~Please note: If more than 2 students are interested in attending the same event there may be other funding options. Students would work with MESA to apply for a Travel Request outside of this fund and could be used to cover transportation, lodging, and registration. Please contact MESA coordinators.

**Deadlines**

Fall 2017: Thursday of each week

Winter 2018: TBD

Spring: 2018: TBD

**Awards:**

The total amount of funding available for the 2017-2018 academic year is $3,000, divided evenly between Fall, Winter, and Spring quarters. Recipients will be notified of their award within two weeks after the application deadline. Direct your questions to the MES Student Association (MESStudentAssociation@evergreen.edu).

**Criteria:**

* You must be a registered student at the time of the event.
* Event has to be within 2017-18 academic calendar.
* Funds cannot be requested for past events or those occurring over the summer.
* Funding requests may be for conferences, workshops, or professional training (max $250)
* Funding requests may also be for future research needs (max $100). Research supplies that have been purchased prior to applying will not be considered.
* You must complete the “Sharing Requirement.”
* Keep itemized receipts to ensure reimbursement.

**Sharing Requirement**: You will be required to share your experience with MES and the larger Evergreen community (through the MES blog, a presentation to undergraduate groups, Cooper Point Journal, or other method of your choice as long as it is approved by the committee). You can work with the MESA coordinators to plan your sharing requirement. This requirement must be fulfilled within 2 weeks after date of the event.

**Instructions for submitting your application:**

 This fund was created to further the following goals: (1) to increase MES students' access to professional development opportunities; (2) to increase the MES program's visibility and reputation in environmental studies and related fields; and (3) to benefit the MES program as a whole by infusing our learning community with cutting-edge knowledge. When filling out the following we suggest that you address these main points in order to have a stronger application, and ultimately a better chance of funding.

 Please submit your application as a word .doc or .docx, saving your application as “MESAFund-YourStudentID.doc” (e.g. MESAFund-A005555555.doc). Write your responses to each question on this form using bold text. There is no page limit. Submit your application to the MES student association (MESStudentAssociation@gmail.com) via email; and they will forward your anonymous application to the review committee. Please do not include your name in the application. Answers should be in the applicants own words and not quoted from an outside source.

1) Student ID# : **Course: Energy Regimes & Environmental Justice**

2) Date of application: **March 5th, 2018**

3) Is this application for professional development or research needs?

**Professional Development**

4) Have you received a MESA award before in this academic year? How much? (Higher priority will be given to students who have not received funding.)

**No**

5) How have you been involved with MESA? If not involved, why? Describe your plans for future involvement:

**Some members of this course have been heavily involved in MESA with others cannot because of work and personal scheduling conflicts**

6) Amount you are requesting (Maximum $250 for professional development, or maximum $100 for research needs):

**$210.00**

7) Name of Conference/Professional Development Opportunity/Research needs:

**The course Energy Regimes and Environmental Justice will be presenting their posters at the 29th Annual Rachel Carson Forum at The Evergreen State College**

8) Describe the Conference/Professional Development Opportunity/Research needs (be sure to explain in your own words):

**Energy Regimes & Environmental Justice would like to request funds to print student posters to present their course projects at the 29th Annual Rachel Carson Forum**

9) Explain how this opportunity/research need(s) will help you meet your learning objectives in MES:

**Funding for the RCF poster session will allow students to present their work and build the professional portfolios of all 15 students in the course.**

10) Event/Research Dates: **Rachel Carson Forum: May 10th, 2018**

11) Will you be a registered student at the time of the event/research?

**All 15 students in Energy Regimes and Environmental Justice will be registered as students at the time of this event.**

12) Please describe how you plan to share your experience. Please see “Sharing Requirement” section above.

**Students in Energy Regimes and Environmental Justice plan to write a blog for the MES website describing their presentation experience and what it was like to participate at the Rachel Carson Forum**

13) How are you able to offset costs (carpooling, lodging with a friend, volunteering, sharing supplies, etc)?

**Printing posters for the RCF poster session are the only costs associated with this professional development opportunity.**

14) Have you explored additional funding opportunities? Explain.

**We have not explored other funding opportunities and are trying to relieve students of the burden of paying for the posters themselves.**

15) How will you use the requested funds? Please be specific by including itemized descriptions with costs. (Food cannot be reimbursed.)

**Cost to print a poster at Photoland at Evergreen: $14.00**

**Students in Energy Regimes and Environmental Justice: 15**

**15 students X $14.00 = $210.00**

16) Total Cost: **$210.00**

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**If requesting funds for research needs only please stop here.**

**If requesting funds for professional development please continue.**

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17) Event Location: The Evergreen State College

18) Will you be presenting your research at the conference in the form of either an oral presentation or a poster presentation? Please describe.

**All students in Energy Regimes & Environmental Justice will be presenting their course research at the 29th Annual Rachel Carson Forum poster session.**

19) Registration Cost: **FREE**

20) Travel Cost (if airfare or train, put cost of ticket, if by car, use formula below): **NA**

21) Estimated Travel miles: **NA**  Travel Cost (driving mileage x $0.575/mile): **NA**

22) Estimated Lodging cost (limited to the max/night for government employees. See <http://www.evergreen.edu/business/travel/reimbursement.htm> for WA and non-WA rates).

**NA**

23) Additional Info: **None**