

# **GESA Eco-Grant**

The Eco-Grant is an award funded through the fundraising efforts of the University of Winnipeg Geography and Environmental Students Association (GESA).

## **Mission and Description of the Eco-Grant**

The goal of the Eco-Grant is to encourage the development of sustainable initiatives by students either on or off campus, and to support environmental stewardship within the University of Winnipeg community. It can be applied for by anyone with some affiliation to the university (ie. Students, Faculty, Alumni, etc.). The Eco-Grant is available to fund a wide range of potential opportunities that fall under three main categories:

1. Initiatives that will promote sustainability on campus. Past projects have included rooftop gardens, plastic bag recycling, campus beehives and more.
2. Student research opportunities. This can include any type of research in either the physical or social sciences that will in some way promote environmental sustainability. Grant money could be used to cover an array of potential research costs such as student salary, equipment/supply purchases, etc.
3. Student or graduate travel to relevant conferences or other professional development events that will equip the applicant to make subsequent contributions to environmental sustainability.

## **Objectives of the Eco-Grant**

To fund projects, research and / or travel that will:

- Positively impact sustainability, local environmental efforts, and / or environmental stewardship on the University of Winnipeg campus and broader community.
- Empower campus members to engage in sustainable initiatives on campus and in their personal lives.
- Enable individuals to take initiative with their ideas by funding them to do so.

## **Grant Information**

- Up to \$2500 will be granted towards funding the selected project(s) to fund estimated costs.
- A selection committee composed of GESA members will choose the recipient/recipients.
- Finalists will be required to attend an interview with the Eco-Grant committee.
- The Eco-Grant committee reserves the right to impose conditions and restrictions by their discretion on a case by case basis.
- Campus based and student projects will receive priority.

# Eco-Grant Travel Application

Application deadline is **February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
Completed applications should be emailed to [gesastudents@gmail.com](mailto:gesastudents@gmail.com).

## Part 1: Applicant Information

First Name:  
Last name:  
Phone Number:  
Email Address:  
Mailing Address:

*If applicable*

Student Number:  
Year of Study:  
Degree Type:  
Major:

## Part 2: Transcript, Awards, and Experience

Please provide a copy of your transcript and resume. Attach a list of relevant awards, grants, or prizes that you have received if they are not already included on your resume.

## Part 3: Conference / Event Information

Name:  
Location:  
Dates:  
Link to event website:

Please include a copy of your abstract and acceptance if attending a conference.

## Part 4: Benefit

Include a one-page description on the benefits of the conference as related to:

- Personal benefit to you.
- Experience you will gain.
- How your attendance fulfills and advances the mission and objectives of the Eco-Grant.
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## **Part 5: Estimated Costs and Budget**

Include a summary of the following:

- Total cost breakdown of the event / conference
- An estimated of your total budget
- Any other funding sources you have obtained or applied for

Please include receipts or documentation you may already have. Receipts must be submitted to the committee following your event.

## **Part 6: Applicant Signature**

Your signature below indicates that the information you have provided to the Eco-Grant committee is accurate.

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Applicant Signature

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Date

Completed copies of the application may be sent to [gestudents@gmail.com](mailto:gestudents@gmail.com) in electronic format by February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019.