

THE FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY RICHARD FANNING MARINE STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This scholarship honors the memory of Richard Fanning, an advocate for educational opportunity, an avid flyfisher and a good friend, whose companionship, advice, and leadership, both on and off the stream, will long be remembered. The Fly Fishers Club of Orange County was founded in 1966 to further the sport of Fly Fishing. In addition to being a way to meet others who enjoy the sport, there were three goals in mind when the club was founded:

- *Educating the public,*
- *Conserving the fisheries, and*
- *Contributing resources to make fly fishing enjoyable and available to all who are interested.*

The club has been working hard to meet its goals by sponsoring clinics and workshops, hosting noteworthy speakers, participating in conservation projects, and contributing its resources to various conservation organizations such as the Federation of Fly Fishers and (FFF), Trout Unlimited (TU), Cal Trout, and the Nature Conservancy. In addition, the club contributes to numerous other conservation activities directly beneficial to fly fishing. The club has made annual scholarships available to CSU students who are studying marine sciences.

- Two (2) \$3,000 scholarships will be awarded for the 2023-2024 academic year.
- Campuses may nominate up to two students who meets the following scholarship criteria.

Applicants must:

- Be in good standing with a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Demonstrate financial need as determined by the campus Financial Aid Office
- Be currently enrolled as a full-time equivalent undergraduate student in marine-related studies at a CSU campus and must remain a full-time equivalent CSU student during the academic year
- Or must be currently enrolled as a part-time equivalent graduate student in marine-related studies at a CSU campus and must remain a part-time equivalent CSU graduate student during the academic year
- Demonstrate a commitment to community service in the fisheries biology field.

Applications are available through the campus Financial Aid Office.

The Financial Aid Office will review applications to ensure that they meet all stated requirements. The campus may submit two (2) applicants for consideration to the CSU Foundation. Completed applications submitted by the campus Financial Aid Office to the CSU Foundation must include the following:

Personal Statement (300 word count for each):

1. What experience has impacted your personal growth?
2. Tell us about a time you failed. What did you learn from that experience?
3. Why are you pursuing your major? How does it relate to your career aspirations?
4. Provide an example of service beyond the classroom (i.e., have you taken on significant family obligations, helped others in a specific way, been involved in political action, worked/volunteered/interned at a particular organization, etc.). Why is this example significant to you?

Supplemental Question (300 word count):

5. Share your commitment to community service in the fisheries biology field.

Thank you note - Prior to fund distribution, the selected scholarship recipients are required to provide a letter addressed to: President, Fly Fishers Club of Orange County offering thanks for the award if selected. Recipients must also send the club email updates at the end of each semester/quarter.