



SEGS Student Research/Field Work Grant Opportunity

Grant Overview: The Southeastern Geological Society (SEGS) is pleased to announce a competition for student research/field work grant awards. The purpose of the awards is to promote greater understanding of Southeastern U.S. geology through student research and/or field work. Grants are available on an application merit basis to any student, undergraduate or graduate, enrolled at any accredited University or College in Florida, Georgia, or Alabama.

For its 2020 grant, SEGS has allocated **grant awards of \$1,000 for one undergraduate student applicant and \$2,000 for one graduate student applicant**. However, at its sole discretion, the Executive Committee may extend reduced or full awards to outstanding runners-up. Awards are targeted for expenditures such as (but not limited to) field work, research travel, laboratory analyses, and research materials; they are not intended to fund indirect/overhead costs or wages.

Applications must be received or postmarked on or before a **deadline of September 30, 2020** (extended due to COVID) and be sent to the Awards Chairman using the online application form or at the below address. Applications will be reviewed by the SEGS Grant Awards Committee and judged based on the following criteria: 1) merit of proposed research/field work, 2) clarity of expression, and 3) strength of recommendation letter from a college faculty sponsor. All applicants meeting requirements will be acknowledged by email and provided one **free year of SEGS membership (up to a \$60 value)**. Following SEGS Executive Committee approval, awardee(s) will be notified, identified on our website, and sent check(s) by December 31, 2020.

It is expected that, within 1 calendar year of grant receipt, awardee(s) will present their project in the form of: 1) a brief article to be published in an SEGS Newsletter or Guidebook and/or 2) a presentation at an SEGS meeting. In the event of the latter, the student's pre-approved travel expenses to the meeting (e.g. flight, rental car or mileage, meals, and lodging), shall be reimbursed, and associated field trip fee waived by the SEGS, **up to a \$400 value**.

Application Requirements:

The application is intended to be brief; thus, items 1 through 4 below (combined) are limited to two pages (minimum 12-point font). Item 5 is sponsor preference. The application must include:

1. title of research project and/or field work;
2. name, address, email, and phone number of applicant;
3. current college status (where enrolled, major/degree program, GPA, and anticipated graduation date);
4. research and/or field work description, including why it is interesting or important, and how, when, and where the work will take place; graduate student applicants are strongly encouraged to include a budget indicating how the award is intended to be spent; and
5. a reference letter from a faculty sponsor who vouches for applicant qualifications and interest or importance of the work.

Applications must be postmarked by September 30, 2020 and sent to:

Andrew Lawn, M.S., P.G., Awards Chairman
Southeastern Geological Society, Inc.
PO Box 1636
Tallahassee, Florida 32302

Or apply online at:
<https://segs.org/student-grants/>