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 an annual scholarship available to a CSU student who is studying marine sciences.

One (1) $3,000 scholarship will be awarded for the 2021-2022 academic year. Campuses may nominate one student who meets the 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 or graduate student in a marine-related studies at a CSU campuses and must remain a full-time equivalent CSU student during the academic year.
- Have 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 one (1) applicant for consideration to the CSU Foundation to make the final selection. Completed applications submitted by the campus Financial Aid Office to the CSU Foundation must include the following:

- Scholarship Applicant Information form
- A brief Personal Statement describing their background, challenges they have encountered, personal achievements, educational pursuits and goals and aspirations for the future, and 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.
- A completed Application Checklist

Contact the Financial Aid Department for the Spring Application Deadline.
**APPLICATION CHECKLIST**
(Please make sure that all items are completed and verified before the application packet is submitted to the CSU Foundation)

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Each application and checklist must be attached as one PDF and e-mailed to the campus Financial Aid Department.

Please do not send physical files.

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Application form needs to be completely filled out. Do not leave any line blank. If there is no information to provide, write “N/A”. Each item submitted with the application packet (i.e., “Academic Profile,” “Personal Statement,” “Biography,” etc.) should be clearly labeled.