

THE
COOPER
UNION
INSTITUTE
FOR
SUSTAINABLE
DESIGN

CUISD

SUMMER CHALLENGE FELLOWSHIP

FELLOWSHIP MISSION STATEMENT

Sustainability, living in harmony with the natural processes of the planet, is the central challenge of the twenty first century. No part of that challenge is more pivotal than addressing global warming, the alteration of earth's climate dynamics.

The mission of The Cooper Union Institute for Sustainable Design is to promote leadership in sustainability within The Cooper community. As part of that effort, The Institute will award a student fellowship for scientific and visual research on a chosen theme of sustainability.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Applications must be submitted to The Cooper Union Institute of Sustainable Design at the following email: isd@cooper.edu by **Monday, April 22nd, 2015**, at **11:00 pm EST**. Applications should include a proposal (up to 500 words), and may include up to five images. The text and images should be sent as one pdf file, not as individual files. Additionally, each team member must submit a digital copy of their academic transcript to the above email.

A jury from the faculty of the schools of The Cooper Union will select the winners. Results will be announced by May 15th.

2015 THEME

VISUALIZING CLIMATE CHANGE CALL FOR PROPOSALS

In its inaugural year, The Institute's fellowship competition will take the theme of Visualizing Climate Change. We invite project proposals that focus on understanding global warming and illuminate leverage points for addressing it. Projects should aim to investigate a specific phenomenon related to climate change and its effects on geography, economics, security, and/or social stability. Each project should combine scientific research with a visual component that invents a way to represent research findings to a larger audience. The projects will be exhibited at The Cooper Union in the fall of 2015.

Interdisciplinary teams of two or three students from the various schools will be given preference (although individual submissions will also be considered). Students may optionally team up with other applicants on a proposal or direct fellowship-related questions to a moderator via The Institute's fellowship forum: <https://www.tumblr.com/blog/cuisdfellowship>

Three fellowships in the amount of \$1,500 per project will be awarded in the spring of 2015 for use during the summer of 2015 and the fall 2015 semester. Awards will be made on the basis of merit to students who have attended The Cooper Union for at least one year and who will be enrolled for the 2015-2016 academic year. Fellowships are intended to provide a stipend to students involved in sustainability research. Students who are awarded the fellowships must agree to exhibit their work publicly during the following academic year.

