• **Graduate Scholarships**

  **Carol Gordon Memorial**
  
  o **Description:** The Carol Gordon Memorial Scholarship is awarded in memory of Carol Gordon, who was a fishery science major. The award is $400 per year and is paid at the beginning of the fall semester.
  
  o **Qualifications:** The award is reserved for sophomore, junior, senior or graduate students who have at least a 3.0 grade point average, and are residents of New Mexico.
  
  o **Selection:** Preference will be given to a fishery sciences applicant.

  **Doña Ana County Associated Sportsmen**
  
  o **Description:** This scholarship is donated from the Hubert Esterbrook Memorial Fund and administered by the Doña Ana County Associated Sportsmen. The scholarship will be awarded in variable semester increments of at least $500.00 to be applied to the cost of tuition, books, research needs, etc. Recipients of the scholarship are eligible to compete for a second award by reapplying for the next year.
  
  o **Qualifications:** Student must:
    • be a U.S. citizen
    • be a graduate student on thesis program (Plan A) in the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Ecology, NMSU, Las Cruces
    • have completed at least 9 graduate credit hours prior to receiving the first semester’s award
    • demonstrate financial need. Preferential consideration given to a student who has no other financial help to conduct thesis research
    • display a high degree of professional promise including academic record membership in a professional society, participation in local and state organizations, etc.
    • show intent to work for a state or federal natural resource management agency
  
  Continuation of the scholarship for the second semester is contingent upon the recipient remaining in Graduate School in good academic standing (maintaining a 3.0+ GPA).
  
  o **Selection:** Preferential consideration is given to natives of New Mexico who are residents of Doña Ana County. Applications will be screened by a representative of the department faculty and two members of DACAS. The top applicant(s) will be recommended to the Board of Directors of the Dona Ana County Associated Sportsmen for approval/final selection. Should a qualified applicant from New Mexico not be found, natives of
Western states, and then natives of other states will be considered in order. Selection will be made after considering:

- Financial needs (1/3)
- Professional promise (1/3)
- Timeliness and need of research project

Equal value will be given to each of the three final selection criteria.

Irma Shockley

- **Description:** The New Mexico Wildlife Federation shall make an annual cash gift to the New Mexico State University Foundation, Inc. to be used to provide $500 scholarships for New Mexico State University students enrolled in the College of Agriculture and Home Economics, and pursuing a degree in a field of agriculture. Each award shall be for an academic year. Payment of an awarded scholarship shall be divided equally between the semesters of the academic year. The recipient may elect to take the award in cash, as a credit towards tuition, or in any other manner acceptable to the recipient and the Foundation.

- **Qualifications:** Recipients must be GRADUATE STUDENTS majoring in Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Ecology and having a GPA of 3.5. Financial aid will be considered, but the recipients do not need to be eligible for federal financial aid.

- **Selection:** Final selection will be made by Department of Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Ecology faculty.

John E. Wood

- **Description:** The John E. Wood Memorial Scholarship pays $400-$500 per year, and is presented to the recipient at a banquet held in April.

- **Qualifications:** The scholarship is awarded to a 2nd year GRADUATE STUDENT. The recipient must be a U.S. citizen.

- **Selection:** This award is based on scholarship, need and professional promise.

Ladd S. Gordon Memorial

- **Description:** The Ladd S. Gordon Memorial Scholarship was established in memory of Ladd S. Gordon, a former director of the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish.

- **Qualifications:** This scholarship shall be used to make an annual award of $500 to a GRADUATE STUDENT in the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Ecology.

- **Selection:** Selection will be made by the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish.
Mesilla Valley Fly Fishers

- **Description:** The Mesilla Valley Fly Fishers Scholarship of $500 per year considers professional promise based on participation in professional societies, work experience and volunteer work for governmental agencies and conservation organizations. Please submit a letter stating your interest in fisheries, and past involvement in fisheries improvement, conservation-related activities and organizations. Indicate your goals after graduation as they relate to professional employment.

- **Qualifications:** This scholarship gives preference to students from New Mexico or the El Paso area (length of residency will be considered), and declared Fishery Science majors at NMSU. Applications will be accepted from other majors in biological and natural resource-related fields. Students must be classified as juniors, seniors or graduate students by the time the scholarship is awarded in the Fall semester.

Student must:

- be a U.S. citizen
- have completed a minimum of 60 semester hours with at least 12 hours as resident (or a minimum of 9 hours for graduate students)
- Attach an informal copy of your most recent nmsu transcript with the application

- **Selection:** The Scholarship Committee will consider the following factors in ranking applicants for the MVFF Scholarship:
  - University academic performance with an emphasis on G.P.A. at NMSU (a minimum GPA of 2.5, with preference given to students with a 3.0+)
  - Financial need for the scholarship based on expected financial assistance from all sources