



2018 Undergraduate Travel Assistance Award

The Student Subsection of the Education Section of the American Fisheries Society (AFS) is seeking applicants for the 2018 Undergraduate Travel Assistance Award (UTAA). The UTAA is designed to introduce undergraduate students to AFS and increase participation at the Society level. The UTAA will help defer travel costs to the Annual Meeting and fund AFS membership. **Four undergraduate students will be selected to receive the award (\$500)** at the Education Section Business Meeting. Selection of awardees will be based on involvement in student and professional organizations and rationale for attending the meeting. The UTAA provides a great opportunity for undergraduate students to network with peers and professionals within AFS and immerse themselves in aquatic science and research that is being conducted by society members.

Recipients are expected to attend all student-related activities at the annual meeting including, but not limited to, the student colloquium, career fair, awards luncheon, Education Section business meeting, and Student Subsection business meeting. Travel funding may be withheld if these requirements are not met.

Applicants must be undergraduates or anticipate graduating prior to the Annual Meeting.

Below is the application form to be completed by the undergraduate student. For more information or questions contact:

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Specific instructions:

- Limit responses to each question to 150 words, 12-point font.
- Undergraduates will be evaluated based on two criteria: 1) involvement in student or professional organizations, and 2) reasons for attending the annual meeting.
- A mentor **must** endorse your application with a signature.
- Application forms must be received no later than **May 1, 2018** at midnight CDT.
- Please complete form and email the attached file to afsstudent@gmail.com. Please put "UTAA" and your name in the subject line.



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Name of Applicant:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Current University/College:

Current Degree Program:

Anticipated Graduation Date:

Name of Mentor*:

Mentor email address:

Mentor phone number:

Mentor Signature: _____

**Mentor can be a faculty advisor, agency employee, graduate student, etc.*



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1. Describe your past and current involvement in student and professional organizations



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2. Describe the reasons you want to attend the AFS Annual Meeting and how you envision receiving this award will affect your future participation in AFS and AFS-related functions.



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3. Describe your future career plans and how receiving this award will help you achieve your professional aspirations.