



rare Scholarship Application

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NOTE TO APPLICANTS

rare supports graduate student projects through the competitive annual Ages Foundation Fellowship & Bursaries program. This scholarship program is offered once a year. The monetary awards are intended to recognize excellence in academic environmental research including a variety of fields in science and the arts, and to help provide candidates with the resources necessary to complete their projects.

We recognize that historical and present-day barriers exist that disadvantage Black, Indigenous and other People of Colour (BIPOC) from pursuing higher education. The Ages Foundation Fellowship & Bursaries program therefore includes a dedicated BIPOC award. Up to \$15,000 will be distributed annually in the following amounts: one \$5,000 award, one \$5,000 BIPOC award, and up to five \$1,000+ bursaries (based on the number and merit of applications received).

Annual scholarship applications can be submitted between January 1 and April 1.
Successful recipients will be notified by mid-April.

Eligibility criteria:

1. You are a graduate student who will be conducting a project at **rare** during the calendar year for the current scholarship competition.
2. Your project has an environmental focus and will utilize **rare** as a field site, case study or in some other capacity.
3. You have not received any previous scholarships from the Ages Foundation Fellowship & Bursaries program.

Application and payment process:

1. New projects submitted between January 1 and April 1 should submit both a Project Application (see raresites.org) and this Scholarship Application.
2. Ongoing projects that have already submitted a Project Application form only need to submit this Scholarship Application.
3. Completed forms should be submitted by email to **rare's** Conservation Scientist (research@raresites.org).
4. Successful recipients will be notified by mid-April. 80% of the scholarship will be awarded as soon as possible upon acceptance.
5. The remaining 20% of the scholarship will be awarded one year later or upon completion of the project (whichever occurs first) upon receipt of a brief progress report to **rare's** Conservation Scientist.



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1. APPLICANT INFORMATION & ELIGIBILITY

Name:

Email:

Telephone:

Project title:

Please confirm your eligibility by checking the boxes below if true:

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My project has an environmental focus and will utilize **rare** as a field site, case study or in some other capacity.

I have not received any previous scholarships from the Ages Foundation Fellowship & Bursaries program.

Please indicate your eligibility for the Black, Indigenous and other Persons of Colour award

By checking this box, I am self-identifying as a member of a visible minority group and indicating my eligibility for the BIPOC award.

2. PROJECT MERIT & NEED

Briefly describe the importance of this project to environmental research/conservation at **rare and in the broader community (max 200 words).**



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Briefly describe any specific challenges or barriers to your project that you hope this scholarship funding will help mitigate (max 200 words).

3. SIGNATURE

Applicant signature:

Date: