**Chihuahuan Desert Research Institute (“CDRI”)**

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**Application**

**Dr. James F. Scudday Endowed Scholarship**

**(“Scudday Scholarship”)**

TheScudday Scholarship was created to honor Dr. Jim Scudday, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Sul Ross State University (SRSU) and co-founder of the Chihuahuan Desert Research Institute (CDRI). The $1,000 scholarship is open to graduate students whose thesis research in vertebrate biology is conducted within the Chihuahuan Desert region. Students must possess a GPA of 3.5 or higher for their graduate studies. In addition, the recipient of the Scudday Scholarship shall provide CDRI with a final hard copy of their completed thesis.

**The deadline to apply for the Summer 2024 grant is** **March 29, 2024**.

*Applicant*

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The following items **must** accompany the Scholarship Application as attachments to the Application:

* a copy of your thesis proposal;
* a letter of recommendation from your major advisor;
* one or more additional references with name, email address, and phone number of references;
* your Curriculum Vitae;
* copies of your undergraduate and graduate transcripts;
* a Letter of Interest from you that includes science-based career goals (i.e., how you intend to use your Master’s Degree), honors received, work experience, volunteer work, etc.; and
* an overview describing the anticipated research and associated expenses for which the Scudday Scholarship will be used, linking the research to your thesis proposal.

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Signature Date

**Please submit your completed Application to:** [**lgordon@cdri.org**](mailto:lgordon@cdri.org)

**or Mail to CDRI, P.O. Box 905, Fort Davis, TX 79734.**

**Please direct all questions to** [**lgordon@cdri.org**](mailto:lgordon@cdri.org) **or call 432-364-2499.**

Thank you and best wishes for continued success in your academic and career pursuits. We invite you to visit the CDRI Nature Center & Botanical Gardens, [www.cdri.org](http://www.cdri.org/) to learn more about its Mission and operations.