



**Marcelle Kranzberg Undergraduate Research Scholarships
and
Thomas F. George Undergraduate Research Scholarships**

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: 2015-2016

The Whitney R. Harris World Ecology Center has funds available to provide research scholarships to undergraduate students in conjunction with either UMSL faculty or graduate students who are conducting research in population biology, ecology, evolution, systematics, behavior, behavioral ecology, biogeography, conservation biology, conservation policy, politics or socioeconomics of conservation, and sustainable development.

Undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Missouri-St. Louis are eligible to apply. Applicants should be sponsored by a faculty member and develop a proposal that will advance a component of an established research project or program. Awards will normally range from \$300-\$500 but may be as high as \$1,000. Harris Center research grants will not support tuition, stipends or books but may be used for travel, living expenses (if applicants spend time away from their usual residence) and field or laboratory supplies associated with the proposed work. Any questions regarding eligibility and budget should be directed to the Harris Center Director: robert_marquis@umsl.edu.

The proposal, as an email attachment, should be forwarded to the Director of the Whitney R. Harris World Ecology Center at robert_marquis@umsl.edu by the faculty member sponsoring the research. The narrative of the research proposal should not exceed two single-spaced pages (12-point font, one inch margins) with the following suggested headings and subheadings: Objectives, Project Description and Methods, Project Timeline, and Project Significance. Figures, tables and bibliography should be separate from the 2-page proposal, as should a separate page entitled Budget and Budget Justification. Include within the

narrative hypotheses/predictions that will be tested. A curriculum vitae or resume, maximum two pages, should be attached as the final component of the application. Font size should be at least 12 point throughout and at least 1-inch margins are required.

Competition deadline: There are two competition deadlines: **Friday, November 6, 2015, 5:00 pm**, and **Monday, February 22, 2016**. Awards will be announced in early December, and mid-March respectively. Recipients of these awards should provide a scientific and budget report (with receipts) within 12 months of the award date to the Director, Whitney R. Harris World Ecology Center. A draft letter thanking the donor should also be sent to the Director.

Whitney R. Harris Community Scholarship

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The Community Scholarship is an endowed scholarship, based on earnings from the World Ecology Award Gala for Prince Albert II of Monaco. It was established in the spirit of the partnership in which the Whitney R. Harris World Ecology Center was founded. Specifically, the Harris Center offers annually one or more Community Scholarships to UMSL-enrolled students, undergraduate or graduate, who propose to conduct research in conservation of biodiversity that links current research programs of two or more partner institutions. Current partners are the University of Missouri-St. Louis, the Missouri Botanical Garden, and the Saint Louis Zoo. There should be one or more named mentors at each partner institution who provide written endorsement of the proposal. Proposals will be judged for their innovation and creativity, and likelihood for success. Proposals that are interdisciplinary will be given special consideration. Funding is for one year, and the amount requested should not exceed \$7,000.

Deadline: Proposals are due March 1 of each year, and are to be judged by the Harris Executive Committee. Award announcements will be made on or before April 15.

Application: Full research proposal (8 page single spaced limit plus appendices and justified budget) plus Curriculum Vita (2 page limit).

Funding: up \$7,000.