



State University of New York
College of Environmental Science and Forestry
Cranberry Lake Biological Station

Dr. Samuel Grober '38 Graduate Fellowship

Application Opens: December 1, 2024

Application Deadline: February 15, 2025, by 5:00 PM

About the Cranberry Lake Biological Station

Cranberry Lake Biological Station (CLBS) is located in the heart of the Adirondack Park on the ancestral lands of the Mohawk Nation of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy. As a satellite campus of the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry (SUNY ESF), it has been in use as a living classroom for 105 years. CLBS provides seclusion for research, teaching, contemplation, and creative endeavors.

About the Fellowship

This fellowship was initiated in 2009 with a gift to CLBS from ESF alumnus Dr. Samuel Grober ('38). Dr. Grober was an undergraduate at CLBS in 1936 and remained loyal to its mission of educating students about Adirondack ecology and forests in an immersive natural setting. The award recipient will be recognized in May at the EB Spring Awards Ceremony.

The fellowship is meant to support research at CLBS and the surrounding environment with a particular focus on forest health and ecosystems research.

- **Eligibility:** Open to all EB graduate students.
- **Funding:** Based on the budget submitted in your application, a maximum of \$12,000 is available.
- **Expectations:** The successful recipient should look to participate in the CLBS undergraduate academic program. Please outline in your application how you envision doing so (e.g., teaching, mentoring research, presenting a seminar, etc.).
- **Payment:** The award amount will be paid directly to the recipient in one to two lump sums.

Application Details

The application is hosted through an online form. The required information for the application is provided below. You are unable to save your application and complete it at a later point, so please be prepared to submit all information at one time.

1. Cover letter identifying your major professor, current or expected financial support, area of interest, a brief description of research accomplishments, and the appropriateness of CLBS for the proposed research.

2. Two-to-three-page project statement outlining the research topic (introduction, rationale, objectives, methods, and significance of research) and how you will engage with undergraduate students attending classes at CLBS.
3. Budget detailing use of the funds (please note AY tuition is not to be included)
 - a. Examples of costs normally included:
 - i. Salaries – calculated as anticipated hours worked (generally ~ \$20/hr. for the graduate student and \$13-15/hr. for UG technicians, depending on experience)
 - ii. Room and Board at CLBS - \$40/day per person minus the number of days you plan to assist with the academic program (these expenses will be covered by the station)
 - iii. Research supplies and relevant research expenses
 - iv. Travel expenses – calculated at 62.5 cents/mi
4. One-page statement on career goals
5. Complete curriculum vitae
6. Undergraduate and graduate transcripts/grade reports (unofficial is fine)

Evaluation

Applications will be reviewed by the Cranberry Lake Advisory Board.

Notification

All applicants will be notified in mid-March whether they have been offered a Fellowship.