

Missouri Chapter of the American Fisheries Society

Joe G. Dillard Outstanding Undergraduate Scholarship

The Missouri Chapter of the American Fisheries Society assists deserving students with financial aid for their professional development in the aquatic natural resources field. The scholarship is named after Joe G. Dillard, who has been a tremendous contributor to both MOAFS and the development of undergraduate learning. Funding for this award comes from a combination of funds from the Student Support Trust Fund and student-support-specific fund-raisers led by the Chapter. The Joe G. Dillard Outstanding Undergraduate Scholarship seeks to support talented and promising aquatic natural resource professionals during their undergraduate studies in Missouri. A selection committee consisting of MOAFS members ranks applicants and selects the recipient (with preferences given to students with AFS involvement, financial need, and potential to impact the aquatics field). Once selected, the award recipient is notified and presented a check of up to \$2500.00. Award monies must be used for education related expenses including tuition, books, fees, or travel to aquatic society related conferences or meetings.

Eligibility

Applicants must be, or plan to be, enrolled as an undergraduate student at a Missouri college or university during the semester when the scholarship is awarded (winter/spring semester) and pursuing a degree in the aquatics natural resource field (ex: natural resources management, fisheries science, biology, wildlife conservation, environmental science, or a related field). Applications and supporting materials must be submitted by December 1. Procedures and application are on the reverse side.



Application

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To apply for this award you must complete this form, include items listed below, and submit all items to the MOAFS Student Support Committee. Electronic submissions are preferred and should be sent to moafsstudents@gmail.com on or before **December 1**. Upon receiving your application, the Committee chair will acknowledge that your application has been received via email. If you do not receive this email within 5 days of submitting your application, it is your responsibility to contact the Committee chair to ensure that your application was received. Hard copies are accepted and should be postmarked by **December 1 to: MOAFS Student Support Committee, c/o Jacob Westhoff, 3500 E. Gans Rd., Columbia, MO 65201.**

Date	
Name in full	
Address	
Phone number	
Email address	

Name of University/College	
Name of Degree Program	
Year Started Current Degree Program	
Anticipated date of graduation	
Cumulative GPA	

In addition, please submit:

- Resume that includes education and work experience, plus AFS involvement at any level, academic accomplishments, awards, scholarships, research activities and presentations/publications, etc.
- Cover letter (1 page only) detailing professional aspirations/career goals, how you would use the scholarship, and financial need.
- Copy of school transcript (can be official or unofficial copy).
- Letter of recommendation from a personal reference (i.e. school faculty member or natural resource professional). *This can be submitted separately.