



Pamela Marrapese "Keep NH Lakes Clear" Scholarship

Purpose:

The purpose of the *Pamela Marrapese "Keep NH Lakes Clear" Endowed Scholarship Fund* is to provide a scholarship award for an outstanding undergraduate or graduate student at Plymouth State University who is seeking to develop an understanding of environmental science with particular interest in the science of freshwater ecology.

As a lifelong resident of New Hampshire, Pamela Marrapese was instrumental in the formation of one of the first lake associations in NH, The Webster Lake Association. She guided the organization through its infancy, and fought battles on behalf of the lake to help preserve its clean water. Pam's primary belief was that education is tantamount in achieving and maintaining water quality.

Eligibility:

The eligible recipient shall be a full-time matriculated returning undergraduate student majoring in environmental science and policy, environmental biology, or environmental planning, or a graduate student who is a declared major in Environmental Science and Policy and has or intends to take classes related to freshwater ecology.

Application Process:

Recipients shall be selected by PSU's Center for the Environment. Each year, the Center advertises the availability of the Marrapese Scholarship. The award will average \$900-\$1,000. The scholarship will be awarded to a student to cover a graduate stipend, tuition, or research expenses.

To apply, students shall submit a proposal of no more than two pages that includes the following:

1. Student name and faculty advisor;
2. Student's current state of residency;
3. A description of the student's proposed graduate thesis or project topic, the research questions or project goals that will be addressed, and how the work meets the purpose of the scholarship;
4. Proposed timeline to complete MS degree;
5. A budget that specifically explains how you will use the Marrapese Scholarship to support your graduate work.

Applications are due **April 1**. Please e-mail applications to Dr. Joseph N. Boyer, Director of the Center for the Environment, (jnboyer@plymouth.edu). If you have any questions, please call 603-535-2926.

Criteria for Selection:

The award is made upon consideration of the applicant's academic achievement, environmental involvement, community and/ or campus activities, honors, and employment background. Applications will be judged on the following criteria, with preference given to New Hampshire residents:

1. Does the student's interest and work focus on urban, regional, community, or environmental planning and/or geography?
2. Is the student's work based in New Hampshire and does it address an issue relevant to New Hampshire?
3. Is the student's work consistent with the mission of the Center for the Environment?
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4. Does the proposal present a clear description of the work to be done and distinctly describe research questions and/or project goals?
5. Are the proposed budget and timeline realistic?