IMarEST Whalefish Marine Conservation Course Bursary

Criteria

The IMarEST provides 5 bursaries per year to fund places on the Whalefish Marine Conservation Course, held on the Isle of Cumbrae (1hr 30min from Glasgow) over the summer. The dates for 2018 are the 10–12th August. The bursary is targeted at IMarEST student members studying marine and/or environmental sciences. The course provides an introduction to marine megafauna research techniques, acoustic and photo ID technology/research, human impact on the marine environment and conservation issues, alongside an opportunity to meet marine biological professionals, researchers and consultants, to network and further enhance CV development. The course is recognised by the IMarEST as contributing to CPD.

To apply an individual must be:
- Current IMarEST Student (SIMarEST)* member

Application Requirements

The application requires:
- Contact details
- Personal Statement: Description of why the applicant feels they would benefit from attending the course
- Contact details for a referee who is willing to provide a written statement in support of your application

Submission Deadline

The deadline for submissions is the end of June.

Award

Each bursary is funded at £100 (GBP). The successful applicants will have to contribute the remaining £150 (GBP) for the course themselves. This will also cover food and accommodation.
Judging

All applications will be reviewed by Whalefish and Neil Dorrian (Whalefish founder), with a recommendation to be made to the IMarEST Professional Affairs and Education Committee (PAEC), who will make a final decision on the recommendations.

Rules of the Award

- The judging panel will consider all properly submitted nominations and any materials supplied in support of them.
- Materials submitted in support of any nomination will be accepted on the condition that:
  - The IMarEST may disclose the names of the winner;
  - The applicant agrees that disclosure of material submitted in support of the application does not breach the terms of any contract of employment or any other contract, and that there is entitlement to make use of the material

FAQs

When will I receive a response to my application?
We aim to respond to applicants within 21 days of receipt of application.

When will I receive the funding, if my application is successful?
Whalefish will be notified of the successful applicants, who will then be charged a reduced rate for the course.

Will I be expected to do anything else after I have received a grant? If your project is ultimately funded, the IMarEST will ask you to promote the support you have received via social media, blogs and other media as appropriate.

I have another question that is not answered here. Who can I contact? If you have any other queries, please email awards@imarest.org or Tel +44 (0)20 7382 2600

* Student membership is free to all undergraduate and postgraduate students, all cadets and apprentices for the duration of full time studies/cadetship/apprenticeship and can be applied for at www.imarest.org/students