

The Wildlife Society Pennsylvania Chapter

Northeast Section of TWS Field Course Scholarship

The Pennsylvania State Chapter of The Wildlife Society will award one, \$950 scholarship per calendar year to an undergraduate student to attend the Northeast Section of TWS Summer Field Course: Field Techniques and Current Topics in Wildlife Biology.

The course provides students with practical, hands-on training in the tools and techniques of field biology and allow them to apply those skills in a variety of exercises. Students will be instructed by practicing biologists from across the region.

Minimum eligibility:

To be eligible for this award you must be an **undergraduate** student *currently registered* at a Pennsylvania university or college, and must register to attend the current calendar year's Field Course.

Applicants will be evaluated based on involvement in The Wildlife Society (through student chapters, attending TWS conferences, or related activities that can be documented), academic achievements (with emphasis placed on wildlife-related course work), and potential benefits from attending the camp. Priority will be given to applicants from schools with approved student chapters. If suitable applications are not received from the four student chapters, applications from all other schools will be evaluated.

Recipients of the award must attend the current calendar year's field course or forfeit the scholarship money. Recipients must write a summary of their experience at the field course for the Fall edition of the current year's PA-TWS chapter newsletter.

Applications must include the following items to be considered:

- 1. **Resume**: including education, major, GPA, involvement in TWS, and any related experiences
- 2. Transcript: Official or unofficial
- 3. **Essay**: limited to **500 words**, answering the question "How will this course benefit you?" Please include how this course will fill any gaps you have in your education and how it will help you in achieving your goals in the wildlife profession.
- 4. **TWS information (if applicable):** Does your school have a student chapter of The Wildlife Society? Are you a member? If you are a member, please describe your involvement in the chapter. Also, please provide contact information for the student chapter faculty advisor so that we may confirm this information. You will not be penalized if your school does not have a student chapter, but students that participate in TWS activities will rank higher.

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All application materials must be emailed by January 15th to: PAChapterTWS@gmail.com

Please include "TWS Field Course Scholarship" in the subject line of the email.

All submissions must include a phone number (with area code) for the winner to be notified. Finalists may be interviewed by telephone.

The recipient will be notified by February 1st and invited to attend the PA TWS banquet at the annual conference for the formal scholarship award.

For more information on the Student Field Course including a syllabus and field course registration form, please visit the Northeast Section TWS website http://wildlife.org/ne-section/

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