

Anne Vallée Ecological Fund

2013 Scolarships

The Anne Vallée Ecological Fund was established in memory of Anne Vallée, a biologist from Laval University (1979) who died of a work accident in 1982 at the now named "Anne Vallée Ecological Reserve" of Triangle Island, BC. She was doing field work on the Tufted Puffin during Master studies at the University of British Columbia.

The Fund is incorporated in Québec and recognized by Canada Revenue Agency and Revenu Québec. It has been constituted following donations of parents and friends. The Fund aims to support field research in animal ecology, in relation with the impact of human activities such as forestry, industry, agriculture and fishing.

Since 1983, the Ecological Fund has attributed a total of 46 awards to candidates from different universities.

In 2010, a scholarship of \$1500 was awarded to Nicolas Courbin for his research on wolf-caribou-moose interactions in fitted out boreal forest.

In 2011, two \$ 1,500 scholarships were awarded to Véronique Cloutier of Laval University for her research on the importance of the dispersion of hypogean fungi by small mammals in the boreal forest, and Kristen B. Gorman of the Simon Fraser University on climate-induced divergence in population dynamics by Pygoscellis penguins.

In 2012, two \$ 1,500 scholarships were awarded to Gabriel Pigeon of Sherbrooke University for his research on the effect of the intensification of the agricultural practices on the level of stress and the immunocompétence of the swallow (Tachycineta bicolor), and Shannan May-McNally of University of British Colombia for her research on the structure of Hybrid zones in native fish species (Artic Charr and Dolly Varden).

This year, two \$1500 awards are offered to graduated students in biology in Quebec or British Colombia.

All applications must be made using the form supplied by the fund and should be sent before March 22th to:

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