DATE: February 27, 2019

SUBJECT: Norma and Jerol Sonosky Environmental Sustainability Fellowship

Dear USC Community;

The USC Wrigley Institute for Environmental Studies is pleased to announce the 2019 Norma and Jerol Sonosky Summer Fellowship with funding to support Ph.D. research in environmental sustainability. Proposals are invited from Ph.D. students in any discipline registered in full-time studies within a USC Dornsife department or program.

Topics may include, but are not exclusive to: human dynamics in and impacts upon natural systems, sustainable use of environmental resources, and alternative energy or renewables research. Promoting such themes is central to the mission of the USC Wrigley Institute, which strives to advance frontier research and education to address the world's most pressing environmental challenges.

FELLOWSHIP GUIDELINES:

Duration: Fellows will complete their work during the 2019 USC Summer Semester (May 15, 2019 to September 6, 2019)

Funding: Fellows will receive two (2) months of summer salary at $3,333.33 per month, for a total of $6,666.66 from the USC Wrigley Institute. Applicants are required to demonstrate that one (1) additional month of equivalent summer salary will be provided by a faculty advisor for a total of 3 months of summer stipend, amounting to $9,999.99. Fellows must receive this funding during the summer semester; students with full summer support from other sources will not be considered.

Activities: The purpose of the Fellowship is to enhance graduate student research towards attaining a Ph.D. degree in environmental sustainability themes. Students will spend the summer conducting independent research related to their graduate degree, under supervision of each student’s faculty advisor.

Fellows will be expected to contribute minor time to the Wrigley Institute’s summer education, public outreach, or professional development activities as appropriate. Example activities include presentation of their research to school groups or visitors, or serving on grad student Q&A panels. Each Fellow will also be required to contribute one entry to the online Wrigley Institute Student Research Blog.
Close-Out: Upon completion of the fellowship, each Fellow will be required to submit a two (2) page summary report on their summer research activities and accomplishments. Fellows will also present a 10-minute research talk at the Wrigley Institute Graduate Research Symposium, to be held in Fall 2019.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are due by 5:00pm on Wednesday, March 27, 2019.

To apply, please submit the following materials to Jessica Dutton (jmdutton@usc.edu), Special Projects Director at the USC Wrigley Institute:

- Research proposal (3 pages max). Please include:
  - Abstract, summarizing the project
  - Research Goals, written for a general science audience
  - Broader Impacts, describing the significance of your project to society
  - Identification of a faculty advisor
  - Statement of any additional Summer 2019 funding sources and any extended travel away from USC that will occur during the Fellowship period. (Note: Students MUST disclose all other funding during the application process. Students with full summer funding will not be considered.)

- A short bio (200 words max.) and a headshot photo

- Letter of support from faculty advisor; may be sent separately by deadline. This letter must also confirm that one month of summer salary will be provided by the advisor, to complement the two months of Fellowship funding if awarded.

Applications will be reviewed by a Wrigley Institute Fellowship Selection Committee. This fellowship is funded by the generous support of Norma and Jerol Sonosky, in partnership with the USC Wrigley Institute for Environmental Studies.

Best Regards,

Dr. John Heidelberg
Interim Director
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Dr. Jessica Dutton
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