



## **Moss Landing Marine Laboratories**

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Central California Council of Diving Clubs

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Dear Jim Kaller and the Cen-Cal Scholarship Committee,

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the Central California Council of Diving Clubs for selecting me as a recipient for the 2017 Diving & Aquatic Studies Scholarship.

I am pursuing my M.S. in Marine Sciences at Moss Landing Marine Laboratories, located in beautiful Monterey Bay, California. I love that I spend my days conducting diving research on kelp forest fishes out on the ocean (and running statistics behind a computer!). As an un-funded graduate student, finances are a constant concern and award of the Cen-Cal Scholarship was an amazing surprise. I am honored and deeply appreciative of your support.

To show my thanks, I would love to meet you all and tell you more about the research you are helping to fund. I'd invite your Council to visit Moss Landing Marine Laboratories in the fall, perhaps after one of your dive trips to Monterey Bay. I'd be happy to give you a tour around the labs, and show you a brief presentation about my research. If this is something you would be interested in scheduling, please email me at <[jshrestha@mlml.calstate.edu](mailto:jshrestha@mlml.calstate.edu)>.

Thank you.

Best fishes,

June Shrestha