

Graduate Scholarship Application Guidelines

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- \* Maintain current enrollment in a Texas accredited natural resource graduate degree program.
- \* Maintain an overall GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- \* Maintain enrollment at time of award presentation.
- \* One-time award eligibility for duration of research project.
- \* Maintain membership in the Texas Chapter of the Wildlife Society.

## **DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED:**

- \* One completed graduate assistance grant application.
- \* Signed letter of recommendation from Major Professor. Additional letters of recommendation (please, only those pertinent to conservation work) will be accepted
- \* Copy of research proposal synopsis.
- \* Copy of current college transcript (scanned copies, as part of an electronic application, are preferred).
- \* Note that transcripts received that have Social Security Numbers or birth dates will not be accepted (they will be immediately shredded/deleted); if your transcript has either of these items, please blot them out with a marker before scanning or mailing.
- \* Applications may be submitted directly by the student applicant to the Scholarship Committee Chair; they no longer have to be coordinated/submitted through the Student Chapter Faculty Advisor.
- \* Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit their application electronically (by e-mail). Preference is for applications to be received in one document (pdf preferred), but multiple electronic documents will be accepted.
- \* Applications are also accepted by mail. Note that applications received by mail will be converted to a pdf by the Scholarship Committee Chair before being sent out for review. No claims or guarantees can be made concerning the quality of this process. It is your application and if you want to guarantee that it looks sharp, it is suggested that you figure out a way to get it into an electronic format before submitting it.

## **SELECTION CRITERIA**

- \* Participation in activities, internships, and work experience related to the field of natural resource conservation.
- \* Professional involvement, publications and seminars related to the field of wildlife conservation.
- \* Involvement in Student Chapter of The Wildlife Society at your university.
- \* Involvement in Texas Chapter The Wildlife Society activities and programs.
- \* Project design, ingenuity, and relevance to the field of natural resource conservation.
- \* Overall quality of the application.

## SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENT

- \* Grant Assistance presentation and payment made at the Texas Chapter Annual Meeting with follow-up documentation of volunteer service to Scholarship Committee Chair.
- \* Application materials available from university faculty contacts, Scholarship Committee Chair, or Texas Chapter website.
- \* Application Deadline: To Scholarship Committee no later than December 16. Postmarks are not accepted.