

Purpose

The Teresa Heinz Scholars for Environmental Research program provides doctoral dissertation and master's thesis or project enhancement support for research on emerging environmental issues. Research must have public policy relevance that increases society's understanding of environmental problems and their solutions. Individuals with dissertations or theses or projects that do not meet these criteria will not be considered.

Eligibility

Doctoral Dissertation Support

Applicants must be candidates for the doctoral degree who will have fulfilled all pre-dissertation requirements by May 31, 2008, including approval of the dissertation prospectus, and expect to submit a completed dissertation by May 2010. Applications will only be accepted from students enrolled in a doctoral degree program at Carnegie Mellon University, Cornell, Harvard, Penn State, Princeton, Stanford or Yale University.

Master's Thesis Support

Applicants must be candidates for the master's degree who expect to submit a completed thesis or project by May 2010. Applications will only be accepted from students enrolled in a graduate program of one of the seven universities listed above, as well as Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi.

Awards

In the 2008-2009 academic year, eight awards at \$10,000 will be available for doctoral dissertation support and eight awards at \$5,000 will be available for master's thesis or project support. Scholars must use the award to enhance the quality of their dissertation or master's thesis. Scholar Awards are for one year, and are nonrenewable.

Grant Guidelines

Scholar candidates must be working full time on their dissertation or master's thesis. Each applicant must complete the attached budget worksheet, detailing other sources of funds and expected use of Scholar funds. No tuition support or indirect costs may be covered by this award.

Selection Committee

Recommendations for selection of Scholars will be conducted by a panel of experts.

Application Deadline

Application materials must be postmarked by January 31, 2008

The Teresa and H. John Heinz III Foundation

The Teresa and H. John Heinz III Foundation, with offices in Washington, D.C. and Pittsburgh, PA, is one of the Heinz Family Philanthropies, a group of funds chaired by Teresa Heinz. The foundation is active in a wide range of issues, but is principally focused on those issues concerning the environment and its relation with public health.

The Heinz Family Philanthropies also include the Heinz Family Foundation, which administers the prestigious Heinz Awards, a program created by Teresa Heinz to honor her late husband, Senator John Heinz, and which recognizes individual excellence and achievement.

Eligible Institutions

- Carnegie Mellon University
- Cornell University
- Harvard University
- Penn State University
- Princeton University
- Stanford University
- Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi
- Yale University