

## **CSMS UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GRANT**

CSMS student research awards were formed to encourage and support undergraduate students who wish to pursue an education in Geology. Questions may be addressed to Maureen Richardson at [bikeswithcoyotes@gmail.com](mailto:bikeswithcoyotes@gmail.com).

### **Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society Undergraduate Student Grant**

The primary goal of the CSMS Student Grant Program is to promote and support promising and diligent undergraduate students studying in the State of Colorado who wish to study geology, mineralogy, gemology, and/or related earth sciences, and wish to engage in these sciences as a career.

#### **Eligibility**

The CSMS Student Grant Program is open to **ALL** geology or earth science majors (juniors and seniors will be given preference) studying in the State of Colorado. CSMS Student Grant applicants need not be members of the Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society nor associated with the CSMS in any way (though members of the CSMS may be given preference), but are welcome to join the CSMS at any time they may wish to learn from, engage with the members and share their knowledge and experience.

Undergraduate students must be currently enrolled in a Colorado degree granting institution. The institution may not request overhead costs. Undergraduate students should (ideally) be in their junior or senior year and should have already chosen geology, mineralogy, gemology, or a related earth science, as their major to demonstrate commitment to the field. Any and all academically promising students are eligible and there shall be no discrimination of any kind based on any factor, it will be awarded based on demonstration of academic ability and passionate interest in the science of geology, mineralogy, gemology, or related earth science. Students are eligible for one CSMS Student Grant per degree pursued, per year.

### **Grant Guidelines**

Grants will be up to \$3,000 dollars, or whatever amount is decided by the Board of Directors of the CSMS, depending on availability of funds.

One confidential letter of recommendation from the student's advising professor is required with the application. Please send the letter by email to Maureen Richardson at [bikeswithcoyotes@gmail.com](mailto:bikeswithcoyotes@gmail.com). Please put "CSMS Student Grant" in the "subject" line.

**Winning students will receive the award within 30 days of being chosen by the CSMS Board of Directors.**

### **Use of Grant Funds**

The Grant award may be used for: field trips, materials and supplies, books, tuition, and such other necessities as may help and aid the student in their pursuit of a geology or earth science-related degree.

