

# Catfish Management Technical Committee Scholarship

This scholarship was created at the spring 2015 Southern Division meeting to provide financial assistance to a graduate student in the southeastern United States (Alabama, Arkansas, Washington D.C., Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Virgin Islands, West Virginia) who is studying catfish-related fisheries management. This scholarship was also developed in an attempt to garner more student involvement in the Southern Division Technical Committees. A 3-person sub-committee (Chair, Secretary-Treasurer, & Chair-Elect) will review the applications and select the scholarship winner.

One \$300 scholarship will be awarded annually to a student with outstanding research and academic performance. This award will be made directly to the student and not the student's educational institution. It can be used for any aspect of the graduate education including, but not limited to, tuition, textbooks, equipment, travel or living expenses. It is not intended to replace any funding obligated to the student. Scholarship recipients will be required to present the results of their study to the Committee during our annual meeting held in conjunction with the SDAFS spring meeting (Galveston, Texas – January 24, 2019).

**The deadline for submitting the required information to the scholarship committee chair (Aaron Bunch, [Aaron.Bunch@dgif.virginia.gov](mailto:Aaron.Bunch@dgif.virginia.gov)) is December 18, 2018.** The chair will distribute copies to the scholarship committee members.

Instructions:

1. Complete the enclosed scholarship application.
2. Provide a copy of your research proposal indicating its relevance to catfish fisheries management and research in the southeastern United States.
3. Provide a letter of introduction and recommendation from the applicant's major professor or faculty advisor. This letter should state how long and in what capacity they have known the applicant. In addition, the letter should address the applicant's promise as a future fisheries scientist.
4. Submit the scholarship application, research proposal, and letter of recommendation to the scholarship committee chair via email no later than December 18, 2018.

After the deadline has passed, the scholarship committee will rank the compiled information for the applicants and make selections several weeks before the Southern Division meeting. The scholarship winner will be presented with an official AFS plaque and scholarship check during the SDAFS business meeting.

Winners of the Catfish Management Technical Committee Scholarship are encouraged to present their research at future AFS meetings.

**Deadline: December 18, 2018**



## *Scholarship Application*

**Instructions for submitting the scholarship application can be found in the scholarship application letter. This application, along with the required supporting materials, should be submitted by email to the scholarship committee chair no later than December 18, 2018.**

Name in Full (Print/Type)			
	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
Permanent Residence	Number, Street, and Apartment Number		
	City	State	ZIP
Your Address at School (if different)	Number, Street, and Apartment Number		
	City (if studying abroad, add country)	State	ZIP
Phone Number	(    )		
E-mail Address			
Current Cumulative GPA		Your Undergraduate Major(s)	

**1. List awards, scholarships, publications or special recognitions you have received.**

Award	Date

**2. List government and nongovernment activities (part-time jobs, internships, ROTC/military).**

Employer	Type of Work	Dates

Name (Print/Type)	
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**3. Describe a recent particularly satisfying public service activity that you were involved with (do not repeat experience described in #2).**

**4. What do you hope to do and what position do you hope to have upon completing your graduate studies?**