

## TMCA SCHOLARSHIPS Academic Year - 2022-2023

### INTRODUCTION

Each year the TMCA Board of Directors awards scholarships to both undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in a Texas higher education institution and who are conducting research in any field related to arthropod vectors: vector control, vector-pathogen interactions, vector ecology, vector behavior, or vector-borne disease transmission, just to name a few. The purpose of these scholarships is to help support students as they embark on or continue their vector related research.

### SCHOLARSHIPS SUMMARY

- There is 1 undergraduate scholarship:
  - **James D. Long Undergraduate Scholarship - \$1000**
- There are 2 graduate scholarships:
  - **Jimmy K. Olson Memorial Scholarship - \$1000**
  - **James “Gus” Foyle Memorial Scholarship - \$1000**
- Scholarships will be awarded at the TMCA Annual Meeting: October 25-27, 2022 (see TMCA website) – students who have applied must attend.
- Awardees should plan to return the following year to present a paper based on their research at the TMCA Annual Fall Meeting
  - **Reasonable travel, lodging, and registration for this meeting will be reimbursed**
  - Reimbursement of these expenditures will be subject to approval by the Chair of the Scholarship and Awards Committee.

### DUE DATE FOR APPLICATION

Applications are due **FRIDAY OCTOBER 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – 5:00pm**

Application Form:

<https://forms.gle/uGxJPvtv73b8D8iD9>



Additional application materials should be sent to:

Dr. Megan Wise de Valdez, Chair  
TMCA Scholarship and Awards Committee  
[mwisedev@tamusa.edu](mailto:mwisedev@tamusa.edu)



## SCHOLARSHIPS & REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS

### ***UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP***

The **James D. Long Undergraduate Scholarship**, in the amount of \$1,000, is awarded each year to one qualified undergraduate student attending college or university in the state of Texas. The participating student agrees to spend at least one long semester (or the summer) during the academic year conducting research related to arthropod vectors. A participating faculty member agrees to mentor and train the student in the laboratory and field. Individual research experiences should be designed in a close collaboration between the undergraduate student and the faculty sponsor before the application is submitted

#### **Application Materials for Undergraduate Scholarships:**

- A completed application form - <https://forms.gle/uGxJPvtv73b8D8iD9>
- Research proposal - 500 words
- Letter of recommendation from the faculty research mentor
- Letter of recommendation from faculty member other than mentor.

**Note:** Both letters of recommendations should be sent directly from the faculty members as a signed pdf documents on letter head to chair of scholarship committee at [mwisedev@tamusa.edu](mailto:mwisedev@tamusa.edu)

### ***GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS***

The **Jimmy K. Olson Memorial Scholarship**, in the amount of \$1,000, is awarded to one qualified graduate student who is conducting research in conjunction with an organized mosquito control organization. The award is named after Dr. Jimmy Olson who was a long-time member of the Association and an ardent supporter of its goals. The recipient must be enrolled in a college or university in Texas at the time the scholarship is awarded.

The **James “Gus” Foyle Memorial Scholarship**, in the amount of \$1,000, is awarded to one qualified graduate student each year to promote and encourage research relating to mosquito control. The award is named after Mr. Gus Foyle who was a charter member of the Association and an ardent supporter of its goals. The recipient must be enrolled in a college or university in Texas at the time the scholarship is awarded. The recipient must be engaged in research with mosquitoes, insects, or related disease transmission.

#### **Application Materials for Graduate Scholarships:**

- A completed application form - <https://forms.gle/uGxJPvtv73b8D8iD9>
- Curriculum Vitae (resume)
- Research proposal – 750 words
- Letter of recommendation from the faculty advisor
- Letter of recommendation from graduate faculty member other than mentor.

**Note:** Both letters of recommendations should be sent directly from the faculty members as a signed pdf documents on letter head to chair of scholarship committee at [mwisedev@tamusa.edu](mailto:mwisedev@tamusa.edu)