

NEW BRUNSWICK MUSEUM

Florence M. Christie Research Grants in Botany/Mycology and Zoology

Research proposals of high quality in the areas of systematics, faunistics, floristics, comparative or functional anatomy and morphology, biogeography, and conservation biology are invited. All, or most, of any field research must be carried out in New Brunswick. Studies focusing on rare or endangered species or habitats, or on taxonomic groups that are little known, will be favoured. Two Research Fellowships valued at \$1,000 each will normally be awarded each year: one in Botany or Mycology, and the other in Zoology. These fellowships are open to graduate students and established scientists.

Application forms are available at your department office or from the New Brunswick Museum. Applications must be accompanied by a detailed budget and an application form, and should be posted or e-mailed by December 31 to:

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F.M. Christie Research Grants in Botany/Mycology and Zoology – Application Form

All information in this document is confidential
Please fill in the application form providing the information requested
Only complete applications will be considered

CHECK OFF THE TYPE OF FELLOWSHIP YOU ARE APPLYING FOR

Research Fellowship in Botany/Mycology

Research Fellowship in Zoology

NAME _____

POSITION _____

INSTITUTION _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE NO. _____ E-MAIL: _____

STUDENT SUPERVISOR _____

TITLE OF PROJECT _____

DATES OF WORK _____ to _____

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT (please attach separate sheet)

Please provide a 1 to 3 page description of the project, plus a budget detailing how grant money would be applied to this study.

ACCOMPANYING INFORMATION (please attach the following information)

- curriculum vitae
- names of two references
- for graduate students, a letter from the research supervisor, acknowledging the application
- description of project

TERMS OF AGREEMENT

I confirm that I have read and understand the terms of reference on the reverse. I agree to respect the conditions and rules of the grant programme and the decision of the Grants Committee. If I am awarded a Fellowship, I will use it only for the project which I have described in this application and I will renounce all claim to funds which I have been awarded if the project is cancelled or postponed.

Signature _____ Date _____

Terms of Reference

1. Two grants will be awarded yearly by the New Brunswick Museum (NBM) Department of Natural Sciences: a Research Fellowship in Botany/Mycology and a Research Fellowship in Zoology. Fellowships will be awarded to individuals rather than to institutions or organizations.
2. These grants will be known as the New Brunswick Museum F. M. Christie Research Fellowship in Botany/Mycology, and New Brunswick Museum F. M. Christie Research Fellowship in Zoology.
3. Selection for grants will be made by a Grants Committee consisting of members of the NBM staff. The Committee will be chaired by a member of the Department of Natural Sciences.
4. Completed application forms including project description and a budget must be submitted for consideration by December 31 each year. Candidates will be advised, by mail, of the Grants Committee decisions no later than eight weeks following the closing date for submissions. Applicants must provide names of two references. Students must attach a letter from the research supervisor acknowledging the grant application.
5. The Fellowships are open to practicing scientists and graduate students, and are valued at \$1,000.00 (CAN). These amounts will be reviewed by the Grants Committee as deemed necessary.
6. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, individuals receiving grants must be associated with a recognized scientific institution such as a museum, university or government department. In cases where individuals are not so associated, they may be considered for appointment as research associates in the NBM Department of Natural Sciences, which department would then administer the grant.
7. An individual may receive only one Research Fellowship in any given year.
8. Should suitable proposals not be received in any given year the Grants Committee reserves the right to not award the grant in that year.
9. The following conditions will apply to research supported by these grants:
 - (a) All, or most, of the research must be carried out in New Brunswick or involve specimens of New Brunswick origin.
 - (b) Proposals of high quality in the areas of systematics, floristics, faunistics, biogeography, or conservation biology are invited. All, or most, of any field research must be carried out in New Brunswick. Studies focusing on rare or endangered species or habitats, or on taxonomic groups that are little known, will be favoured.
10. Individuals receiving these grants will:
 - (a) Offer collections, or replicates of collections, generated by the grants to the New Brunswick Museum.
 - (b) Acknowledge support by noting the name of the grant in full (see section 2) in all publications or press releases resulting from grant-supported research.
 - (c) Provide a report of research carried out and any significant findings within one year of receiving grant funds.
 - (d) Provide to the Grants Committee a single reprint of any technical or other papers, books, or monographs reporting research supported by the grant, and, in the case of students, a single copy of the final thesis, which will be deposited in the NBM Research Library.
11. The New Brunswick Museum reserves the right to publicize the awarding of grants.