**Procedures for Awarding**

**Irvin & Agnes E. Nelson Memorial Fellowship**

**For Graduate Student Travel to Professional Meeting**

Irvin & Agnes E. Nelson Memorial Fellowships shall be used for travel expenses in attending a professional meeting for the purpose of presenting research results or otherwise developing professionally. The assistance may be used for other purposes related to the research or the student’s training or professional development

Students meeting the following criteria shall be eligible for the Irvin & Agnes E. Nelson Memorial Fellowships:

* graduate class standing and enrolled in a CASNR graduate program
* involved in a research project(s) closely related to natural resource conservation, including, but not limited to soil, water and wildlife (especially birds).
* demonstrate academic achievement (to include GPA of 3.5 or higher)
* demonstrate the potential for contributing to natural resource conservation, as judged by characteristics such as integrity, dependability, and perseverance.

**Guidelines and Procedures**

1. Nominations should be completed by the student's advisor or faculty member familiar with the student's academic performance.
2. Applications must include the following supporting materials:
* Resume
* Transcripts
* one supporting letter from the advisor

Include any other supporting materials and nominations the unit would like to provide (up to 5 pages).

1. The Chairperson of the Unit Graduate Committee will review the nomination, rank the nominations (if more than one) and submit to the Department Head for endorsement.
2. Once approved by the Unit Graduate Committee and the Unit Head/Chair/Director, the nomination will be forwarded to the CASNR Graduate Fellowship Selection Committee.
3. If the nomination is declined, email notifications will be sent to the Proposer and/or Unit Graduate Committee.

The stipend will be credited to the student’s MyRed account.