Graduate Student Scholarship to Attend WaterSmart Innovations Conference
Applications Deadline: July 22, 2016, 4:00 pm
Scholarship Amount: $1200

About
The NC Water Resources Research Institute (wrri.ncsu.edu), with support from the Southern Nevada Water Authority and the Universities Council on Water Resources (UCOWR), is pleased to announce the availability of a graduate student scholarship to attend the WaterSmart Innovations (WSI) Conference 2016 in Las Vegas, October 5-7, 2016 (www.watersmartinnovations.com).

To facilitate student attendance, WRRI will provide one student scholarship to participate in the conference. This is one of 20 such scholarships being offered through WRRIs around the country. The scholarship will pay for the student’s a) full conference registration, b) registration for one pre-conference workshop or post-conference technical tour, c) three nights lodging at the conference hotel and d) up to $500 reimbursement for round trip airfare including luggage fees or up to $250 reimbursement for use of a personal vehicle for travel. Students will be responsible for their own local transit, parking, and meals. Recipients will be reimbursed for travel by check upon arrival. The maximum value of the scholarship is $1200.

The WSI conference is seeking graduate students with research, experience, or interest in the areas of water demand management, water supply, and water conservation. The selected student is strongly encouraged to create a poster of their research and present it at the conference. Applicants are encouraged to submit an abstract of the work they would present along with their application.

For others interested in this conference, WSI is offering an academic discount of $100 to any faculty, staff, or student on a full registration with a valid “edu” email address. To receive this discount, enter code ED16W with online registration.

Submission & Contact
Scholarship applications are due by 4:00 p.m. Friday, July 22, 2016. Send applications, questions or comments to Nicole Wilkinson at nicole_wilkinson@ncsu.edu, 919-513-1216. Please indicate “WSI Scholarship Application” in email subject line. Applications will be reviewed by a panel of internal WRRI staff and water resources experts. The selected scholarship recipient will be decided by August 5, 2016 to allow ample time to make travel arrangements.

Application Requirements
To apply, please email the following items as attached PDF documents:

- A one-page letter explaining the need to attend this conference and how it would advance your research and networking opportunities
- A one-page letter of recommendation from a current advising or committee faculty member or supervisor (could be your advisor, someone on your thesis/dissertation committee, a current professor, or other supervisor for employment related to your research). The letter should be from someone you are currently working with (may be sent by applying student or separately by person writing letter to maintain confidentiality.)
- An abstract (250 word limit) for the research you would present in the form of a poster at the conference, if applicable.

Eligibility
Must be a current, full-time master’s or PhD student in good academic standing at one of North Carolina’s colleges or universities (public or private). Students not due to start their program until fall 2016 are not eligible to apply.