** Oregon State University Graduate Student
- Application:** Students must submit:
- Cover Letter
  - A three to four-page narrative concisely describing the research problem to be investigated: defining objectives, methods and significance of results. The hypothesis to be tested must be clearly stated and in the context of current knowledge based upon pertinent literature, yet written in a form understandable by a broad audience. Literature cited should be included in a bibliography. This narrative is to be composed by the graduate student.
  - A one-page budget;
  - A one-page budget justification explaining how funds would be expended to support your research program. The budget justification should explicitly state the role of award funds in light of other available funds, and how these funds will add value to the research. It should also describe other funding, including other scholarships, supporting the work.
  - Resumé, not to exceed 2 pages;
  - Letter of support from a faculty member, not to exceed 1 page.
- Duration:** Funds must be used within 24 months of award. Award recipients are asked to prepare a poster on proposed research at the HMSC Markham Awards Symposium (June) and make a short presentation on progress or results in the following year(s). These presentations, as well as financial reporting and other conditions, are required when accepting this award.
- Criteria:** The criteria by which applicants will be evaluated include: scientific merit (creativity, quality of science, and benefits of the research); academic qualifications and service activity (to institution, community, profession); use of HMSC facilities; soundness of proposed budget; and financial need.
- Deadline:** **April 13**
- Apply to:** Academic Programs Manager  
Hatfield Marine Science Center  
2030 Marine Science Drive  
Newport OR 97365  
email: [hmscacademic@oregonstate.edu](mailto:hmscacademic@oregonstate.edu)  
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**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 statement of current financial support).