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MARINE BIOLOGY MAJOR AWARDED \$2,500 SCHOLARSHIP

The National Marine Representatives Association (NMRA) awarded its 2019 NMRA Maritime Trades Scholarship of \$2,500 to Kennedy Peirson of Villas, New Jersey. The scholarship was established in 2008 for students pursuing an education that leads to a career in the maritime trades.

A recent graduate of Cape May County Technical High School, Peirson will be attending the University of Tampa this fall to pursue a degree in marine biology. Having learned about the vital importance of coral reef ecosystems and the threats facing them, she already has a career trajectory. "I want to become someone who works to find solutions that will ensure coral reefs thrive for future generations."

"We're pleased to present Kennedy with our scholarship," said Neal Trombley, NMRA past president. "She's committed to saving the natural resources by which the marine industry thrives."

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