

The University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science (UMCES) will award up to three graduate fellowships to support new Ph.D. students who will start their studies in September 2017. The Presidential Fellowships are merit-based and designed to recruit outstanding students into UMCES graduate programs. These fellowships provide up to three years of salary, full State of Maryland health benefits and tuition; fellowship support may be combined with other funding opportunities.

UMCES is Maryland's premier research institution whose mission is to advance scientific knowledge of the environment. UMCES scientists conduct research at four units: Appalachian Laboratory in the mountains of western Maryland, Chesapeake Biological Laboratory on the western shore of Chesapeake Bay, Horn Point Laboratory on the eastern shore of Chesapeake Bay, and the Institute of Marine and Environmental Technology in downtown Baltimore. UMCES faculty members advise and support more than 80 graduate students. Doctoral students are enrolled in two Ph.D. programs: [Marine-Estuarine-Environmental Sciences \(MEES\)](#) and the [Graduate Program in Life Sciences \(GPILS\)](#) (see <http://www.umces.edu/education/graduate>).

Applicant reviews will begin January 15, 2017, and will continue until all of the Presidential Fellowships are awarded, no later than by April 1, 2017. The application form is located [here](#). For more information, please contact the Office of the Vice President for Education at [UMCESfellowship@umces.edu](mailto:UMCESfellowship@umces.edu).