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COLORADO UNIVERSITY

Learning, Elevated.

*Our program trains
future environmental
leaders in public and
private land
conservation as well as
in conservation
advocacy*

Masters in Environmental Management (MEM) Integrative Land Management Fellowships

APPLY BY JANUARY 10 TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FELLOWSHIPS

We will consider all MEM applicants for each fellowship based on their application materials. If further information is needed, we will reach out to potential candidates.

ILM FELLOWSHIPS

Integrative Land Management (ILM) Innovation Fellowship ***Provides up to \$7500 from MEM***

The Integrative Land Management (ILM) program embodies a spirit of cross-boundary collaboration to build social-ecological system resilience in the context of global and local change processes. This fellowship will be offered to an incoming student whose experience and service embodies these principles and who shows great promise to be a leader in this field.

ILM Leadership Fellowships ***Provides up to \$1,000***

These fellowships are provided to stellar incoming students in the ILM track who have either demonstrated or display potential leadership in this field through outstanding grades, service, or a combination.

Wilderness Stewardship Fellowship with the United States Forest Service

This fellowship will provide valuable experience with wilderness management in partnership with the Gunnison Ranger District of the USFS. The USFS is currently implementing new wilderness stewardship performance activities, which include education planning, assessment of opportunities for solitude, and other activities. Funding for this fellowship is pending, but should be finalized by early 2017. Fellows will be expected to have completed all funded activity by Sept 30, 2017. Students with interest in this opportunity should contact Dr. Melanie Armstrong (marmstrong@western.edu).

ILM MATCHING FELLOWSHIPS

The following fellowships are intended to leverage MEM funds with a match from a current employer or other entity. Preference will be given to applicants who are able to secure a match. If matched, this fellowship would provide \$10,000 over the course of the program. If you have a potential match that you would like to discuss, please contact Dr. Corrie Knapp at cknapp@western.edu.

MEM City or County Open Space Fellowship ***Provides up to \$5,000 from MEM with potential for match***

City and county open space jobs are a growing component of integrative land management as they provide open space and recreational opportunities for urban residents. The city or county open space fellowship is reserved for current employees of these organizations, or people who desire to work for these entities in the future and plan to focus their MEM project on some aspect of open space.



Figure 1. MEM students benefit from learning in a county with over 80% public land

MEM Public Lands Fellowship

Provides up to \$5,000 from MEM with potential for match

The fellowship provides an opportunity for an outstanding graduate student to engage in the research, project design and leadership of a significant project related to the management of public lands locally, nationally, or internationally. The fellowship is also a launching point for advanced study of issues surrounding public lands management, supporting innovative thinking about the particular issues facing public lands managers in the 21st century.

MEM Land Trust Fellowship

Provides up to \$5,000 from MEM with potential for match

Land trusts are a critical link to conservation on private lands. The land trust fellowship is reserved for current employees of land trust organizations, or people who desire to work for these entities in the future. The fellowship is designed for students who will focus their MEM project on some aspect of land trusts.

MEM Environmental Consulting Fellowship

Provides up to \$5,000 from MEM with potential for match

Environmental consulting companies provide valuable skills and services to both private and public entities. Many students interested in land management begin their careers working for these groups as seasonal employees, gaining hands-on experience in environmental monitoring. The environmental consulting fellowship is reserved for current or prior employees of consulting companies, or people who desire to work for these entities in the future.

ILM Project Matching Fellowships

Provides up to \$2,500 from MEM with potential for match

These fellowships are provided to second-year students who have a potential match from their project sponsor. Prior matching fellowships have been awarded to students working with the Bureau of Land Management and US Forest Service, however we are open to matching contributions from any land management entity (public, non-profit, or private). Interested second-year students should send a 1-page letter of interest explaining the proposed project, its importance, and the matching partner with contact information to Dr. Corrie Knapp (cknapp@western.edu). There are two deadlines for letters of interest: April 15 and September 15. Letters will be read after the deadlines and decisions made within two weeks.



Figure 2. MEM Students have ample opportunities to learn from working professionals

Apply by January 10th to be considered for all ILM fellowships!

For more information on our program, please visit: <http://www.western.edu/MEM>

Or contact Dr. Corrie Knapp, Coordinator of the Integrative Land Management Program at 970-943-3154 or cknapp@western.edu