



Marine Stewardship Council Scholarship Research Program Information Guidance for Applicants

Background

The Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) runs an exciting and ambitious program, working with partners to transform the world's seafood markets and promote sustainable fishing practices.

Our credible standards for sustainable fishing and seafood traceability seek to increase the availability of certified sustainable seafood and our distinctive blue ecolabel makes it easy for everyone to take part.

Our vision is of the world's oceans teeming with life, and seafood supplies safeguarded for this and future generations.

Our mission is to use our ecolabel and fishery certification program to contribute to the health of the world's oceans by recognising and rewarding sustainable fishing practices, influencing the choices people make when buying seafood, and working with our partners to transform the seafood market to a sustainable basis.

You can find out more about the work of the MSC here: www.msc.org

Framework

One (or more) travel and study scholarship will be made available annually by the MSC for unrestricted research on global fisheries and seafood supply chain management.

Qualifying projects will:

Have the objective of studying some aspect of impact, improvement, performance or best practice in fisheries management and or seafood supply chain management. This may be direct study of one particular fishery or comparative study of fisheries problems or management. Direct linkage to a fishery certified or wishing to become certified by the MSC is not a requirement, although this is an additional point of interest for the MSC.

Objective

To support the study of the problems, solutions and performance of best practice in fisheries management and seafood product supply chain management.



Scope

Travel and project support up to a limit of £4000. In exceptional circumstances more may be granted.

Eligibility

Qualifying proposals shall be from undergraduate or postgraduate students worldwide.

Requirements

The project must be completed within 12 months from the start date stated on the application form. The final report and project summary document must be submitted within 15 months from the start date stated on the application form.

Application procedure

Application form to be completed and returned via email to **Lucy Erickson**, MSC Science Communications Manager: Scholarship@msc.org

Evaluation

All applications will be initially assessed on comparable scoring criteria. A maximum of five applications of the highest scoring applications will then be submitted for evaluation by the MSC scholarship research award review panel. The MSC Director of Science & Standards reserves the right for final decision of the scholarship award.

Your application will be acknowledged with 1 week of the closing date. If you do not hear back from the MSC within that time, you should contact us immediately.

All applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application within 6 weeks of the closing date.

Further questions

Please email any further questions to: lucy.erickson@msc.org