

GAULT RESEARCH AWARDS



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About the Gault Research Awards

Gault Nature Reserve is proud to provide support for research. Research projects provide valuable experience and are a major stepping-stone to a student's career, particularly if they are interested in pursuing graduate studies. Learn more about us: gault.mcgill.ca.

Selection Criteria

This Award will be granted through a competitive review process, evaluated by an impartial committee of faculty members. The selection of recipients will be based on the quality of the proposed research, its relevance to the mission of the Reserve, and the educational background of the student. Each selected project is eligible for a maximum grant of \$10,000.

To be eligible, the **project** must fulfill the following criteria:

- The research must be **conducted fully (or in large part)** at the [Gault Nature Reserve](#) (Mont-Saint-Hilaire, QC) or at the [Wilder and Helen Penfield Nature Conservancy](#) (Austin, QC);
- Limit of one project per lab / research group;
- Collaborative projects will be favoured.

To be eligible, **candidates** must fulfill the following criteria:

- Is or will be a full-time undergraduate or graduate student at McGill University during the coming academic year (2025-2026) **or** was a student in the previous academic year (2024-2025);
- Has not previously received a Gault Research Award for the same degree;
- Demonstrates a strong interest in field-based research **or** in analyzing data that is relevant to Gault's [mission](#);
- Commits to participating in outreach activities highlighting their research with local communities and visitors of the Reserve (e.g., through blog posts, informational kiosks, etc.)

Application Process

1. Prepare the following documents, in a single PDF, in this order:
 - A cover letter;

- A description of the proposed research (one page maximum);
 - A detailed plan outlining the intended use of the funds.
 - A CV including a summary of past training and research experience;
 - A university transcript;
 - A letter of support from the project supervisor(s).
2. Fill out the [Research Permit Application form](#) (takes approximately 10 minutes) so that the Gault Nature Reserve executive committee has time to review your project before the start of the field season.
 3. Send us your application by filling out the [Gault Research Award Application form](#) (takes approximately 5 minutes).

The decision of the selection committee will be shared with you by email. If you have questions, contact us at science@reservegault.ca.

Deadline for applying: April 4, 2025