Undergraduate Research Grants
Rhonda & Paul Sipp Student Research Award

Undergraduate Research Grant Application Summer / Fall 2015

DEADLINE
FRIDAY, JUNE 26TH

Submit completed application and supporting documentation to

Dr. Mazeika Sullivan
sullivan.191@osu.edu
Please submit all application
materials as a single pdf.

The Wilma H. Schiermeier Olentangy River Wetland Research Park (ORWRP) is pleased to announce that applications are currently being accepted for the Rhonda and Paul Sipp competitive undergraduate research grant. Up to 5 undergraduate research awards will be granted. Typical awards will be $500 with the potential for additional funding up to $750 for exceptional projects with demonstrated need. Research can address either basic or applied questions, but must have a clear link to wetlands or other aquatic ecosystems. All proposals must be part of a university research effort under the guidance of a faculty mentor. Awards will be announced by June 30, 2015. Students are required to provide a poster presentation of research within one year of the award date.

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What can be funded?
Fundable projects are limited to undergraduate research in wetland, river, and/or aquatic ecosystems with at least a component of the research taking place at the ORWRP.

Fundable expenses include:
- Equipment, instrumentation, and consumable supplies
- Lab and analytical fees
- Poster printing and other material expenses associated with presentation of research

What cannot be funded?
Examples of non-fundable projects and expenses include:
- Projects without faculty mentorship
- Research not associated with aquatic ecosystems or the ORWRP
- Travel expenses, tuition, conference or workshop fees
- Student salaries

Eligibility
Applicants must be Ohio State University undergraduate students in good academic standing (GPA >3.0).

Application Checklist
Applications must include the following items to be considered for funding. Submissions excluding any of the items will not be forwarded for review.

_____ Application form with all requested information complete

_____ Faculty mentor letter of support

_____ Research Proposal

_____ Budget Proposal

_____ Advising Report (from "Advising Report" on buckeyelink.osu.edu)

Where do I submit the application?
Submit the completed application with all supporting materials indicated in the application checklist to:

Dr. Mazeika Sullivan, School of Environment and Natural Resources
sullivan.191@osu.edu

Deadline: 5pm, June 26, 2015

Questions and Additional Information
Please direct questions to
Brent Macolley (macolley.1@osu.edu) or
Dr. Mazeika Sullivan (sullivan.191@osu.edu).

Rhonda and Paul Sipp Student Research Grant Instructions
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Research Project Proposal Instructions

The project proposal should not exceed four typed pages and should include the following information:

- Background information
- Research objective
- Project description
- Preliminary research or results (if applicable)
- Personal significance of research and explanation of how it will contribute to your academic and career goals

Project Budget Proposal Instructions

The budget proposal should be presented clearly in tabular or spreadsheet format and should include the following:

- Expense items
- Item quantity
- Item cost and total cost for quantity requested
- Total project cost
- If applicable, delineate items and amounts funded by others and clearly indicate the amount funded under this application
- Vendors and catalogue numbers for each item, if known

Faculty Mentor Letter of Support Instructions

A brief letter that includes verification that your faculty mentor supports the research project and will provide the appropriate guidance should be submitted with the application. Formal letters of recommendation are not required, but will be considered along with the application if provided. Faculty mentors should email the verification and reference to sullivan.191@osu.edu and the letter will be attached to your application materials prior to review. It is your responsibility to ensure that letters are received by the deadline.

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Basic Information

Full Name:

OSU Email Address:

OSU Student ID Number:

Local Address:

Permanent Address:

Phone:

First term/year at Ohio State University:

Academic Information

OSU College:

OSU School/Department:

Major/Minor:

Concentration:

Cumulative GPA: Major GPA:

Expected Graduation Date:

Do you have educational goals beyond a bachelor's degree?

If so, what are your goals?

Summarize any previous research involvement:

Research Project Information

Project Title: _____

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Faculty Project Mentor (Name/Department): _____

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Faculty Mentor Email: _____

Faculty Mentor Phone: _____

Term award would be used: _____

Amount Requested: _____
(If you are requesting an amount over $500 and your project is selected, you may not be awarded the full amount requested.)

Other sources of funding used for this project and amounts, if applicable: _____

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I attest that all the information provided by me in this application and the attached proposal is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____

Date: _____