
2020 Simons Early Career Investigator in Marine Microbial Ecology and Evolution Awards

Updated Information
Deadline date amended.

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Simons Foundation

Program

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Description

Microbes inhabit and sustain all habitats on Earth. In the oceans, microbes capture solar energy, catalyze biogeochemical transformations of important elements, produce and consume greenhouse gases, and provide the base of the food web.

The purpose of these awards is to help launch the careers of outstanding investigators in the field of marine microbial ecology and evolution who will advance understanding through experiments, modeling or theory. Projects focusing on the microbiomes of animals or plants or on paleontological records will not be considered this year. Investigators with backgrounds in different fields are encouraged to apply.

Eligibility

Applicants must hold a Ph.D. or equivalent degree. They must have carried out research in a tenure-track or, for institutions that do not have a tenure track, an equivalent independent position for at least one year and no more than eight years (start date of first independent position must be between November 2011 and November 2019) and must currently hold a tenure-track, tenured, or for institutions with no tenure track, an equivalent independent position in a U.S. or Canadian institution (in a campus within these countries). They must be the principal investigator (PI) or co-PI currently or within the past year on a research grant from a national governmental agency or major foundation.

Funding Availability

Grants will be for \$180,000 USD per year, including indirect costs (limited to 20 percent of modified total direct costs), for a period of three years, subject to annual reviews and continuation of research in areas relevant to the purpose of this program. Appropriate expenses include salary support for the investigator and postdoctoral and graduate research assistants, travel, equipment, supplies and other research expenses.

Awards will begin April 1, 2020.

Awards will be governed by the [Simons Foundation policies](#) [2].

Indirect Costs

20%

Deadlines

If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.

Type	Date	Notes
External Deadline	Tuesday, November 5, 2019 - 5:00pm	Prospective applicants must submit a letter of intent (LOI) by November 5, 2019, 5:00 PM Eastern Time. LOIs must be completed electronically and submitted using forms provided at proposalCentral [3]. Log in as an applicant, go to the grant opportunities tab, scroll to Simons Foundation and click apply now for the “Simons Early Career Investigator in Marine Microbial Ecology and Evolution Awards” program.

The LOI includes:

- Biosketch
- Letter of Intent Narrative
- Two letters of recommendation from former mentors or other scientists, preferably not from your current institution, who work in your field and are

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		familiar with your research. Letters or due by October 30, 2019, 5:00 PM ET.
Internal Deadline	Friday, February 14, 2020 - 12:00pm	If asked to full proposal, please notify Kristin Gibson in the Office of Research Services (kristin5@uoguelph.ca [4]). Please email a copy of the proposal along with an OR5 form to research.services@uoguelph.ca [5] by February 14, 2020 at noon.
External Deadline	Friday, February 21, 2020 - 12:00pm	Full proposal (finalists only) is due to the Simons Foundation. Award Notification March 14, 2020.

For Questions, please contact

For assistance, please call 800-875-2562 or email pcsupport@altum.com [6].

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[1] <https://www.simonsfoundation.org/grant/simons-early-career-investigator-in-marine-microbial-ecology-and-evolution-awards/>

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