



**SWS Multicultural Mentoring Program
(SWaMMP)
Attend the SWS 2021 Annual Meeting
June 1-4, 2021
Spokane, WA**

Undergraduate students from underrepresented groups are invited to apply for SWS Multicultural Mentoring Program (SWaMMP). Recipients will receive full travel benefits and opportunities for career mentoring, presented by the Society of Wetland Scientists at the 2021 Annual Meeting, June 1-4, 2021, in Spokane, WA.

The SWS Multicultural Mentoring Program was created to increase diversity in the Society and the field of wetland science. Students with an interest in wetland sciences, ecology, coastal marine sciences, environmental sciences and related fields are encouraged to apply. The Annual Meetings offer students valuable career mentoring and exposure to career options in the wetland sciences. In addition to attending paper presentations and general meeting events, the students will participate in special activities organized for their benefit throughout the week. The SWS awards are supported by the National Science Foundation, SWS Chapters and the SWS Human Diversity Committee.

Students are encouraged to send an email to Vanessa Lougheed (vlougheed@utep.edu) indicating their interest in the program prior to submitting the online application. Please type all requested information in the spaces provided. Electronic submission of applications and academic transcripts must be sent via email to vlougheed@utep.edu. If you do not have the appropriate version of Adobe Acrobat and are unable to electronically save your information within this form, please enter the appropriate text, print it and scan it as a PDF file. The application deadline is **November 1, 2019**. Inquiries should be directed to:

Dr. Vanessa L. Lougheed
University of Texas at El Paso
Department of Biological Sciences
El Paso, TX, 79902
vlougheed@utep.edu

Please note the following eligibility requirements:

- ▶ Participants must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States or its possessions and be undergraduate students enrolled in a degree program (part-time or full-time), leading to a baccalaureate or associate degree. Spring 2021 graduates are eligible; Fall 2020 graduates are not.

- ▶ For the purposes of these awards, applicants must belong to one or more of the following groups that have traditionally been underrepresented in wetland sciences: Black/African Americans, Hispanics/Latinos, Native Americans, Indigenous Alaskans, Native Pacific Islanders (Hawaiian/Polynesian/Micronesian).

▶ CONTACT INFORMATION

Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Email: _____ Alternate Email: _____

Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

Current Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province _____ Postal code: _____

Permanent Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province _____ Postal code: _____

► **DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

Gender: _____
(please write your answer above)

Are you a U.S. citizen?

- Yes
- No

Are you a permanent resident with an alien registration card?

- Yes *(If yes, please send a PDF of this card with your application. Individuals on temporary or student visas are not eligible.)*
- No

Race/Ethnicity (please check all that apply):

- Black/African American
- Hispanic/Latino
- Native American/Alaskan Native
- Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander *(does not include Philippines or Indonesia)*

► **ACADEMIC INFORMATION** *(Please submit an up-to-date transcript from your present academic institution. An unofficial copy in PDF format is acceptable.)*

Academic Institution: _____ Major: _____

Year/Semester of Expected Graduation: _____

Year in school:

- Freshman
- Sophomore
- Junior
- Senior

GPA: _____

Is this based on a 4.0 system?

- Yes
- No

► **TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF**

Please type all requested information in the space provided. Please read all questions before you start to prevent overlap among responses.

Please provide a statement of your long-term research interests and career goals. A wide range of interest areas are appropriate. Because SWS is a multidisciplinary group, research, policy or consulting are equally valuable career paths.

How do you see the field of wetland sciences being a part of your immediate or long-term career plans?

Explain how your participation will meet the SWS mission of increasing diversity in wetland sciences and describe your personal involvement with underrepresented communities

Please list any professional/scientific meetings you have attended.

Please list any honors or awards you have received.

Please list any publications you might have.

Please list any paid or volunteer experiences, related to your interest in ecology, wetlands or related sciences.

