

### **2021 MUEHLBERGER FAMILY AWARD**

This Fund was established by Mr. Eric Muehlberger who earned both his BS & MS degrees in Geology from Northern Arizona University. Mr. Muehlberger has nearly 35 years of geological and environmental management experience. He is a strong advocate for education and experiential learning. This fund is established in honor of his family to encourage and support students at Northern Arizona University in the Geology and Environmental Science Programs of the School of Earth and Sustainability.

This year, a total of \$1000 will be awarded to a graduate student or students conducting research in water, surface processes, or geomorphology, broadly defined.

The criteria for eligibility in 2021 are as follows:

1. conducting field research in Earth Science fields related to water, surface processes, or geomorphology;
2. full-time MS graduate standing in the School of Earth and Sustainability;
3. preference will be given to first-year students, although second-year students can be considered. Second-year students must provide evidence of their progress to date.

To apply for this award, submit the following in a PDF file by 5:00 p.m., on March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021, by email to Nancy Riggs (nancy.riggs@nau.edu):

1. a brief (one page or less), concise summary of the research project and goals;
2. an informal copy of your NAU graduate student transcript at the time of submission.

The name of your saved and emailed document must be Muehlberger\_application\_2021\_[your name]

**\*\*** As with all awards, be advised that the review committee will take an extremely dim view of “recycled” applications. In the summary of your graduate research, be sure that you state a gap in knowledge, its significance, and a hypothesis regarding how you will fill the gap. Provide a statement of how you will use the award (detailed budget is NOT required). Lastly, state what other grants you have received (external or internal) and/or have applied for.