Student Research Grants

The Clay Minerals Society annually awards several grants of up to $2500 through its student research grant program.

Purpose

The research program is designed to provide partial financial support of masters and doctoral research for graduate students of clay science and technology in United States universities.

Selection

Applications will be judged on a competitive basis. The qualifications of the applicant, the financial need of the research project, and the design of the research project are evaluated. Applicants selected will be nominated by a four-member CMS committee and approved by the CMS Council.

Application

Each applicant must complete an Application for Research Grant form available from the CMS office and must obtain confidential evaluations from two faculty members at his or her university.

Use of Funds

Individual grants will not exceed $2500. Grant money may be used for the costs of travel by the grantee to conduct research, room and board associated with research-related field work, or for the costs of equipment, supplies, and analyses required to complete the research. Reimbursement, up to $500, from the grant, for expenses incurred while presenting a paper at the CMS conference on the thesis research, is also allowed. Recipients can apply for grants on subsequent years.

To receive a Research Grant Application, please contact

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Also of Interest to Students

CMS offers a reduced student membership rate of $17.00 per year, entitling students to:

- a subscription to *Clays and Clay Minerals,* one of the leading journals in the field of clay science
- registration materials for the annual Clay Minerals Conference, including workshops and field trips
- information on awards for best student papers and posters given at the annual meeting
- access to the Source Clays Project, which provides homogeneous clay samples for research purposes
- discounts on selected books of interest to clay scientists
- updated information on the Society's latest publications, including the Workshop Review Series
- the lively quarterly newsletter, *CMS News.*

Through its conferences and publications, The Clay Minerals Society offers students the best means of following the many-sided growth of the clay sciences and of meeting fellow scientists and technologists with widely different backgrounds and interests.

For membership information, contact the Society office at the above address.

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