Grober Graduate Fellowship

Application Opens: November 15, 2023
Application Deadline: February 20, 2024

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. It is an ESF satellite campus that serves as a living classroom for Environmental Monitoring and Biodiversity Assessment, our department’s flagship course, and other field courses. We also support research and creative endeavors, e.g., host visiting writers, artists in residence.

About the Residency

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 Environmental Biology (EB) Spring Awards Ceremony.

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

- Eligibility: Open to all EB graduate students.
- Funding: Based on the budget submitted with your application.
- 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 cannot save your application and complete it at a later point, so please be prepared to submit all the 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 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 graduate student and $13-15/hr. for UG technicians, depending on experience)
      ii. Room and board at CLBS - $40 dollars a 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.