



Undergraduate Research Awards (Multiple Awards, up to \$1000 each)



The University of Utah's Bonderman Field Station at Rio Mesa is accepting applications for its 2020 Undergraduate Research Grants. Bonderman Field Station is an outdoor laboratory located along the Dolores River in southeastern Utah (1 hour from Moab). Awards can be used to fund projects from **any** discipline, but preference will be given to projects that are most consistent with the mission and values of the station. The mission of Bonderman Field Station is to promote and inspire environmental scholarship on the Colorado Plateau. To this end, we hold these values:

- *Water is the lifeblood of the West:* Research, education, and outreach ensure a sound understanding of watersheds and the Dolores River, a key tributary of the Colorado River.
- *Foster exchange of research knowledge:* Bonderman Field Station at Rio Mesa provides an outdoor laboratory for inquiry and open sharing of data and research findings.
- *Foster environmental literacy:* Through education programs, Bonderman Field Station at Rio Mesa trains the next generation of environmental stewards and global citizens.
- *Land preservation:* Bonderman Field Station at Rio Mesa preserves prime river ecosystems for research and to inform restoration and land management efforts.
- *Embrace land stewardship:* Sustainable living is dynamic and has evolved over time. As stewards of the Colorado Plateau, Bonderman Field Station at Rio Mesa explores human habitation of the past, and contemporary and future modes of dwelling in these arid lands.
- *Professional Training:* Bonderman Field Station at Rio Mesa provides training opportunities for developing professionals in connection with ongoing landscape and facilities development, maintenance and programmatic operations.

Projects can be initiated by a faculty mentor or by the student, but a faculty mentor must be involved. Funds will be awarded to the faculty mentor for disbursement to the student. Work may take place at Bonderman Field Station or at the University of Utah main campus, but should include some time spent at the station. Awards (up to \$1,000) are to be used for supplies, analytical costs, and/or travel (including per diem). Funds may not be used for stipends, travel to meetings, or tuition.

A mid-term report on the student work is due 6 months after the funding is awarded, a final report after 1 year.

Application materials are being accepted on an open timeline, but will be reviewed 3 times annually (May 31, September 30, January 31).

Please submit your application to z.lundeen@utah.edu

Applications forms and examples of past fellowship projects may be found on the Bonderman Field Station website: <http://riomesa.utah.edu>.