

## **DENISE B. EVANS FELLOWSHIP IN OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH, 2019-2020**

### **BACKGROUND:**

By virtue of a very generous gift from the estate of Denise B. Evans, the Hawai'i Institute of Geophysics and Planetology (HIGP) in the School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology (SOEST) has established the Denise B. Evans Fellowships in Oceanographic Research. These awards support outstanding graduate students in many different fields of oceanographic research.

Two awards will be made in the amount of \$28,000/year/award, to be paid as salary to graduate research assistants at UH Mānoa who will be continuing their studies for the period 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020. These award will not fund overload.

For the purpose of this award, "oceanographic research" is considered in very broad terms. Marine geology and geophysics, ocean engineering (e.g., robotics, data systems), physical/chemical/microbial/biological oceanography, analysis of coral reefs, submarine volcanism, tsunamis, modeling of air-sea interactions, ocean wave energy, ocean remote sensing, and marine biology, are all considered to be covered by this opportunity. However, near-shore investigations of hydrologic/sedimentary processes on land, the effects of sea-level rise on land, the geology of Pacific islands, and island meteorology are beyond the scope of this award.

Nominations will be reviewed by the Denise B. Evans Selection Committee, comprised of faculty from SOEST. First and foremost, this Committee will be searching for a student with outstanding research accomplishments who will be studying at Mānoa until at least July 2020. Although education and outreach are valuable aspects of a student's career, it is the research potential that the Committee will consider most important.

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

Students registered in SOEST's instructional departments and ORUs are eligible. Students in the UHM's Marine Biology graduate program are eligible through HIMB. Prior recipients of the Fellowships are eligible for a second year.

### **HOW TO APPLY:**

The student's faculty advisor shall nominate the student by submitting a recommendation (see below for the materials required)) to their SOEST department chair (or director in the case of CMORE, HIMB, HNEI, and HIGP). The chair or director will then forward their three top nominations to the Director of HIGP (see below). No applications submitted directly to HIGP by a student will be accepted. Each nomination will include:

- a) A recommendation from the advisor (two page maximum), describing 1) the research that the student would pursue during the award period (one page), 2) the student's accomplishments to date and 3) the potential impact that the Denise B. Evans award would have on the student's career.
- b) The student's CV, including any publications, conference presentations, ship time, and any other professional activities that are relevant.
- c) Transcript for student since their arrival at UH.

As a reminder, a maximum of three proposals from each organizational unit will be accepted. No prioritization needs to be given to these three proposals.

### **TIMELINE:**

**Thursday, May 16th, 2019:** Nomination packages to be received at HIGP Office (POST 602) by 4.00 pm

**Monday, June 24th, 2019:** Winners to be announced

**Thursday, August 1st, 2019:** Funding begins