

Center for Environmental Justice and Sustainability
2024-2025 Student Fellowships
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Fellowship Goals: One of the primary goals of the [Center for Environmental Justice and Sustainability](#) (CEJS) is to support the scholarship of faculty and students across campus engaged in EJS endeavors. Furthermore, we hope to foster collegiality of EJS scholars on campus and opportunities for multidisciplinary/interdisciplinary scholarship that spans the schools and colleges of Seattle University.

Student fellowship program description: Proposals for student fellowships are encouraged from all disciplines and for all types of scholarly research on topics related to environmental justice or sustainability. Projects that include collaboration across disciplines or schools/colleges are particularly encouraged. Proposals may be submitted by individual students or by student teams. The CEJS student fellowship program provides support for new projects and for extending previous endeavors. CEJS student fellows are expected to produce a tangible scholarly product, such as a substantial academic paper, a conference presentation, an artistic exhibit or presentation, or other pre-professional product as a result of their participation in this program.

Anticipated Timeline, 2024-2025 Fellowships:

11/06/2023	Call for proposals is announced
03/04/2024	Proposals due by noon to cejs@seattleu.edu
Earth Day (04/22/24)	2024-2025 CEJS Student Fellows announced
May 2024	Attend 2023-2024 CEJS student fellows end-of-year presentation. Introduce your research project.
October 2024	Fellows start-of-year meeting: student fellows, faculty supervisors, CEJS staff
February 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fellows' mid-year meeting: student fellows, faculty supervisors, CEJS staff • Mid-year research update is due
May 2025	Present your research at the CEJS Student Fellows Research Presentation event
June 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final report due. • Optional but encouraged: Submit research paper to SUURJ (submission deadline is in Fall quarter 2024)

Eligibility: Full-time continuing undergraduate and graduate students with the following conditions:

- Graduation date no sooner than Spring 2025
- Must be able to commit to a year-long scholarly project
- Must be willing to meet the fellowship requirements outlined below
- Must have the ongoing support of a faculty mentor for the duration of the project

Fellowship requirements:

- Attend 2023-2024 CEJS Student Fellows Research Presentation event and introduce your research project
- Attend two student fellowship meetings in academic year 2024-2025
- Submit a brief mid-year progress report (Winter quarter 2025)
- Present your work at the annual CEJS Student Fellows Research Presentation (Spring quarter 2025)
- Complete one tangible scholarly product (substantial paper, artistic presentation, etc.) and submit a final report that outlines the results or status of the project by June 2025.

Requirements for Faculty Mentors:

- As part of the fellowship application process, please send a brief statement indicating your support for the project and your willingness to mentor the student/team. Instructions are given in the application sections below.
- Regular supervision of the student's/team's work, including:
 - Review and approval of project proposal
 - At least monthly consultation with student/team throughout the fellowship year
 - Approval of mid-year report
 - Brief final evaluation of student's/team's scholarly product

Fellowship Award: \$2,500 stipend for student fellows per project

Application Components (please see and complete the separate "Cover and Questions" PDF):

1. Cover sheet
 - a. Applicant(s) information
 - b. Brief summary (250 words) of the proposed scholarly work/project
 - c. Signature(s)
2. Current resume(s)
3. Project proposal, minimum 11-point font with 1-inch margins, maximum 3 pages. Note that the review panel will be comprised of faculty and professionals from a variety of EJS disciplines. Please write your proposal with this audience in mind.
 - a. Intended objective(s) of the project and the methodology you will employ
 - b. Discussion of the significance of your project to the larger concerns of environmental justice or sustainability
 - c. Project timeline
4. Statement of support and commitment from faculty mentor (submitted separately, by email) that indicates the mentor:
 - a. Has read the project proposal and endorses the proposed work
 - b. Can provide supervision and mentorship throughout the duration of the project, as outlined in the "requirements for faculty mentors" above

Application Procedure: Submit the documents (cover sheet/proposal and CV(s)) in PDF format. Send as email attachments in one message to cejs@seattleu.edu **by noon on March 4, 2024**. Ask your faculty mentor to email their statement of support to this address by this deadline as well.

Selection Criteria:

- Clarity of proposal—needs to be easily understood by readers not in your discipline
- Significance of project within the applicant's academic discipline or significance for interdisciplinary scholarship
- Potential for advancing the scholarship of environmental justice and sustainability
- Contribution of the project to the fellow's educational and career goals
- Viability of project—realistic objectives and timeline