Wadsworth International Fellowship Application
INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOME SPONSOR’S LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Letters from sponsors: Applicants should request letters from both their home and host sponsors. These letters must be sent by e-mail to (internationalprograms@wennergren.org) no later than the deadline of March 1. Please note that applications cannot be processed unless both letters of recommendation are received by the deadline.

Applicant’s Name __________________________________________

To the home sponsor:

The above candidate is submitting an application to the Wenner-Gren Foundation for a Wadsworth International Fellowship (WIF). This program provides funding for students pursuing a PhD or equivalent doctoral degree at universities where they can receive international-level training in anthropology. Wadsworth International Fellowships are only available to students from countries where anthropology is underrepresented and where there are limited resources to educate students overseas. The program’s goal is to extend and strengthen international ties and deepen anthropological expertise globally.

Home sponsors should be a member of the institution with which the candidate is (or has been) affiliated in their home country. If an applicant has received a master’s degree abroad and has not maintained a strong academic connection in their home country, a faculty member at the institution where the applicant studied can serve as a home sponsor.

Please submit a letter to the Foundation that provides your confidential assessment of the candidate and covers the following points:

(a) the candidate’s qualifications;
(b) the reasons why the candidate desires advanced training in anthropology and why this training is not available in the home country;
(c) the candidate’s suitability for this training; and
(d) the candidate’s employment and research prospects in their home country upon completion of their degree.