

Application for 2021 Muir Institute Graduate Fellowship
Due March 1st. Awards announced March 30th, 2021

The Muir Institute Scholars Program awards fellowships to UC Davis graduate students classified as “continuing students” in support of policy relevant research in one of the core Muir Institute initiatives which include: One Climate, big environmental data, Wild Energy, and world water initiative; or Post Doc position (s) supporting One Climate Initiative. *Grad Student Applications that connect with One Climate Partners and coordinate with Muir Institute centers and groups will be given preference.* Hands-on policy driven solutions are a key goal of our programs. Each student will be awarded \$5000.00 for research, travel, and publication expenses. You will be paired up with a Muir Institute Faculty Fellow. Up to six Grad Student Scholarships will be awarded. Throughout the year they will get a chance to meet with communication experts to learn how to best translate science to the public. Each awardee is expected to present their progress to the public at an event at year’s end.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Daytime contact number: _____

Are you currently a UC Davis student?

Yes No

What is your anticipated quarter and year of graduation? _____

Which department and Professor/PI are you associated with? _____

Which Muir Institute Core Initiative is your focus? _____

Please list Muir Institute Centers or group affiliations: _____

Title of the proposed research project (remember to include a policy goal):

Please submit:

- Research Plan and policy component;
- Draft budget on how you plan to use the research and travel funds;
- graduate grade-point average (GPA). Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 in order to be considered for UC Davis fellowships;
- academic transcripts;
- statement of purpose essay, including a description of how the proposed research is linked to California state policy (please limit to 500 words);
- One letter of recommendation from your supporting professor/advisor (PI for this award – have them specify if they are willing to house the disbursement in their department);
- contact information for two professional references; and
- CV and/or resume including publications and awards.

I have read and understand the following requirements:

Yes No

These fellowships will be for up to \$5000.00 for research costs (equipment and supplies) and research or conference related travel distributed to the department and Principal Investigator/Faculty Advisor hosting the graduate student. Research should be focused on policy solutions and strategies relevant to California issues. The awardees must participate in an end-of-year symposium to present their research to the public. Throughout the year, professional development opportunities such as field site visits, communications workshops, and an informal speaker series will be provided. Students will be required to attend the kick off session, the speaker events, the mid-term update meeting and give an oral or poster presentation at a public symposium with an accompanying white paper in November or December of 2020. Your PI may have additional requirements.

Signature: _____

Printed name: _____

Date: _____

Please send this material to:

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