Marine Science Program - Undergraduate Scholarships

Both incoming and current marine science majors are eligible to apply for these merit-based scholarships. Awards consist of $250 per semester for one academic year and are not renewable (but recipients may reapply each year). Minimum GPA of 3.0 required.

Richard C. Morris Marine Science Scholarship

The Morris Scholarship is awarded based on demonstration of academic excellence and financial need. Students must have completed 30 hours of coursework at USC as a Marine Science major to be eligible. Applications are solicited in the spring for an award which will be applied to their account for the following academic year.
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| The F. John Vernberg Graduate Fellowship in Marine Science | Yes | N/A | Dr. James Morris | 903.777.5288 | morris@inlet.geol.sc.edu |

Awarded to University of South Carolina graduate student who has completed all of the requirements for the Ph.D. degree, except for the dissertation, in the subject of marine science. The student's research will have been conducted with the Baruch Institute. The award may be used for any educational purpose. The award is $1000. Application is in the Spring semester. Application period and deadline are announced/posted.

| GeoScholar Scholarship Program | Yes, electronic submission to SCGEOSCH@mailbox.sc.edu | March 25, 2016 | Claudia Benitez-Nelson | 803.777.0018 | cbnelson@geol.sc.edu |

GeoScholar Scholarship Recipients may receive up to $7910/year in financial aid and housing in their first year and $5000/year thereafter, renewable up to four years. In certain circumstances, students may be eligible for a 5th year of aid. This a four-year value worth approximately $22,910 and the award may be combined with other sources of state and federal-based aid.
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Geoscience degrees eligible for the award include the following academic degree programs within the School of the Earth, Ocean, & Environment: Environmental Science, Geology, Geophysics, and Marine Science.

Expected GEO-Scholar awards: 6 - 8 new scholarships each year.

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