University of New Hampshire
Marine Biology Graduate Program Grants

Guidelines for Submission of Research Proposals

What do we support?
The MBGP is eager to support research and educational projects related to marine biology. We are open to a wide variety of proposals and if you have any doubts about the appropriateness of your ideas, contact Drs. Jenn Dijkstra and Nathan Furey. We will accept proposals from graduate students and faculty requesting funds that would be of benefit to the Marine Biology Graduate Program and graduate students whose research focus is estuarine and marine biology. Proposals that use the Judd Gregg Marine Research Complex and the Jackson Estuarine Laboratory are especially welcome.

We will fund both students and faculty members. Priority will be given to proposals that: 1) Enhance the Marine Biology Graduate Option in some manner; 2) Will improve the ability of graduate students who study marine and estuarine biology to obtain funding from other sources, for example by collecting preliminary data; 3) Make it possible for a graduate student to initiate or complete an important piece of research.

What don’t we support:
1. Request for funds for travel to meetings.
2. Graduate student stipends (but we will support undergraduates who are helping graduate students with their research).
3. Expensive items of equipment (> $5,000).

How much money is available?
For the Spring 2020 competition, we have approximately $15,000 to distribute. Successful applications are generally for less than <$5,000. All funds received must be spent within one year after the account is established. Thus, funds awarded this spring must be spent by the spring of 2021.

When are proposals due?
The spring deadline this year is February 28, 2020 with funds to be distributed by June 1, 2020.

Proposal format
We encourage people applying for funds to support research activities to use a traditional format which includes Background/Introduction, Rationale, Objectives, and Methods sections. You should include the hypotheses you are testing in your proposal as well, and indicate how the results of your study will address your hypotheses. Proposals should be short (<5 pages). A cover sheet is also available to help with processing the request and it outlines the information you need to supply with your proposal. A copy is attached. Finally, make sure to include a detailed budget AND a Budget Justification.

Proposals may be submitted electronically to marine.information@unh.edu or in person to the School of Marine Science and Ocean Engineering, Morse Hall, Room 113, Durham, NH 03824.
Marine Biology Graduate Program Proposal Cover Sheet

Name:

Title of Proposal:

Amount Requested:

Match (what will you, or your advisor, contribute?):

Include a Letter of Recommendation from a Marine Biology Graduate Faculty Member if you are a graduate student

Include a Vitae or CV or Resume

Have you received previous funding from us?  Yes  No
   If yes, below list year, titles and amounts.
   Also, please provide a summary of your findings with your proposal.

Are there any additional sources of funding to support this research?  Yes  No
   If yes, please list below.

Have you submitted any other grants to help support this research?  Yes  No
   If yes, please list below.

Do you plan to use boats, a lab or a SMSOE facility? Yes  No
   If yes, please elaborate.