GCAGS FACULTY GRANT PROGRAM
2021 GUIDELINES

Program Description

The Gulf Coast Association of Geological Societies is sponsoring a Faculty Grant Program pursuing research in the Gulf Coast region of the United States. In 2021, the GCAGS plans to award one faculty grant of up to $5,000. Research projects concerning any of the following fields of study related to the Gulf Coast region are eligible to be considered for a grant: geology, geophysics, energy and mineral resources, geohydrology, environmental geology, and paleontology. Also eligible are general geosciences topics with direct, well-explained application to the Gulf Coast region.

Procedure for Applicants

A five-page proposal outlining the research project and typewritten in English is required. The proposal is to be accompanied by a one-page budget and an estimate of expenses to be incurred while conducting the research. A timetable complete with milestones must be included with the proposal package. Requests for support should not exceed $5,000 although the itemized budget for the research project may indicate a greater expenditure. Each proposal should clearly describe how the research project relates to an aspect of Gulf Coast geology. All application documents are to be submitted electronically via email to Brian F. Platt, Chairman, GCAGS Faculty Grant Committee no later than February 15, 2021.

Procedure for Review of Project Proposals

After the submittal deadline of February 15, 2021, the GCAGS Faculty Grant Committee will review the proposals. Applicants will be informed of the committee’s decisions following approval by the GCAGS Board of Directors at its spring meeting. Award decisions will be based on the proposal's originality, application of geologic principles, presentation, and relevance to Gulf Coast geology and the qualifications of the applicant.

Awardee's Responsibilities / Publication / Presentation

Awardee receiving support must submit an abstract and present a poster or talk on the funded research at an upcoming GCAGS GeoGulf meeting, accompanied by submission of an extended abstract or technical paper for publication in GCAGS Transactions or the GCAGS Journal. The abstract should be submitted for review and consideration (as defined by the guidelines and deadlines for each convention) no later than one year following receipt of the award. Papers submitted by grant awardees will follow the same review process as other papers processed for the technical sessions. A submission does not obligate the GCAGS to accept the paper for presentation at the Annual Convention or for publication in the GCAGS Transactions or the GCAGS Journal.

Submit all application materials electronically via email by February 15, 2021 to:

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