



Garden Club of Virginia Conservation and Environmental Studies Fellowship

Purpose: To support research for conservation and environmental studies that directly impacts the Commonwealth of Virginia. Topics may include flora, fauna or community practices.

Provision: Provides a grant of up to \$6,000 for study and research at an accredited university in Virginia.

Eligibility: Open to undergraduate or graduate students attending an accredited university in Virginia.

Selection: Candidates are selected by the Garden Club of Virginia (GCV) and a university faculty member in a related field.

Deadline for applications and letter of endorsement: May 15

Notification of acceptance: June 1

Email applications to: communications@gcvirginia.org

Application:

The application should be no more than 5 pages, 12-point font or larger, and should contain:

1. A one-page cover sheet which includes applicant's name, title of proposal, mailing address, email address, cell phone number and permanent mailing address if different. Include advisor's name and title, university and department.
2. A written proposal for the project including the scope of the project, methods, expected results, and impact on the environment in Virginia. Include supporting data if applicable.
3. A budget proposal stating how the award will be spent.

Letter of Endorsement:

A letter of endorsement written by the applicant's major or graduate advisor, including the statement that the applicant is duly enrolled in school.

Requirements:

1. Updates on the research at an interval to be established upon receipt of award
2. A final project report and accounting of expenditures
3. Funds not used for the expressed purpose must be returned to the GCV within one year of the date of the grant
4. A presentation of the project at a GCV event
5. Photos of the recipient at work and photos of the work
6. Acknowledgement of GCV in any publication or report resulting from the fellowship