**Washington State Distinguished Fellowship in Biology**

[[link to Biology web page](http://www.cwu.edu/biology/)]

The Washington State Distinguished Fellowship in Biology was established by generous donations from the Farrell family and the Washington State Higher Education Coordinating Board to support excellence in Biology.

**AWARD:** Up to $1000 per award.

* Limit one competitive award per academic year per student.
* Students must apply for the Spring Quarter research funding.
* Priority will be given to students who have not previously been awarded the competitive research funding.
* Students must spend out their award by 5/31 of the following year.

*Allowable Expenses*:

* thesis research equipment and supplies
* thesis research travel - to collect data; get needed training or participate in special workshops; or for conference expenses (e.g., food) not covered by the Office of Graduate Studies
* page charges for publication of a manuscript based on the thesis research
* funds applied to student account as a scholarship

**ELIGIBILITY:**

* Applicants must be graduate students in the CWU Department of Biology.
* Students awarded the Botanical/Mycological Research Fund are also eligible for the Washington State Distinguished Fellowship in Biology.

**APPLICATION PROCESS:**

Application Packet must include:

* **250-word abstract** of research project, including objectives and methods or study design
* Itemized budget (with justification, if needed), and other funding requested/expected/awarded
* **Endorsement from your advisor,** through a signature on the cover page indicating the advisor has read the proposal and supports the project
* Please submit your completed application via email to the Biology Department Office (biology@cwu.edu). Be sure to put “Biology Graduate Fellowship” in the subject line.

**FUNDING ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

Award recipients must acknowledge funding in their thesis and all presentations and publications resulting from the research supported by this grant.

**Washington State Distinguished Fellowship in Biology - Application**

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Faculty Mentor: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Amount Requested: $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (limit $1000)**

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**Biology Faculty Mentor Endorsement:**

**I have read this proposal and support the project.**

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Faculty advisor signature Date

 **Comments:**