Natural Resources Management Program at UNM-Taos

STUDENT APPLICATION

CCC-LIFT PROJECT SUMMARY
The Northern New Mexico Climate Change Corps (CCC) is pleased to offer Leadership in Forestry Training (LIFT) to college students who want a career in Natural Resources Management. The LIFT motto is “Reach Down to Lift Up.” Mentoring for and by students supports degree completion and job placement.

PROGRAM SUMMARY
All LIFT students participate in LIFT events, meetings, and mentoring activities. Failure to participate and maintain eligibility requirements will result in a student’s termination from the project.

Choose from Two Levels of Participation in the CCC-LIFT Project depending on math level:

1. Math Pipeline at UNM-Taos
   Students are paid for completion with a passing grade of pre-algebra math modules.
   
   MATH 1215x = $500  MATH 1215y = $500  MATH 1215z = $600

2. Full Project at UNM-Taos
   Students in MATH 1220 College Algebra or higher receive academic stipends up to $2,000/semester, course advising, math and science tutoring, resume/job preparation, transfer guidance, climate change knowledge, and a limited number of paid internships. Students earn an Associate Degree of Pre-Science in Natural Resources at UNM-Taos and then transfer to a 4-year college to complete their Bachelor’s Degree in a field of study such as Forestry, Wildlife Biology, or Geology.

QUALIFICATIONS for SELECTION
• Current/Registered UNM-T student with a declared Associate Degree in Pre-Science
• Declared interest in natural resources education/career
• Intention to transfer to a 4-yr partner to complete bachelor’s in a natural resources field of study
• Positive reference form
• Minimum GPA of 3.0

Additional Qualifications in Order of Preference
• First Generation to go to college
• Highest GPA (if all other quals met, then selection made in order of highest to lowest GPA)

PROGRAM SELECTION & STUDENT INFORMATION
Contact naturalresources@unm.edu or (575) 737-3758 for information. The project website is CCC.UNM.EDU. CCC and LIFT funding provided by the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture.
DUE DATE AND SUBMISSION
Submit at your soonest convenience to increase your chance of selection to participate.

Application Package Includes:
1. Student Application
2. Course Advisor Signature
3. Recommendation Form

Submit digital applications to:
Natural Resources Management Program at UNM-T
naturalresources@unm.edu
(575) 737-3758

Applicants should be contacted within 2 weeks of submission.

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

This application is for: (Check one.)

○ Math Pipeline at UNM-Taos (Natural Resources students in MATH 1215x, 1215y, or 1215z)

○ CCC-LIFT Project at UNM-Taos (students in MATH 1220 College Algebra or higher)

*To apply to CCC-LIFT, you must have applied to UNM-T and have taken any relevant placement exams.

STUDENT CONTACT INFORMATION (Type or print clearly.)

Name ___________________________ Birth Date _________ Banner ID # (if current college student) _____________

Ethnicity (circle one): Native American Hispanic White African American Asian

Phone Number ________________ Personal Email__________________ School Email__________________

Mailing Address ____________________________________________________________________________

Other Contact Name __________________________ Relationship___________ Phone Number__________________

Are you currently in school? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, where? __________________________ GPA ______

If no, what semester do you plan to begin college? (Fall or Spring) _______ (year) 20___

Did you complete an Associate Degree of Pre-Science at UNM-Taos? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, this degree was completed in (month) _______ (year) 20___

Have your parents, grandparents, or great-grandparents received a degree or certificate beyond high school?
Yes ___ No ___ If yes, describe.

How did you hear about the CCC and LIFT? ________________________________________________

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PROGRAM INFORMATION
Complete the information below for the program to which you are applying.

UNM-Taos Math Pipeline
What semester will you take the courses below?
   MATH 11215x (Fall or Spring) ______ (year) 20___
   MATH 1215y (Fall or Spring) ______ (year) 20___
   MATH 1215z (Fall or Spring) ______ (year) 20___

Who is your course advisor at UNM-Taos? _________________________

OR

UNM-Taos Full CCC-LIFT Project
Are you a current UNM-Taos student? _____

   If not, when will you enroll at UNM-Taos? (month) ______ (year) 20___

Check one:
   Full-time student _____ Part-time student _____

   If part-time, how many hours per semester? _____

What is the highest college math you have completed or received transfer credit for at UNM-Taos?
   Course # _______ Course Name________________

   Or, what math class did you test into at UNM-Taos? Course # _______ Course Name________________

Expected Graduation Date with Associate of Pre-Science from UNM-T (month) _______ (year) 20___

What bachelor’s degree do you want to earn?
   Forestry ____  Geology ____  Wildlife Biology ____  Don’t Know ___

Name of Course Advisor at UNM-Taos _________________________

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STUDENT APPLICATION ESSAYS
(Type or print clearly.)

Provide a brief bio describing where you are from and work/school/family experiences that shape who you are.

What are your academic and career goals? How do these relate to being in the CCC-LIFT project?

What strengths do you bring to this program?

What obstacles to your success in this program do you face?

Give an example of a situation in which your participation led to successful and positive results.
RECOMMENDATION FORM
(Type or print clearly.)

*If you are a High School Student this form must be completed by a teacher at your current school.
*If you are a current or prospective UNM-T student, this form must be completed by an instructor or employer.

Name of Student ______________________________
Name of Reference ______________________________ Title/Position ________________________
Phone _______________________ Email _____________________________

How long have you known the student? __________
How do you know the student?

The CCC-LIFT project at UNM-Taos and NMHU supports students to achieve degree completion and job placement in Natural Resources Management. Why is this a good fit for the person you are recommending?

How has this person demonstrated commitment and follow-through?

What are this person’s strengths?

What challenges does this person face in achieving their academic/career goals?

Final comments?

Reference Signature ________________________________

Submission of Recommendation Form
• Email directly to naturalresources@unm.edu, (575) 737-3758

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