

# Jenkins Family Graduate Fellowship

For nearly 20 years, the generous support of the Jenkins family has produced significant advances in the Department of Earth System Science. We are grateful not only for the family's financial contributions, but also for their genuine interest in Earth system science. In addition to early contributions that helped establish a state-of-the-art building designed to facilitate interdisciplinary research, the Jenkins family has helped ESS create opportunities for new graduate student research projects and other special initiatives that would have otherwise not been possible.

## Program Overview

In aligning our strategic goals of increasing enrollment and funding while continuing to recruit the most talented graduate students, several incoming students are awarded fellowships each year thanks to the generosity of the Jenkins family. The Jenkins family has taken a special interest in the discipline, students and research they support.

Jenkins Family Graduate Fellows are selected based on academic record as well as a compelling research interest they are passionate about sharing. Support is for one quarter and the recipient is asked to provide updates on significant research milestones to the department throughout their career. These updates are reflected on the department's website and serve as a reminder of the contributions the Jenkins Family has made to the field and the Department of Earth System Science at UCI.

The Jenkins Family Graduate Fellowship previously provided support for advanced ESS graduate students studying in the areas of terrestrial ecology or biogeochemistry. Additional information about fellowship recipients and their research can be found at <http://www.ess.uci.edu/jenkinsfellows>.