DATE: January 28, 2020

SUBJECT: Norma and Jerol Sonosky Environmental Sustainability Fellowship

Dear USC Community;

The USC Wrigley Institute for Environmental Studies is pleased to announce the 2020 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: studies of human dynamics in and direct/indirect 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:

Funding: Fellows will receive $6,000.00 in summer stipend. Recipients may not receive other departmental summer support concurrent with this award.

Activities: The purpose of the Fellowship is to enhance graduate student research towards attaining a Ph.D. degree in environmental and 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 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 2020.
APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are due by 5:00pm on Wednesday, March 11, 2020.

To apply, please submit the following materials to Jessica Dutton (jmdutton@usc.edu) 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 2020 funding sources (i.e. stipends, fellowships, TA-ships), and any extended travel away from USC that will occur during the fellowship period.

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

- Letter of support from faculty advisor; may be sent separately by deadline

Applications will be reviewed by a Wrigley Institute Fellowship Selection Committee. Please send any questions to Jessica Dutton (jmdutton@usc.edu). 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,

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