

Yellowstone Wildlife Ecology Field Program 2016 Carly Phillips Scholarship Fund Opportunities

Ecology Project International is excited to offer scholarships to up to twelve Yellowstone winter and/or summer program students from Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming for 2016. Scholarships will be awarded based on participant need and desire, which will be judged based on content provided via an essay.

Scholarships Available

In 2016, up to four \$250 scholarships and eight \$125 scholarships will be awarded to defray the cost of student tuition in a winter course (\$450 tuition) or a summer course (\$350 tuition). A student may only receive one Carly Phillips scholarship per calendar year.

Application Process

1. Enroll in EPI's Yellowstone Program via our website. It is not necessary to submit a deposit when enrolling if you apply for a scholarship. Enroll here: http://www.ecologyproject.org/get_involved/enroll_now/

2. Write a **one page essay** that explains:

- (1) Why participating in EPI's Yellowstone Program is important to you
- (2) Why you and your family are seeking scholarship funding to cover your course costs

Make sure the essay includes your contact information: full name, mailing address, telephone number, and email address.

- 3. Send your essay to <u>erindc@ecologyproject.org</u> by January 8th (winter) or May 4th (summer). Please use this subject line: *Carly Phillips Scholarship Application*.
- 4. You'll find out within one week of the deadline whether you've received a scholarship!

Carly Phillips Scholarship Fund

While working with EPI as a field instructor in the summer of 2010, Carly Phillips inspired – and was inspired by – her students. Whether they were Native American youth from remote corners of Montana or Spanish-speaking teens from the Galapagos Islands, Carly's ability to connect with each individual and communicate her enthusiasm for Montana's environment was profound.

As a tribute to Carly, who passed away in March 2011, the Carly Phillips Scholarship Fund supports the participation of Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming youth in EPI's programs. By reaching these students, we celebrate Carly's passion for helping young people, and her infectious enthusiasm for learning. These experiences have powerful impacts in the minds, hearts, and actions of our students who become transformed and more connected to the world around them. We honor Carly's spirit as we inspire the next generation.