**THE COLORADO MOUNTAIN CLUB FOUNDATION**

**2025 FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION**

**Name:**

**Mailing address to which awards should be sent (be sure you can receive a check at this address)**:

**Telephone Number:**

**E-mail Address:**

**Academic Degrees Received:**

**Present Academic Status:**

**College or University Presently Attending:**

**Name and Title of Faculty Sponsor:**

**Research Study Title:**

**Research Abstract (200word limit). Describe how your proposal relates to the CMC Statement of Purpose:** *“To unite the energy, interest, and knowledge of the students, explorers, and lovers of the mountains of Colorado; to collect and disseminate information regarding the Rocky Mountains in behalf of science, literature, art, and recreation; to stimulate public interest in the mountain area; to encourage the preservation of forests, flowers, fauna, and natural scenery; and to render readily accessible the alpine attractions of this region.”*

**Research Proposal (1 inch margins; no less than 11 font, single spaced; no more than six pages, not including Literature Cited)**

Please attach a description of your research project, including an estimated time schedule and budget. Please include the following headings: Introduction; Materials & Methods; Research Questions/Hypotheses; Broader Impact (project’s relevance to its field, its broader importance, as well as any science outreach you will engage in to promote your project).

The CMCF Fellowship & Grant Committee members have scientific backgrounds but may not be familiar with your specific area of research. It is up to the applicant to write so those without expertise in your field can understand your project proposal, particularly your Materials & Methods section. Specifically, please use uncomplicated communication, include common names of taxa, define acronyms or abbreviations and terms that have specific meaning in your field. It is up to the applicant to write so those without expertise in your field can easily understand your project proposal.

Salary for the applicant is not allowed in the budget request. Stipend or salary for a field or research assistant is allowed, but the applicant must fully justify the need for the assistant in the summary. Other budget items should be justified. CMCF Fellowships and grants are awarded in the range of $500 - $2,000. **Applicants who have received CMCF support two times or more are not eligible to apply again.**

A letter of endorsement from your faculty sponsor supporting your application must be sent under separate cover. Your completed application and sponsor’s endorsement must be sent electronically by **April 15, 2025,** to **Paula Cushing** at Paula.Cushing@dmns.org.

IRS regulations stipulate that for the fellowship or grant to be considered tax free, it must meet two conditions: 1) The award recipient must be a candidate for a degree at an educational institution that maintains a regular faculty and curriculum, and 2) The award must be used for the furtherance of award recipient’s research. The award cannot be used for salary, wage, or any form of compensation for services to the recipient. By applying to the CMCF Fellowship / Grant program, the applicant is certifying that s/he is able to comply with these two conditions.