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UC Berkeley student awarded 2008 Udall Dissertation Fellowship

Terrence L. Bracy, Chairman of the Board of the Tucson-based Morris K. Udall Foundation, has announced that Anita Milman, a Ph.D. candidate in the Energy and Resources Group at the University of California, Berkeley, has been selected as 2008 Udall Dissertation Fellow. Milman is one of only two Fellows selected by an independent review committee of environmental scholars and professionals.

The Udall Dissertation Fellowship is awarded to outstanding doctoral candidates who have achieved distinction in their scholarly research and who are entering the final year of writing the dissertation. The dissertation topic must be significant and relevant to national environmental public policy and/or environmental conflict resolution. The award covers both academic and living expenses up to \$24,000 for the year.

Milman's research analyzes the factors influencing the formation of cooperative management strategies for internationally shared aquifers and cross-border flows of wastewater, through an analysis of the Upper Santa Cruz River Basin (USCRB), located along the U.S.-Mexico border. She has worked in rural Mexico and with the Peace Corps in El Salvador to implement and evaluate the performance of community-based water systems. Milman has also worked on a variety of projects related to indicators of sustainability, carbon emissions reductions, and environmental justice. After completing her dissertation, Milman hopes to continue connecting people and agencies along the U.S.-Mexico border in an effort to resolve the diverse environmental challenges both countries face.

Milman earned a B.S. and M.Eng. from Cornell University in Civil and Environmental Engineering, and was a recipient of the National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship in 2003.

The Morris K. Udall Foundation is an independent federal agency that awards the premier merit-based scholarships, fellowships and internships for studies related to the environment and Native American policy in the United States. Since 1996, the Foundation has awarded 994 scholarships of \$5,000 each and 24 Ph.D. fellowships of \$24,000 each, and has placed 149 Native American interns in Congressional and Executive Branch Offices. In addition to its education programs, the Foundation includes the U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution, which provides mediation and related services to help resolve federal environmental disputes nationwide.

Congress created the Udall Foundation in 1992 to honor the late Congressman Morris Udall's legacy of public service. Congressman Udall represented Southern Arizona in the House of Representatives for three decades, a career distinguished by civility, integrity and consensus. His love for the environment resulted in numerous pieces of legislation, chief among them the Alaska Lands Act of 1980, which doubled the size of the national park system and tripled our national wilderness. Congressman Udall also championed the rights of Native Americans and Alaska Natives, using his leadership in Congress to strengthen tribal self-governance.

For more information on the dissertation fellowship, a list of previous fellowship recipients, and more information on the Foundation and related programs please visit: [www.udall.gov](http://www.udall.gov) or contact Jane Curlin at (520) 901-8565 or [curlin@udall.gov](mailto:curlin@udall.gov).