

**Call for Applications**  
**Spring 2026 Drickamer-Sellers Award**  
**for Community-Based Experiences**  
**(open to all currently enrolled NAU Honors students)**

The NAU Honors College is pleased to accept applications for the Spring 2026 Drickamer-Sellers Award for Community-Based Experiences. Funded through a generous gift, the awards support immersive student learning through community engagement and experiential education. The award is \$2,000 per semester, and students are expected to be enrolled in three credit hours of Honors independent study or field work. Students are welcome to work individually or in pairs. Those working in pairs should plan to submit separate applications that reference the collaborative project; if the application is successful, each team member will be awarded \$2,000 for the semester.

**Applications are due November 15, 2025, by 5:00 PM PDT.** The application form is attached to this document. Interested students should note the following:

1. Awardees will be expected to enroll in credit-bearing Honors independent research or field work hours while holding the award.
2. Awardees are eligible to apply for additional support.
3. The attached application requires a proposal that includes a description of research; signature from a faculty mentor; and plans for presenting the results of the research, including a brief impact video.

**Questions:**

Contact Dr. Kevin Gustafson, Dean of the Honors College

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**DEADLINE: November 15, 2025, by 5:00 PM PDT**

A COMPLETE APPLICATION WILL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING:

1. A COMPLETED AND SIGNED APPLICATION FORM.
2. A COPY OF THE APPLICANT'S UNOFFICIAL NAU TRANSCRIPT.
3. A WRITING SAMPLE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW).

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY.**

### Biographical Information

Name: Preferred Pronouns:  
NAU ID#:  
Mailing Address:  
City: State: Zip:  
Phone #: NAU E-mail:

### Academic Information

Major: Minor:  
2<sup>nd</sup> Major: 2<sup>nd</sup> Minor:

Expected Graduation Date as found in LOUIE:

Current Cumulative GPA:

Title of Proposed Research Project:

Name of Research Mentor:

Title of Research Mentor:

Signature of Research Mentor: Date:

*(By signing this document, I agree to serve as mentor for this research project.)*

## Writing Sample

PROMPT: Write an essay of 800 words (single-spaced, 12-point font, one-inch margins) in which you do the following: 1) describe your proposed research and its relation to a community need; 2) identify a community partner for this project that is currently engaged in studying or addressing this need; 3) outline the scope of work and its potential impact, whether by directly meeting a need or proposing a policy change; and 4) discuss how this project relates to your academic plans, whether in your major or Honors, and your long-term academic or professional goals.

**An unsigned application will be considered invalid.**

*I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.*

Signature of Applicant:

**Date:**

**Please submit your completed application via:**

PDF to [Honors@nau.edu](mailto:Honors@nau.edu)

or

Hard copy to the Honors College Front Desk, Bldg. 041, First Floor