



THE UNIVERSITY OF
SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

GULF COAST RESEARCH LABORATORY

GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION

BENNIE A. ROHR SUMMER FIELD PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP

The Bennie A. Rohr Summer Field Program Scholarship was established to provide financial assistance to students who wish to attend field classes or conduct independent research at The University of Southern Mississippi, Gulf Coast Research Laboratory (GCRL) during the summer semester. Students who are eligible to compete for this scholarship must reside (home residence) in one of the three coastal counties of Mississippi (Hancock, Harrison or Jackson) and be undergraduate or graduate students majoring in the biological sciences. Applicants must be full-time at GCRL during at least one of the summer sessions and register for a minimum of 5 credit hours course work or a minimum of 5 credit hours independent research. Independent research will be conducted under the guidance of a Department of Coastal Sciences (COA) faculty member. This scholarship is available only for summer study or research.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicant must reside (home residence) in one of the three coastal counties of Mississippi (Hancock, Harrison or Jackson),
2. Applicant must be an undergraduate or graduate student in the biological sciences, and
3. Applicant must be a full-time student at GCRL during at least one of the summer sessions. Applicant must be registered for either 5 credit hours (minimum) of summer course work or 5 credit hours (minimum) of independent research. Independent research will be conducted under the guidance of a COA faculty member.

AWARDS

The 2013 Bennie A. Rohr Scholarship award will be approximately \$525. The scholarship will be paid to the recipient's Southern Miss business account to help offset tuition and other academic expenses. Academic and living expenses in excess of the scholarship award will be the responsibility of the student.

APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING

1. One (1) letter of recommendation from an academic adviser or major professor and
2. A short essay (not to exceed 500 words) on the subject of how attending GCRL Summer Field Program courses or conducting independent research at GCRL will help achieve your educational or career goals.

Scholarship applications are due by March 20, 2013. All applications will be evaluated by the Summer Field Program Committee, and the recipient of the Bennie A. Rohr Summer Field Program Scholarship will be announced prior to the first four week term. The criteria that will be considered in awarding the scholarship include:

- Essay
- Overall GPA
- Letter of recommendation

Completed scholarship applications should be mailed, e-mailed or faxed to: Sam Clardy, Gulf Coast Research Laboratory, 703 East Beach Drive, Ocean Springs, MS 39564, Samuel.clardy@usm.edu, (228) 818-8885.

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