Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) Research Grants

These grants are for Humboldt State University students who are pursuing research projects that are broadly or specifically related to the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary. Grants will be awarded based on each project’s relevance to Marsh ecology, processes, and habitat concerns. At least $500 may be awarded per calendar year. While there is no deadline for application, proposals will be evaluated in the order they are received.

Both undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to apply. Grants are not intended to be the total source of support for a project and must be spent on out-of-pocket expenses such as supplies, laboratory testing, or travel. Grants are not to be used to pay for college tuition or fees, living expenses, food, salaries, or any expenses based on number of hours worked.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To submit a research grant application, send the following to FOAM, PO Box 410, Arcata CA 95518:

1. A brief (up to 1 page) synopsis of the study, including methods
2. An explanation of how the project relates to the FOAM mission statement (see below)
3. A budget of expected project expenses and timeline for project completion
4. A list of sources and amounts of other support you have received for the project
5. A letter of recommendation from your project advisor
6. A completed application form (see page 2), with contact and other information

Applicants should contact the City of Arcata Environmental Services Department to determine whether a permit is required for their research. Any project involving collection or sampling at the Arcata Marsh must have a Nature Area Use Permit approved by the City.

Winners will provide a copy of their thesis or final report and/or any other deliverables (e.g., poster) to FOAM in a timely manner, plus agree to present their results during a lecture understandable by the general public at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center or via a public walk at the Arcata Marsh. Copies of journal articles stemming from the research are appreciated. Recipients will acknowledge FOAM’s support in any publication stemming from the supported research. Funds will be distributed to the applicant after receipts for expenses are provided to FOAM.

FOAM Mission Statement

“The purpose of FOAM is to stimulate understanding of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary, its relationship with Arcata’s integrated wastewater treatment system, the surrounding watersheds and bay, and their link with the Earth’s water cycle.”
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RESEARCH GRANT APPLICATION

1. Date:

2. Your name, address, phone numbers (work/home/cell), and e-mail address:

3. Contact information for project advisor:

4. Project title:

5. What types of work products do you propose to submit to FOAM (see page 1 for suggested formats)?

6. Attach a 1-page synopsis of your study, an explanation of how the project relates to the FOAM mission statement, a budget, a timeline, and a letter of recommendation from your project advisor. List all other sources/amounts of support received for the project.

Submit this form with attachments to:
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