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**Maryland Sea Grant  
2018 Competitive Graduate Research  
Fellowship and  
Graduate Research Support Grants**

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# Maryland Sea Grant 2018 Competitive Graduate Research Fellowship

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Due Wednesday, May 2 at 5 PM EST

# Goals

- To provide two year fellowship support for graduate students working on coastal issues relevant to the state of Maryland and Maryland Sea Grant's strategic priorities
- To provide fellows the opportunity to work on relevant research without other teaching or research obligations
- To encourage fellows to pursue research relevant to policy and management issues as well as to develop mentorship relationships and opportunities to translate their research to relevant audiences

# Fellowship Details

- Support for a graduate student up to two years\*
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> year of funding will be contingent on satisfactory performance
- Fellowship will start September 1, 2018
- Proposal is due May 2, 2018 through MDSG's proposal portal, eSeaGrant

\*Contingent on availability of federal funds

# Fellowship Details (cont.)

- Students must be an enrolled in a full-time graduate or professional degree program (master's or Ph.D.) in Maryland
- Award will provide a stipend (\$25,000), fringe benefits, and tuition remission for the fellow paid directly by Sea Grant
- If your institution requires you to be on its payroll, MDSG will issue an award to cover a \$25,000 stipend, fringe benefits, and partial tuition remission -- up to a total of \$35,000/year

# Research

- Applicant's research must be consistent with Maryland Sea Grant's Strategic Plan
  - Healthy Coastal Ecosystems
  - Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture
  - Resilient Communities and Economies
- Emphasis on translational research
- Emphasis on coastal resilience and sustainability issues

# Professional Outreach/ End-User Mentor

- Applicants must develop outreach plan with a professional mentor
- Emphasis on research translated and made available to management, policy, or education communities
- Mentors could be...
  - Resource manager
  - Federal or state agency personnel
  - Extension staff
  - Educator
  - Other End-User

• Not an Academic Faculty Member

# Fellowship Requirements

- Select and work with a professional outreach or end-user mentor
- Provide annual and final progress reports to MDSG, as well as electronic copies of derived publications and their thesis or dissertation
- Participate in MDSG-sponsored professional development activities, anticipated to be 1-3 activities
- Contribute one entry per semester to the MDSG student blog, *Fellowship Experiences*
- Acknowledge MDSG support in all relevant scientific presentations and publications.



# Proposal Submission Requirements

1. Cover Sheet (1-page maximum)
2. Career Goal Statement (1-page maximum)
3. Project Description (5-page maximum) (including graphics)
4. Literature Cited
5. Timeline and Tasks (1-page maximum)

# Proposal Submission Requirements (cont.)

6. Academic CV/Biosketch (2-page maximum)
7. Undergraduate and graduate transcripts (unofficial acceptable)
8. Letter of recommendation from Faculty Advisor
9. Letter of recommendation from Professional Outreach/End-User Mentor
10. Data Management Plan
11. Proof of acceptance and enrollment (if needed)

# Career Goal Statement

- Statement should include descriptions of:
  - Applicant's education and professional goals
  - How your goals connect to coastal science, sustainability, and/or issues relevant to Maryland Sea Grant's mission
  - How the fellowship will contribute to these goals

# Fellowship Summary

- Due **May 2, 2018 at 5 pm EST** through eSeaGrant
- More information can be found:

<http://mdsg.umd.edu/topics/graduate-fellowships/competitive-graduate-research-fellowship>

- Contact Maryland Sea Grant early!

# Maryland Sea Grant 2018 Graduate Research Support Grants Program

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Due Wednesday, April 25 at 5 pm EST

# Goals

- To support graduate research on coastal issues relevant to the state of Maryland and Maryland Sea Grant's strategic priorities
- To provide supplemental research support that will enhance or expand a graduate student's thesis or dissertation research
- NOT a source of stipend support

# Program Details

- Support for a graduate student research project for one year
- Grant will start September 1, 2018
- Proposal is due **April 25, 2018** through MDSG's proposal portal, eSeaGrant
- Students must be an enrolled in a full-time graduate or professional degree program (master's or Ph.D.) in MD

# Program Details (cont.)

- Award will provide up to \$10,000
- Appropriate budget items may include:
  - Materials and supplies
  - Travel for fieldwork
  - Travel for conferences
  - Analytic Services
  - Summer field assistant support
  - Other direct research costs
- Not allowable
  - Graduate student stipend
  - Benefits
  - Tuition remission



# Research

- Applicant's research must be consistent with Maryland Sea Grant's Strategic Plan
  - Healthy Coastal Ecosystems
  - Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture
  - Resilient Communities and Economies
- Emphasis on translational research

# Grant Requirements

- Participate in MDSG-sponsored professional development activities;
- Contribute one entry per semester to the MDSG student blog, *Fellowship Experiences*;
- Provide a final progress report to MDSG, as well as electronic copies of derived publications and their thesis or dissertation;
- Acknowledge MDSG support in all relevant scientific presentations and publications.

# Proposal Submission Requirements

1. Cover Sheet (1-page maximum)
2. Project Description (4-page maximum) (including graphics)
3. Literature Cited
4. Timeline and Tasks (1-page maximum)
5. Academic CV/Biosketch (2-page maximum)

# Proposal Submission Requirements (cont.)

6. Budget and Budget Justification
7. Data Management Plan
8. Letter of recommendation from Faculty Advisor

# Grant Overview

- Due **April 25, 2018 at 5 pm EST** through eSeaGrant

- More information can be found:

<http://mdsg.umd.edu/topics/graduate-fellowships/graduate-research-support-grants-program>

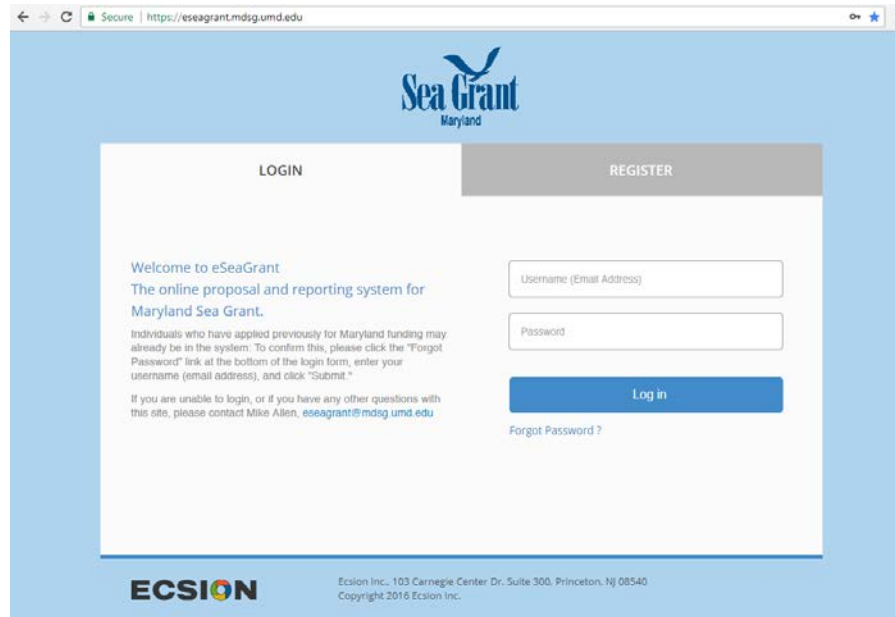
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# Data Management Plan

- Data must be made available within two years of the completion of the project.
- Must fill out the “Sea Grant Data Management Plan Form” found on the website

# Submission

- All applications must be submitted through eSeaGrant  
<https://eseagrant.mdsg.umd.edu>
- **The system requires you to register prior to submission, please give yourself ample time to complete the submission.**



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Welcome to eSeaGrant  
The online proposal and reporting system for Maryland Sea Grant.

Individuals who have applied previously for Maryland funding may already be in the system. To confirm this, please click the "Forgot Password" link at the bottom of the login form, enter your username (email address), and click "Submit."

If you are unable to login, or if you have any other questions with this site, please contact Mike Allen, [eseagrant@mdsg.umd.edu](mailto:eseagrant@mdsg.umd.edu)

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# Summary

## Competitive Graduate Research Fellowships

- Provide fellowship support for 2 years for student to pursue independent research project
- Due May 2 at 5 pm to eSeaGrant

## Competitive Research Support Grants

- Provide funding to conduct graduate research projects
- Due April 25 at 5 pm to eSeaGrant

<http://mdsg.umd.edu/topics/graduate-fellowships>

# Questions?

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