

Don McCubbing was a fisheries biologist who passed away in 2015, much too early and will be sorely missed by all. His legacy of academic and work achievements in fisheries biology and habitat restoration included many scientific publications and innovations in fisheries management.

Don strongly believed in educating and training the next generation of fisheries biologists through practical field work and technical skills training. He volunteered time training students at BCIT in the Fish, Wildlife and Recreation and Ecological Restoration programs, where students gained practical field experience in fisheries management and habitat restoration.

For several years, Don also participated in the Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation's Fisheries Technical Review Committee and brought a wealth of practical experience and science-based decision making to the project review process.

From 2020 to 2024, the Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation established 4 annual scholarships, the HCTF– McCubbing Scholarships, the HCTF– McCubbing Scholarships, for BCIT students pursuing studies in fisheries biology and or aquatic ecosystem habitat restoration.

In 2025, the HCTF has broadened the availability of these scholarships for any BC students who are pursuing an honours thesis or direct studies research project in their fourth year of a BSc. program at any BC post-secondary institution.

Level: 4th year students enrolled in BSc program in BC

Award: Up to 5 scholarships each at \$4,000

Application Deadline: May 15th

Eligibility:

- Candian citizens
- Enrolled in BC post-secondary
- Fourth year student in BSc program
- Focus on BC freshwater fish, wildlife and or habitat conservation or management
- Enrolled in directed studies or honors thesis course.
- Faculty sponsor and project supervisor approved.

