



HUYCK PRESERVE

AND BIOLOGICAL RESEARCH STATION

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Huyck Research Grant Recommendation Instructions

Application Deadline: Second Friday of March, 5:00 EST PM

Dear Referee,

The applicant you are writing for is applying for a Huyck Research Grant at the Huyck Preserve and Biological Research Station. The Preserve is located approximately 30 miles southwest of Albany, New York, on the western edge of the Helderberg Plateau. Since the Preserve's establishment in 1931, hundreds of scientists have conducted research here, having been attracted by our diverse habitats and research legacy. More than 80 years later, the Preserve continues to offer research and educational opportunities—such as Huyck Grants, a Senior Research Fellowship, and the Odum Internship—for both established and nascent scientists (see below for more details).

Applications for research grants will not be reviewed without a reference. Your timely response is appreciated. When submitting your letter, include the student's last name in the e-mail subject line and in the file name (example: SMITH_HuyckGrant_REC). Completed recommendations should be submitted by e-mail, by the application deadline, to research@huyckpreserve.org.

Thank you!

In your letter, please address the following:

1. Include your name and contact information (address, e-mail, and phone number) as well as the name of the applicant you are recommending.
2. Indicate your relationship to the applicant.
3. Comment specifically on the work described in the project narrative of the application and give a statement describing the applicants research strengths, weaknesses, and ability to complete the proposed project.



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Research and Educational Opportunities at the Huyck Preserve and Biological Research Station

Odum Internship in Field Ecology

<https://www.huyckpreserve.org/odum-internship.html>

One of the Huyck Preserve and Biological Research Station's primary goals is to foster science education and research. In honor of Eugene Odum, the father of ecosystems ecology, the Preserve offers the Odum Internship for undergraduate students interested in conducting field research. Interns spend eight weeks with visiting scientists developing original research projects in ecology, conservation or environmental and evolutionary biology.

Huyck Grants in support of ecological field research

<https://www.huyckpreserve.org/huyck-research-grants.html>

The Preserve also offers four to five Huyck Grants each year to selected scientists, as well as to postdoctoral and graduate students. We support work in basic and applied ecology, conservation biology, animal behavior, evolution, geology, and other areas of natural science. Grants range from \$1,500-\$3,500 with preference for projects that involve extended residencies.

Senior Research Fellowship for Ph.D.-level researchers

<https://www.huyckpreserve.org/senior-research-fellowship.html>

For well-established scientists, a Senior Research Fellowship is available. Fellows receive a \$10,000 grant and maintain residence at the Preserve for 10 weeks, primarily between May and August. While in residence, Fellows conduct research and direct the Odum Internship program. Fellows, along with Huyck Grant recipients, present their work at the Preserve's annual Science Symposium and participate in educational and outreach activities.

Wildlife Ecology Research

<http://www.huyckpreserve.org/wer>

For young scientists still in high school, the Preserve offers Wildlife Ecology Research, a three week pre-college residential program where students learn ecology through hands-on research. Visiting researchers introduce students to ecological topics using a diverse array of wildlife and research techniques. The program culminates in small group research projects students develop and implement from hypothesis to final paper.

Day or weekend excursions to the Huyck Preserve for instruction in field ecology

The Preserve is also well suited for undergraduate instructors to bring courses on day trips or weekend excursions to give students concrete examples of ecological concepts and exposure to research techniques. We offer housing that can accommodate up to 30 students, access to all of the Preserve's 2,000+ acres, and wet and dry lab space. Visiting classes are free to plan their own programming or can receive tailored instruction from Preserve staff (education@huyckpreserve.org, 518-797-3440).