

**The Algae Foundation Announces
Algae Biomass Summit 2020 Mary Rosenthal Memorial Student Grants**

The Algae Foundation is pleased to announce that it is offering grants to attend the 14th Annual Algae Biomass Summit to be held virtually, from August 12-September 30, 2020.

Purpose – To encourage attendance by students/postdocs at the Algae Biomass Summit (ABS) 2020 and to provide opportunities for the awardees to get the maximum value possible out of the experience.

Award – Each Algae Foundation Student Travel Grant Awardee will receive:

- A grant to cover the cost of registration at ABS 2020 (worth approximately \$300)
- An opportunity to attend a follow up video call with members of the Algae Foundation Board of Directors and Industry Partners to answer your questions and help with future networking
- A “Mary Rosenthal Memorial Student Grant Awardee” certificate

Eligibility – to qualify for consideration the student must:

- Be an ABO Member;
- Be a high school, undergraduate, graduate student or pre-doctoral student **OR**
- Be a PhD with a post-doctoral appointment currently involved in a full-time academic research program for no longer than 2 years.
- Submit an abstract and be selected to present a poster or oral presentation at ABS 2020.
- Provide a current letter of recommendation for ABS 2020 (See below.)
- Provide a photo to display award winners on the Algae Foundation website
- Be willing to write a short blog (200-500 words) based on some aspect of the attendance at the virtual summit for posting on the Algae Foundation website.
- Consider providing a copy of poster or slides for posting on the Algae Foundation website.

Selection Criteria:

- The relevance and scientific quality of the submitted abstract
- The student has not received a similar travel grant award in the last two years
- Only one travel grant per laboratory

The applicant must submit a letter of recommendation from a teacher, faculty member or department head on official letterhead including the following information:

- The letter must state that the student is expected to be active in the training or degree program at the time of the meeting, or, if the student has completed their terminal degree, the date of completion.

All applications and materials should be sent to:

- Marissa Nalley, Algae Foundation Director of Programs and Operations
- Email: mnalley@thealgaefoundation.org

Student Travel Grant Application deadline is Monday July 6, 2020.

Selection Process – Selection is made by the Algae Foundation Travel Grant Selection Committee. The awards are highly competitive. If a grant recipient cannot present the accepted abstract, the recipient **MUST** notify the Algae Foundation as soon as possible. The grant will be rescinded and award to an alternate.

Award Notification: Awardees will be notified by **Monday July 27, 2020.**