



\$1,000 GRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT WISCONSIN CHAPTER OF THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY 2018 ALDO LEOPOLD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The purpose of the WCTWS Aldo Leopold Memorial Scholarship is to provide support and recognition for wildlife researchers/managers who are continuing their professional training, and in so doing, honor the memory of Aldo Leopold. This \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a **graduate student** who has made a commitment to the wildlife profession, has successfully completed initial stages of their formal education, and who has shown exceptional commitment to developing themselves professionally. **Graduate students** at any of Wisconsin's accredited colleges or universities are eligible to apply for the scholarship.

The criteria for awarding the scholarship are as follows:

Applicant should ---

- a) be currently enrolled at a college or university within Wisconsin;
- b) be majoring in wildlife management or ecology, zoology, biology or related area with the goal of pursuing a career in wildlife ecology (research, management, etc.)
- c) have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 (4.0 maximum).

To apply, students must submit the following information, postmarked no later than **January 1, 2018** to:

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Application Materials:

Electronic submission of all documents is highly preferred (documents may be scanned)

- 1) A letter of application including a statement of professional goals and philosophy, and a summary of experiences or activities that relate to and show a commitment to wildlife conservation.
- 2) An official copy of college or university transcripts.
- 3) Two letters of recommendation from people familiar with your academic ability, and commitment to the wildlife profession.

Applicants will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- a) A demonstrated desire to pursue a career in wildlife ecology;
- b) Demonstrated academic ability;
- c) Evidence from student's application letters of support that demonstrate a serious commitment to the wildlife profession (types of extracurricular activities, volunteer activities, jobs, etc.)

NOTE: This scholarship award will be presented to the successful recipient on Monday, January 29 at the TWS Business meeting during the 2018 Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference - to be held at the Hilton Milwaukee City Center Hotel, Milwaukee, WI, January 28-31, 2018. Application announcement also available on the Wisconsin Chapter of The Wildlife Society website: <http://wildlife.org/wisconsin/>