2023-2024 University of Wyoming Collaboration Program in Natural Resources Application

New! Early Bird Applications! Do you already know that you want to participate in the next CPNR cohort? Please submit your application by December 31 to confirm your spot in the 2023-2024 cohort. Early bird decisions will be made by January 20.

Regular CPNR Applications: All other completed applications must be received via email by April 28. Decisions will be made on a rolling basis from January 1 – April 28th, typically within two weeks of receipt of applications.

To Apply: Please use the online application to complete and submit your application to the next CPNR cohort. You will not be able to save your responses and return later. You may want to answer the questions in a Word document and cut and paste your responses into the form. If you are unable to access the online application, you can submit your application as a single PDF, and email it to <u>deb@lupinecollaboration.com</u>.

Questions? Reach out to CPNR Director Deb Kleinman.

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PROGRAM DATES, 2024-2025

All program sessions begin at noon on Wednesday and end at noon on Friday, except for the August and April sessions.

- For the August session at the Ten Sleep Preserve, participants should plan on arriving in Ten Sleep the afternoon or evening of August 20th for a program start of 8am August 21^{st,}
- The April session typically includes 1-2 days of presentations (based on the number of participants) and a day long symposium open to the broader community of practitioners and CPNR alum.

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In addition, please plan to participate in 60-90 minute zoom calls in between sessions that prepare you for the in-person sessions. We will attempt to coordinate the inter-session calls with participant schedules.

TUITION

The Program tuition is \$1,300 per person, which partially covers costs associated with program experiences, materials, and meals provided during sessions (lunch on days 1-2, and breakfast on days 2-3). The tuition must be paid in full by July 1. Tuition is not refundable if a participant withdraws from the program (though it may be applied to a future year). Transportation, lodging, and other related expenses are the responsibility of the participant.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name (First, Last)

Preferred Name

Organization/Employer

Title/Position

Years in current position

Mailing Address

Work Phone

Cell Phone

Email Address

Education (formal and informal training relevant to CPNR, including degrees, certifications, and other trainings; please include year completed)

How did you hear about the program?

Who will be responsible for tuition? (You, your employer, a sponsor, and/or scholarship request)

Upload your resume or CV

Optional Gender

Race/Ethnicity

Age

QUESTIONS: Please respond to the following questions. Maximum 300 words per response.

Describe a recent situation that illustrates how you collaborate with others in solving complex problems or navigating challenging conflicts.

How does CPNR fit into your professional journey to date, and how might it fit into your future plans?

What difference will your participation in CPNR make for you, your organization, your partners and collaborators, and/or your community?

An important component of the program is the completion of a practicum project, where participants apply the skills and knowledge learned through the program to a collaborative problem or opportunity in the real world. A practicum project involves you in a leadership role, deals with an issue in your community or organization, and has an element of collaboration or consensus-building. We will work with you to assist you in all aspects of your project, but it helps to have a few ideas coming in to the program. What are your preliminary ideas for a practicum project?

SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT

There are limited funds available to provide tuition and/or travel support to participants. Priority will be given to applicants who:

- Would be unable to participate in CPNR without some financial support;
- Represent a group that is typically underrepresented in collaborative natural resource professions in Wyoming and/or the US;
- Are based in Wyoming or the Rocky Mountain Region; and/or
- Are in a position to help grow Wyoming's collaborative capacity by fostering organizational change; supporting collaboration as a convener, sponsor, or participant; etc.

You only need to complete this section if you are requesting financial support. If you are not making such a request, please proceed to the Participant Agreement on the next page.

Will you be seeking scholarship support for travel and/or tuition?

Tuition Travel Both

Briefly, how do you meet the priorities for support as outlined above?

How much are you requesting for tuition?

How much are you requesting for travel?

If you are requesting travel support, please include a simple budget estimating direct expenses. Use the GSA rates for the current fiscal year to estimate lodging and meals (link here). Due to the limited availability of funds, CPNR is unable to provide support for the following: travel time to and from sessions; lodging where the rates exceed the GSA rate for the location and/or the negotiated rate provided to participants, or mileage reimbursement for personal vehicles. You can include estimates for car rentals and fuel. Travel support will be distributed on a reimbursement basis for actual expenses incurred.

PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT: Roles, Responsibilities, & Commitments

Participants in the Collaboration Program in Natural Resources must commit the time required to participate in six sessions, usually beginning at noon with lunch on the first day and end at noon on the third day, with the possibility of optional field trips and local tours the morning of the first day or the afternoon of the last day. In between sessions, participants will be asked to complete reading assignments and self-assessments, participate in discussions, and engage with each other online.

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CPNR in person sessions are designed to be in person. They are highly interactive, and are not designed to for hybrid participation. We also know that unexpected emergencies can come up, so we do our best to help participants catch up afterwards. If you know now that you may need to miss more than one half of a session when you apply, reach out to the CPNR Program Director to discuss options.

An important component of the program is the completion of a practicum project, where participants apply the skills and knowledge learned through the program to a collaborative problem or opportunity in their community, or in their work setting. Participants will be asked to submit a formal proposal for their practicum at the September session, and final presentations will take place prior to graduation in April.

To Be Completed By Applicant: I am willing and able to make the following commitments if invited to be a participant in the Collaboration Program in Natural Resources. I understand that if I am unable to make these commitments, it may not be the right time for me to apply.

I will commit the time necessary to participate in all CPNR sessions and fulfill program assignments

I will be an active participant in the program, and agree to participate in all program activities

I will be prepared to propose a project for my practicum with the guidance of program faculty, and to dedicate the time necessary to complete my project by April

I have my supervisor's support to participate fully in the program (if applicable)

Applicant Signature:

Print/Type Name:

Date: