The Dr. James O. Jones Endowed Scholarship for Field Studies was established in 2003 by family, friends, students and colleagues to honor the life and career of Dr. James O. Jones, one of the founding professors of the Geology Program at UTSA. Dr. Jones taught at UTSA from 1977-1999. He maintained a long-term field research program in the eastern Permian Basin (North-central Texas) and also had an extraordinary professional service record at the local, regional, national and international levels. Most students from the 1980’s best remember him for the summer field camp program he ran at that time.

Dr. James O. Jones left a lasting impression on all who knew him, the strongest of which were his dedication to the profession of geology and his passion for field geology. This scholarship is intended to aid students pursuing research or training in field geology, that aspect of science that was closest to his heart and that most characterized his legacy.