AGI Announces First Recipient of The 
Harriet Evelyn Wallace Scholarship for Women in Geoscience

Alexandria, VA – Congratulations to Kelly M. Deuerling, the first recipient of AGI’s new Harriet Evelyn Wallace Scholarship for women in geoscience.

Deuerling, a Ph.D. candidate and NSF Graduate Research Fellow at the University of Florida, was selected from amongst a group of prestigious applicants for the new scholarship, which is dedicated to increasing the number of women in geoscientific professions. Deuerling was selected for her outstanding contributions to her field, as well as her commitment to several extracurricular activities and strong participation in the geoscience community. Deuerling is a highly accomplished geoscientist with a wide range of field experiences, lab skills, grants, and awards to support her research, as well as a publication in review. Her current work as a Ph.D. candidate focuses on the chemical weathering of the glacial foreland in western Greenland, using tracers of subglacial hydrologic systems and oceanic fluxes of radiogenic isotopes. The timeliness of her research, as well as its broad appeal and potential impacts on the greater geoscience community, helped to distinguish Deuerling as a promising young scientist within the geoscience profession.

Given annually in honor of Harriet Evelyn Wallace, a founding member of the Geoscience Information Society (GSIS), a national organization and AGI member society that facilitates the exchange of information in the geosciences, the new Harriet Evelyn Wallace Scholarship is awarded to a female student pursuing a thesis-based Master’s or Doctoral degree in the Earth sciences. The scholarship is awarded to the applicant who most exemplifies the strong likelihood of a successful transition from her graduate studies to the geoscience workforce. The successful candidate receives $5,000 for her first scholarship year, and will be eligible for a second year scholarship of $5,000 upon successful completion of her first year. Each year, a second $5,000 award will be given to a new female graduate student for a total of 2 awards per year starting in 2014. For more information on the scholarship please visit www.agiweb.org/scholarships/wallace/.

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