The Owen Fellowship of The Longleaf Alliance is an exciting program we are proud to offer in conjunction with the 14th Biennial Longleaf Conference to be held October 25-28, 2022 in Wilmington, North Carolina, and subsequent conferences.

The initial award will be given to a graduate student in the amount of $15,000. The recipient will attend the 2022 conference, submit an article for publication in The Longleaf Leader quarterly magazine, and will submit a poster and presentation about the research at the 2024 conference.

Dr. William ‘Bill’ Owen is a professional musician, educator, and landowner in Virginia. Through his work on the Board of Directors of The Longleaf Alliance, he was inspired to endow a fellowship for advanced studies and research in the longleaf pine ecosystem. He hopes The Owen Fellowship will encourage the next generation of longleaf leaders. We expect all applicants to be official members of The Longleaf Alliance ($25 student rate).

**Required Application Materials**

- A proposal describing the research project and the specific funding needs (2-page, single-spaced maximum). Relevance of the research project to the protection, management, and restoration of the longleaf pine ecosystem must be clearly stated. Salaries not supported.
- Applicants must identify all other current funding for their research and justify the need for The Owen Fellowship Award.
- A curriculum vitae.
- A letter of support from the faculty advisor overseeing the research.
- An unofficial transcript.
- A high-resolution photo of the applicant.

*Required application materials should be sent to Lynnsey Basala, Vice President for Development at lynnsey@longleafalliance.org.*
Applications received
*September 1 - December 31, 2021.*

A committee will review applications *January 1 - March 31, 2022.*
There will be a required Zoom interview for Semi-Finalist Candidates.

Fellowship Award Recipient announced on *April 1, 2022.*
$7,500 fellowship award will be disbursed by *June 1, 2022.*
Awardee must attend the 14th Biennial Longleaf Conference October 25-28, 2022 in Wilmington, NC.

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Awardee must present poster and present research at *Fall 2024 conference - location TBD.*