Guidance and Review Criteria for HMSC Award Competition

7. Joan Crebbin Memorial Fellowship

Scientific and educational merit: The intent of this award is to benefit an OSU student seeking a marine science education. Both graduate students and undergraduate students are eligible. The donor cited two specific things – first, that preference will be given to students involved in the HMSC public education or K-12 activities (often internships) and secondly a study emphasis on marine mammals. If it is an internship, the merit points should focus on what is planned and how it will benefit the areas noted above. If more science oriented for a graduate student, the creativity, quality of science, and benefits of the proposed work are evaluated here. (15 points)

Academic Qualifications(15 points): Academic standing and qualifications of the applicant. The track record in completing past research or educational projects (if applicable), as well as the quality of the “team” (i.e., student and advisor) may be taken into account. If an undergraduate applying for an internship, it is largely the student’s academic qualifications.

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 mandated for an internship, and is not required, but may be given weight by the committee (up to 5 points) for a graduate student research project.

Non-OSU Students: Non-OSU students may apply for the Crebbin award for internships. The request would have to be for an educational activity related to OSU, and the work done by the student should be conducted at the HMSC. The proposal should clearly show how the student's project integrates into the marine science educational enterprise at the HMSC. For research projects, it should be OSU students.

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)