

YOUNG PROFESSIONAL TRAVEL AWARD

The Education Section of the American Fisheries Society is currently accepting applications for the Young Professional Travel Award for the 2012 Annual Meeting of the American Fisheries Society in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Young Professional Travel Award was established to promote attendance of young professionals at the Annual Meeting who have made substantial contributions to the field through continued education, outreach, and AFS service. The award provides up to \$1000 in travel support and a 1-year membership to AFS. Preference will be given to individuals presenting at the meeting, those involved in continuing education or outreach, and those in need of financial assistance for travel. All young professional members (within 3 years of graduation), including agency biologists, postdoctoral associates, and faculty are encouraged to apply. The award winner will be required to attend the Education Section business meeting (late afternoon; Sunday, August 19th) to receive the award and contribute to the Section's winter 2013 newsletter.

The application should consist of the following:

1. Letter of interest
 - a. Statement of service to the Society, Sections, Divisions, or Chapters and why you want to attend the meeting
 - b. Statement of continued education effort and outreach
 - c. Statement of financial need
 - d. Statement of career goals
2. Current resume, degree/s, list of publications, honors and awards, and presentations
3. Title and abstract of the contributed paper(s) or poster(s) being presented at the annual meeting

Applications should be submitted in electronic format (PDF or Word) to Jesse Fischer fischer@iastate.edu and must be received by **May 31st, 2012**. The recipient will be notified by June 15th, 2012.