What: The University of Oklahoma Biological Station (UOBS) anticipates offering graduate fellowships of $2,500 for summer research conducted at our Biological Station during 2016. Housing accommodations at UOBS are provided. Fellows are responsible for food and any other living expenses.

Eligibility: (1) Awardees must be enrolled in a research-based MS or PhD graduate program at an accredited college or university, and must be supervised by a faculty mentor or advisor during the project period. (2) Proposed research must involve work conducted at UOBS.

Research Topics: Research may focus on field or laboratory studies involving natural ecological systems, including studies of natural history, evolution, ecology, population biology, genetics of natural populations, and other biological or environmental topics.

Where: Research must be conducted at the University of Oklahoma Biological Station. After receiving notification of an award, awardees will be asked to complete and submit a Research Reservation Request form available on our website or by contacting Deanna Cathey, dcathey@ou.edu, (405) 325-7431.

Application Guidelines:

1. Complete, sign, and submit the UOBS Graduate Summer Research Fellowship Application Form.

2. Prepare and submit a narrative proposal describing the research project. The proposal should include (a) conceptual questions addressed in the proposed research, (b) relevant background and introductory information, (c) description of proposed research and analyses, (d) statement describing which portions of the proposed research will be conducted at the University of Oklahoma Biological Station, and (e) description of research space and equipment needs at the Biological Station.

3. The proposal narrative is limited to a maximum of 3 pages, including any figures or tables. One additional page containing literature cited may be added.

4. Submit all application materials electronically if possible (pdf format preferred) to Gary Wellborn, UOBS Director (gwellborn@ou.edu). The UOBS Graduate Fellowship Committee will evaluate proposals and determine recipients.

Additional Information:

1. Research on vertebrate animals will require approval of the University of Oklahoma Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee before research can begin. Information is available at http://iacuc.ou.edu/. Students with IACUC approval from another institution should contact Gary Wellborn (gwellborn@ou.edu) to coordinate approval for work at UOBS.

2. For questions related to the graduate fellowships, research facilities, equipment available at UOBS, and other matters please contact Gary Wellborn (gwellborn@ou.edu; (405) 325-1421; Cell: (405) 996-0826).

3. Successful applicants will be required to submit a final (1-2 page) report to the UOBS Director upon completion of the project. We also ask that awardees acknowledge the University of Oklahoma Biological Station in publications resulting from this fellowship program, and that reprints be forwarded to the Director for addition to the UOBS library collection.

Proposal Due Date: February 15, 2016

Award Notification Target Date: March 1, 2016
UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA
BIOLOGICAL STATION
Graduate Summer Research Fellowship Application Form

Please submit this application and proposal to Gary Wellborn, Director, 730 Van Vleet Oval, Norman, OK 73019-6121; Location: 208 Sutton Hall; phone (405) 325-1421; E-mail: gwellborn@ou.edu

Name: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
Sooner ID (if OU student): _________________ E-mail address: ___________________________
Department: __________________________ Institution: ___________________________
Mailing Address: ________________________________________________________________
Phone (include area code): ___________________________
Current Graduate GPA: ___________________________
Anticipated Graduation Date: _________________ Type of Degree (M.S., Ph.D.): _________________

Please list other sources of Summer 2016 funding that you have secured, applied for, or for which you intend to apply:

Submit a research proposal:
In addition to this application form, applicants must submit a research proposal following instructions described in Application Guidelines.

Faculty Mentor’s Name: ___________________________
Faculty Mentor’s Signature ___________________________ Date _________________

ACCEPTANCE STATEMENT
I understand that acceptance of the University of Oklahoma Biological Station award is based on the condition that I submit a final (1-2 page) written report of my research to the Director of UOBS, as well as reprints of publications resulting from this fellowship support.

Applicant’s Signature ___________________________ Date _________________