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**Student Research and Education Awards—Call for Proposals Open to UC Santa Cruz Students Through November 15, 2019**

SANTA CRUZ, CA—The Friends of Seymour Center is now accepting applications for the 2019-20 Student Research and Education Awards, a funding opportunity open to UC Santa Cruz undergraduate and graduate students. The deadline for application submission is November 15, 2019.

Each fall, the Friends of Seymour Center, a volunteer support organization affiliated with the Seymour Marine Discovery Center and the Institute of Marine Sciences, hold an open competition for UC Santa Cruz students to encourage research and education projects in the marine sciences.

For student research in marine sciences, all geographic areas of study are considered. For marine science education, projects must be affiliated with the public education program at the Seymour Marine Discovery Center.

Awards are made to both undergraduate students and graduate students (both masters and doctoral). Maximum award is $1,500 for undergraduate student projects and $2,500 for graduate student projects. The deadline to submit proposals is November 15, 2019. Information and guidelines can be found at seymourcenter.ucsc.edu.

Awards are provided from the following funds: Friends of Long Marine Lab Student Support, Jane McHenry Student Award, Ken Norris Marine Mammal Research Award, Lillian McPherson Rouse Award, Mark T. MacMillan Memorial Prize, William Beye Heald Scholarship Fund.

**ABOUT THE SEYMOUR CENTER:** The Seymour Marine Discovery Center is a community-supported marine science education center of the University of California, Santa Cruz, dedicated to educating people about the role scientific research plays in the understanding and conservation of the world’s oceans.

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**INFORMATION:** (831) 459-3800 or seymourcenter.ucsc.edu