



Funding Opportunity for Graduate Students and Post-Doctoral Researchers Affiliated with UCOWR/NIWR/CUAHSI Member Universities Deadline January 31, 2014

For the first time, the three national (and only) university community organizations with a focus on water resources, *Universities Council on Water Resources* – UCOWR, *National Institutes for Water Resources* – NIWR, and the *Consortium of Universities for the Advancement of Hydrologic Science* – CUAHSI, are holding a joint conference on Water Systems, Science, and Society Under Global Climate Change - <http://ucowr.org/conferences>. The conference will be held June 18 – 20, 2014 at Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts. The conference will provide opportunities for professional networking through formal activities (e.g., plenary sessions, panel discussions and breakout groups, and the oral/poster presentation sessions), and informal activities (ample time for interaction with other scientists during breaks, meals, and social activities). There will be a suite of awards for best presentations by graduate students and post-doctoral researchers, and we have planned a special session to facilitate sharing of ideas and networking. We have raised support from several sponsors to enable us to provide some matching financial support for graduate students and post-doc researchers to participate in this conference. ***Note that this is the first time such a conference is to be held on a university campus. This is important to young researchers researchers, because there will be very low cost on-campus dormitory housing available for all conference participants located only a five minute walk from the conference venue.***

Application for Funding: Partial support for registration, travel and dormitory lodging (\$300-\$500) will be provided for graduate students and post-doctoral researchers who meet the following conditions:

1. Graduate students and post-doc researchers must submit an abstract of their proposed poster or oral presentation to the conference website <http://ucowr.org/conferences/2014-conference> **no later than January 31, 2014.**
2. Preference will be given to students and post-doctoral researchers who have a faculty sponsor who will both sponsor their application and commit to attending the conference. When submitting your abstract, mention the name of your sponsoring faculty member (when you are prompted to provide “Additional Notes or Details About Authors”). Your faculty sponsor must either submit an abstract to the conference or send an email to Laura Germann ucowr@siu.edu confirming their attendance at the conference. This commits the faculty sponsor to register for the conference at the rate listed below.
3. Preference will be given to applicants who receive matching funding from their university, school, department or other source. The amount of matching funding and sources should be provided when prompted to provide “Additional Notes or Details About Authors”.
4. Preference will be given in amounts which are inversely proportional to the support requested, so that a \$300 award is easier to obtain than a \$500 award. Students are requested to state the amount of their travel request in the section “Additional Notes or Details About Authors”.

Full Conference Registration

	By May 16, 2014	After May 16, 2014
Member/Speaker	\$500	\$600
Non-Member	\$600	\$700
Full-Time Student	\$80	\$80

Students will be notified about their travel and registration waiver awards, via email, no later than February 28, 2014.