The Clay Minerals Society annually awards several grants of up to $2500 through its student research grant program.

**Purpose**
The research program is designed to provide partial financial support of masters and doctoral research for graduate students of clay science and technology in United States universities.

**Selection**
Applications will be judged on a competitive basis. The qualifications of the applicant, the financial need of the research project, and the design of the research project are evaluated. Applicants selected will be nominated by a four-member CMS committee and approved by the CMS Council.

**Application**
Each applicant must complete an Application for Research Grant form available from the CMS office and must obtain confidential evaluations from two faculty members at his or her university.

**Use of Funds**
Individual grants will not exceed $2500. Grant money may be used for the costs of travel by the grantee to conduct research, room and board associated with research-related field work, or for the costs of equipment, supplies, and analyses required to complete the research. Reimbursement, up to $500, from the grant, for expenses incurred while presenting a paper at the CMS conference on the thesis research, is also allowed. Recipients can apply for grants on subsequent years.

To receive a Research Grant Application, please contact
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Also of Interest to Students
CMS offers a reduced student membership rate of $17.00 per year, entitling students to:
- a subscription to *Clays and Clay Minerals*, one of the leading journals in the field of clay science
- registration materials for the annual Clay Minerals Conference, including workshops and field trips
- information on awards for best student papers and posters given at the annual meeting
- access to the Source Clays Project, which provides homogeneous clay samples for research purposes
- discounts on selected books of interest to clay scientists
- updated information on the Society's latest publications, including the Workshop Review Series
- the lively quarterly newsletter, *CMS News*.

Through its conferences and publications, The Clay Minerals Society offers students the best means of following the many-sided growth of the clay sciences and of meeting fellow scientists and technologists with widely different backgrounds and interests.

For membership information, contact the Society office at the above address.