



## OPEN TO ALL GRADUATE STUDENTS!

# AGES FOUNDATION RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP & BURSARIES

**Only complete this section if you are a Canadian or International graduate student who will be conducting research at or with *rare* and want to be considered for the Ages Foundation Research Fellowship & Bursaries program.**

The ***rare Charitable Research Reserve*** has partnered with Cambridge & North Dumfries Community Foundation, Ages Foundation Fund to financially assist students in pursuit of higher education. The Research Fellowship & Bursaries program will allow students to study in a relatively undisturbed, yet highly accessible site in Waterloo Region. Applications that utilize multiple knowledge systems and diverse methodologies will be prioritized. The monetary awards will help ensure successful candidates have the necessary resources to conduct and report on their research at ***rare***.

We support diverse, inclusive and equitable practices and approaches to environmental issues as we work toward meaningful reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples (self-identified and status First Nations, Métis & Inuit) of Turtle Island. We encourage applications from Indigenous students utilizing Indigenous and/or Western knowledge systems and methodologies.

Four recipients will be selected through the application process and awards will be given out in the following amounts: one (1) \$4,000 award, one (1) \$2,000 award, and two (2) \$1,000 awards.

2019-2020 Theme:

### **RESEARCH-BASED GOVERNANCE, POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION**

*Research opportunities exist to examine the socio-ecological system and develop successful strategies for ecological, social and economic sustainability. We welcome applications from any discipline that may ultimately lead to better informed conservation practices that may shape governance and policy.*

Applications Details:

1. Applications can be submitted until midnight on, April 1<sup>st</sup>.
2. Students will be required to provide a final report to ***rare*** one year after receiving the scholarship.
3. The successful applicant will be notified on or before July 1<sup>st</sup>. The bulk of the prize will be awarded shortly thereafter while the small remainder (\$500, \$300, or \$200 depending on the quantity received) will be awarded by June of the following year, upon successful completion of the requirements of the scholarship (including the final report and conference presentation).
4. The recipient will retain all intellectual property rights.
5. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** please submit your application **at least four weeks** before your anticipated start date. This may mean submitting your application prior to the deadline to ensure your project can start on time.
6. It is highly recommended that you contact the ***rare*** Program Scientist to discuss your project in advance of applying.





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### APPENDIX ONE: REFERENCES AND REVIEW

Please submit one letter of reference from an individual who can best assess you academic and/or Indigenous thought and knowledge credentials (this may include your supervisor) and provide the name, telephone number, and email address for one additional reference who can further assess your credentials.

Name:

Affiliation:

Email address:

Phone number:

Applicants are encouraged to recommend up to 3 qualified individuals for the review process of the research application. As this program is open to a wide-range of disciplines and knowledge systems, this process is aimed to eliminate bias and ensures your application will be reviewed by an expert in your field, along with individuals from **rare's** staff and advisory committees with a diversity of expertise. Applicants should take care not to recommend reviewers that have a conflict of interest (e.g. a direct collaborator or supervisor). Please include the first and last name, institution (if relevant), and contact information (email preferred) for each recommended reviewer.

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Is the start of your project at **rare** contingent on receiving the scholarship or bursary? (This will not impact the outcome of your application, but allows for simultaneous review by research, environmental, and scholarship advisory committees if required).

Yes

No

Undetermined