



## *Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society*

# **Training Opportunity and Project (TOP) Grant**

## *Grant Overview and Application Instructions*

### **American Fisheries Society Mission Statement**

*The mission of the Society is to improve the conservation and sustainability of fishery resources and aquatic ecosystems by advancing fisheries and aquatic science and promoting the development of fisheries professionals.*

Thank you for your interest in the Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society's Training Opportunity and Project Grant. This document contains information about this scholarship including application instructions.

**Overview:** The Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society established the TOP Grant in 2005. The purpose of the grant is to assist students pursuing activities consistent with the mission of the American Fisheries Society (see mission statement above).

Activities eligible for grant support may include any or all of the following:

1. Attendance at a professional conference, workshop, or training
2. Research activities
3. Education projects

Projects that all students are required to complete for a degree are not eligible.

**Grant Amount:** \$50-1000

**Eligibility:** Any student enrolled in any Idaho school or involved with the Idaho Chapter, including the student sub-units.

**Selection Criteria (not in order of relevance):**

***Preference will be given to students who are or have been involved with the Idaho Chapter including student sub-units.***

How will the proposed activity:

1. Support the mission of the American Fisheries Society
2. Enhance your development as a professional and/or benefit aquatic resources in Idaho

**Application Process:**

1. Complete and submit the application form available at the scholarship website:  
<https://www.idahoafs.org/ICAFStopGrant.php>.
2. Obtain a copy of your college school transcripts (unofficial transcripts are acceptable). Email your transcripts to:  
[scholarshipsandgrants@idahoafs.org](mailto:scholarshipsandgrants@idahoafs.org).
3. Identify a biology professor, faculty advisor, school administrator, or supervisor who will write your letter of recommendation. **The letter of recommendation must be completed and submitted using the letter of recommendation form** found at  
<https://www.idahoafs.org/ICAFStopGrant.php>

**Application Deadline: Applications accepted throughout the year.** Applications are reviewed in the order they are received, and qualified recipients receive awards until the annual \$750 allotment is reached.

**Notification:** Grant recipients are notified directly upon selection. Recipients will be recognized during the business luncheon at the annual meeting of the Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society.

**Additional Information:** For additional information about this scholarship please visit the scholarship website (<https://www.idahoafs.org/ICAFStopGrant.php>) or contact Lauri Monnot at 208-373-0203 or [scholarshipsandgrants@idahoafs.org](mailto:scholarshipsandgrants@idahoafs.org).