



BABBITT CENTER
FOR LAND AND WATER POLICY

A Center of the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Native American Graduate Fellowship in Land and Water Management

- Will my progress towards my degree impact my evaluation? *The only requirement is that you continue to meet the minimum criterion of being enrolled full time in good standing in a thematically relevant graduate program as described in the fellowship description. Enrollment can mean you have been admitted to, but not yet started, a graduate program.*
- Do I need to be a U.S. citizen to apply? *No.*
- Do I need to be registered in a U.S. university to apply? *No, we accept applications from students enrolled at universities in the U.S. and Mexico.*
- Do I need to send proof of tribal enrollment or a birth certificate with my application? *Not yet, we will verify Native American status at the time of fellowship award. We will rely on information from your university, or you may independently provide documentation at that time if you prefer.*
- Can I apply if I have a full-time job while I am completing my degree? *Yes, but all applicants must be full-time students.*
- How many fellowships will you grant? *Up to four fellowships of \$10,000 each per academic year.*
- Should the entire proposal be single- or double-spaced? *Single-spaced.*
- Is there a desired format to follow when composing the personal statement? *No.*
- What should I cover in the Narrative Biography? *This is your opportunity to tell us a bit about yourself. You might cover items such as where you grew up, where you have gone to school, previous work experiences, or your interests.*
- Must all submissions be electronic? *No, but electronic submissions are encouraged. Refer to the Application Guidelines for the correct mailing address and e-mail address.*
- Must all attachments to the online application be in Microsoft Word? *Microsoft Word files are strongly encouraged but .pdf documents will also be accepted.*
- Must I also mail a hard copy of the proposal? *No.*
- Can I make changes to a section of my proposal after having sent it in? *Only if you do so before the deadline for submission of proposals and only if you send a complete revised application that will replace the original one. Isolated section changes will not be considered.*
- Does the proposal deadline refer to the sending date or the date of receipt of the email or hard copy by the Babbitt Center? *Date of receipt by the Babbitt Center.*
- Will you acknowledge receipt of my application? *Yes, all applicants receive confirmation within five days of receipt.*
- When will I know whether I have been selected for funding or not? *We will notify all applicants approximately one month after the application deadline.*

- If I choose to serve as a mentor to younger students, what is the nature of this potential fellowship requirement? *The mentorship frequency and design will be worked out with each fellow upon selection, but the time requirements will be minimal.*
- Can I get feedback on the substance of my proposal if it is not selected? *The Babbitt Center internal review committee typically does not offer comments regarding the content of proposals that are not selected for funding.*

If you have other questions regarding the Application Guidelines for Native American Graduate Fellowships, please send an email to babbittfellowships@lincolninst.edu