



FINDING DIMO FELLOWS: NATIONAL NEEDS GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM IN DISEASES OF MARINE ORGANISMS

The University of Rhode Island www.uri.edu is offering fellowships to support the training of **3 Ph.D. students** in the area of Diseases of Marine Organisms (DIMO). The goal of this interdepartmental program is to generate experts able to apply the tools of **genomics, proteomics, and bioinformatics** to identify the molecular and ecological mechanisms of disease in the marine environment and capable of addressing the complex scientific, social, and economical issues related to the management of infectious diseases in a rapidly growing aquaculture industry. Key elements of the program include: 1) an integrative, multidisciplinary, collaborative research training approach that emphasizes the application of ecology and evolution; 2) strategies to develop a solid career foundation through networking, enhanced mentoring, and an international experience; 3) opportunities to interact with fellows in programs with emphasis in management of the coastal environment and policy, as well as with industry and governmental partners and other stakeholders; and 4) an appreciation for diversity and a commitment to building a multicultural environment.

The fellowships provide a \$24,000 stipend, tuition, and health insurance. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or U.S. nationals. Applications are due **April 15, 2008**. For more information about the program, contact Dr. Marta Gómez-Chiarri at gomezchi@uri.edu.



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