

# **The Geological Society of America**

## ***Graduate Student Research Grants***

### ***ELIGIBILITY***

- Students may now only receive a GSA graduate student grant once at the Master's level and once at the Ph.D. level. This policy is retroactive to the beginning of your GSA research grant activity. Grant applicants who have applied in the past and have not been awarded may re-apply.
- Applicants (US or non-US) must be currently enrolled in a U.S., Canadian, Mexican or Central American university or college in a geological science degree program.
- Eligibility is restricted to GSA members. **How to Join GSA.**
- You must have a valid e-mail address to apply.
- Gender is not considered in the determination of minority status.

### ***DEADLINES***

- All applications and appraisal forms must be submitted by **Thursday, 11:59 p.m. (MST), 1 February 2007.**
- Award letters will be mailed out in late April. Results will not be disclosed by e-mail or telephone.

### ***APPLICATIONS***

- **Please read all instructions before starting your on-line application.**
- No transcripts are required.
- If you are applying for a Quaternary Geology and Geomorphology Division award (J. Hoover Mackin Award (Ph.D.) or the Arthur D. Howard Award (M.S.)), please visit the **QG&G Web page** for more instructions. Any application that has "Quaternary geology and geomorphology" selected under "general field of research project" will be eligible for consideration for these awards. You do not have to be a paying member of the QG&G Division to apply.
- If you are applying for a Southeastern Section graduate student research award, please visit **Southeastern Section Web page** for more instructions. Any application that has a home state included within the Southeastern Section geographical region will be eligible for consideration for these awards.

## ***APPRAISAL FORMS***

- Requesting appraisals is one of the steps in the application process.
- Once the application has been started and either submitted or "saved for later", a dialogue box asking you to invite the advisors to fill in an appraisal form will appear. This will prompt an e-mail to the advisor; that e-mail will contain a link which will connect the advisor to a personalized appraisal form. Once submitted, the form will then be automatically linked to your application.
- Two appraisals are required with each application. One evaluation must come from a current advisor. Advisors do not have to be members of GSA or come from the same institution as the applicant.
- Appraisal Forms must be submitted by the advisors. No mailed letters of reference will be considered.
- Applications missing any appraisal forms will not be eligible.
- The appraisal form cannot be saved for later and edited. Please compose answers in a word-processing program and copy and paste when text is final.

## ***PROGRESS REPORT FORMS***

- All 2007 grant recipients are required to submit a progress report by 31 March 2008.
- A **progress or final report**, MS Word format, for any previous GSA research grant must be included with a current proposal regardless if one has already been submitted to GSA for other purposes.

## ***TAXATION***

- The Geological Society of America is required to issue 1099 forms at the end of each calendar year according to rules set by the IRS. Issuance of a 1099 does not necessarily mean the income is taxable to the recipient. You need to make that determination which may require professional advice. GSA cannot offer such advice.

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