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Graduate Student Travel Scholarship to attend WaterSmart Innovations Conference Application Deadline: May 1, 2018, 4:00 pm

About

The NC Water Resources Research Institute (<u>wrri.ncsu.edu</u>), 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 2018 in Las Vegas, October 3-5, 2018 (<u>www.watersmartinnovations.com</u>).

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, and e) \$100 prepaid Visa card to assist with meals and miscellaneous expenses. Students will be responsible for their own local transit, parking, and meals. Recipients will be reimbursed for travel by check upon arrival.

The WSI conference is seeking graduate students (master's or PhD candidates) with research, experience, or interest in the areas of water demand management, water supply, and water conservation. The selected student is required to present a poster of their research at the conference. Four scholarship recipients selected by UCOWR and SNWA will be given the opportunity to make oral presentations.

Submission & Contact

Scholarship applications are due by **4:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 1, 2018**. 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 May 7, 2018 to allow ample time to make travel arrangements.

Application Requirements

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

- CV (2 page maximum)
- A one-page letter explaining the need to attend this conference and how it would advance your research, academic 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. It may be sent by applying student or separately by person writing letter to maintain confidentiality.
- An abstract (300 word maximum) for the research you would present in the form of a poster at the conference.

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 2018 are not eligible to apply. We strongly encourage applications from students attending one of North Carolina's Historically Black Colleges and Universities or other minority-serving institutions.