# Second Century Stewardship: Science for America's National Parks 2020 Research Fellowship – Request for Proposals Application Requirements

Deadline: October 30, 2019

Please submit application materials through the Second Century Stewardship Fellowship online submission website, accessed through the Second Century Stewardship <u>apply page</u>. All parts of the application are required and must be submitted by the announced deadline to be considered eligible. The online application components are described below.

# **Applicant information**

- Name
- Address
- Phone
- Email
- Home institution
- Institution address
- Applicant's principal advisor/supervisor (name and title)

### Title page

- Project title
- Abstract: 250-word project summary of proposed research, suitable for a non-scientist
  audience. The summary should be self-contained and provide specific descriptions of the
  goals, research activities, and relevance to park management.

#### **Communication narrative - 350 words**

• Evidence of applicant interest and skills in connecting research with park stewardship and communicating research to varied audiences

**Project narrative** - not to exceed three pages (single spaced, 12-point Times New Roman font)

- Anticipated start and end dates
- Brief background (including related citations)
- Objectives
- Methods and measurable results
- Research timeline with anticipated milestones
- Data management plan
- Other funding sources, if any (other funding is not required)
- Housing requirements (timing and any other needs, or specify if housing not required)
- List of project collaborators, if any, and their contact information

# Project budget and justification - not to exceed two pages

- How project funds will be spent—e.g., stipend, travel, supplies, etc.
- Fellowship funds cannot be used for institutional overhead.

**Curriculum vitae -** not to exceed four pages, please include a one-paragraph bio. Graduate students, additionally include a copy of your graduate school transcripts.

**References** – provide names and email and phone contact information for two references.

## How to apply

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- 10. **Acknowledgements:** All publications resulting from research supported by the fellowship should include an acknowledgement of Schoodic Institute, NPS, and Second Century Stewardship: Science for America's National Parks.