

## COA GRANTS 2015

- ✓ COA Grants Committee consists of Jann Vendetti, Tom Duda, and Daniel Geiger.
- ✓ COA received 35 applications
- ✓ Applications came from 8 countries:  
Argentina (4), Brazil, (1), Canada (2), Colombia (1), Congo (1), Malaysia (2), Mexico (1), and United States (23).
- ✓ Ten grants awarded, 11 students + 1 non-student.
- ✓ Awarded: USA (8), Argentina (1), Canada (1), Malaysia (1).
- ✓ Walter Sage Memorial Award was not given due to lack of collection based applications.
- ✓ Paul and Heather Johnson Award went to Jessica Goodheart, University of Maryland.
- ✓ Jacksonville Shell Club Award went to Jansen Smith, of the Cornell University.
- ✓ Clench and Turner Memorial Award (Boston Malacological Society) to Ka'teria Emanuel, Howard University, Washington, DC.
- ✓ The Doris Underwood Award went to Sephen Durham of Cornell University.

Last	First	Hi-degree/ta get	Institution	Country	Title	\$\$\$	special award
Durham	Stephen	Ph.D. student	Cornell University	USA	Impacts of climate change on oyster lifespans: a geohistorical perspective	1080	Underwood
Larson	Michele	Ph.D. student	University of Wyoming	USA	Influence of conductivity and calcium concentrations on the density and species richness of native and invasive gastropods in the Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks.	1500	
Breton	Sophie	Ph.D. researcher	University of Montreal	Canada	Taxonomic distribution of the unusual system of doubly uniparental inheritance of mtDNA in bivalves	2491	
Wall	Alexander	MSc student	University of Cincinnati	USA	Bellwether of the Canaries: Anthropogenic effects on the land snail fauna of the Canary Islands	2290	
Ng	Pei-Yin	undergrad	University of Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur	Malaysia	Placing the freshwater bivalves (Unionida) of Peninsular Malaysia on the bivalve tree of life	1570	
Goodheart	Jessica	Ph.D. student	University of Maryland	USA	Evolution of nematocyst sequestration in Cladobranchia (Gastropoda: Nudibranchia)	1792	Johnson
Orzechowski	Emily A.	Ph.D. student	University of California, Berkeley	USA	The impact of reproductive & larval life history on invasion success & extirpation risk in marine bivalves and prosobranch gastropods	1760	
Schuman	Carrie	Ph.D. student	University of Florida, Gainesville	USA	Influence of height above sea floor and aggregation on oyster clearance rate in the Guana Tolomato Matanzas National Estuarine Research Reserve (GTM NERR)	2040	
Smith	Jansen	Ph.D. student	Cornell University	USA	Using Mulinia Dominated Assemblages to assess the fidelity of live, dead, and fossil assemblages	1900	Jacksonville
Emanuel	Ka'teria	undergrad	Howard University, Washington (DC)	USA	Snail and slug pests associated with the horticultural industry in the District of Columbia Metro Area	2145	Clench/Turner
Total						18568	