

Cooke Environmental Research Fellowship Application - Summer 2026

Deadline: Friday, March 2, 2026, 12:00 PM, noon

Once started, please complete and submit the application. You will not be able to save and return to the application at a later time. We have provided a PDF of the application on the website for your information.

About this Fellowship

The Cooke Environmental Fellowship provides an opportunity for a student to conduct community-based research with a faculty mentor within the field of environmental studies. The fellowship can be based at Bowdoin College or at an off-campus location. For projects based off-campus, students must identify a community organization that will act as host for the fellow and are asked to submit a letter of support from the organization. Preference is given to students who have taken at least 2 ES core courses (ENVS1101, ENVS2201, ENVS 2330, ENVS2403), and/or are Environmental Studies majors or minors.

Faculty Mentor: Please provide this description to your faculty mentor well in advance of the deadline so that he or she will have a clear understanding of your project. Your mentor does not need to provide a letter of support, instead Rosie Armstrong will contact your faculty mentor to confirm their availability to advise your project as part of the selection process.

Applicant/Project Information

Name (as listed in Workday)

Class Year

Student ID

Email address

SU Box

Social House affiliation (if any)

Faculty mentor/ Department

Project Description

Please provide a complete project description. Your description cannot exceed two, one-sided, single-spaced, type-written pages and should include:

A description of the disciplinary context of your proposed project and its focus (i.e. the questions, ideas, and/or work you plan to examine and why)

A description of the community engaged research component of your project. For research projects to be conducted off-campus, a host organization must be identified, and a letter of support provided within two weeks of notification by the selection committee. For projects based at Bowdoin College, if the selection committee selects your project, the Environmental Studies Program can assist in identifying a community partner for your project;

A description of how you have prepared yourself to undertake your proposed project (e.g. previous coursework, reading, research paper(s));

A description of how your project will enhance your major and contribute to your future plans.

* Please submit (upload) your project description as a word document or a PDF (not pages).

Project Budget and Justification

Similar to all research fellowships, the Cooke Environmental Research Fellowship offers a \$615 per week stipend for 8-10 weeks of research. For local projects, students have the opportunity to live on campus and housing is provided. In addition, applicants may request up to \$500 in reimbursable project related expenses. If you wish to request support for project related expenses, please submit on a separate sheet an itemized budget and justification with all figures rounded to the nearest \$10.

Your **academic progress** printed from Workday (upload)

If you will be working directly with a community organization, we ask for a letter of support from the host organization within two weeks of your being notified that you have been selected for a Cooke Fellowship (by March 27, 2026). If you have a letter of

commitment from your organization at the time of application, please attach (upload) the **letter of support from your sponsoring organization below.**

Please indicate the email address for the faculty member:

Thank you for applying for the Cooke Environmental Research Fellowship.