



The Foundation

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Visiting Lecture Program for Constituent Law Schools of The Foundation for Natural Resources and Energy Law

To encourage the exchange of ideas and expertise between Constituent Law Schools (CLS) of The Foundation for Natural Resources and Energy Law (the Foundation) and between expert practitioner-members of the Foundation and Constituent Law Schools, the Foundation established its Visiting Lecture Program in 2017. CLS are eligible to receive funding to reimburse travel costs for a CLS professor or an experienced practitioner to travel to another CLS to teach a law school class or provide a scholarly lecture to the law school community or both.

Criteria: Funding under the Visiting Lecture Program may be provided for (i) a professor (including a professor emeritus or adjunct professor) from a CLS who has been actively involved or has demonstrated a desire to be more actively involved with Foundation activities to travel to another CLS; or (ii) a practitioner (including a retired practitioner) who has been actively involved in the activities of the Foundation to travel to a CLS; provided that the following criteria are applied:

- (1) The professor or practitioner will give one or more scholarly or practical talks or law school class sessions focused on laws and regulations relating to mining, oil and gas, energy, public lands, water, environmental, or international law;
- (2) preference will be given to applications that provide that the professor or practitioner will both give a talk to the CLS community and teach a class;
- (3) funding for the Visiting Lecture Program shall include reasonable and necessary travel expenses, not to exceed \$2,000 (USD) per visit;
- (4) no CLS shall receive more than one award for the Visiting Lecture Program in any 24-month period;
- (5) the CLS receiving the award shall use reasonable efforts to recognize the Foundation's Visiting Lecture Program as the source of funding; and

(6) the total amount expended for the Visiting Lecture Program shall not exceed more than one-third of the budget for the entire Foundation Grants Program in any fiscal year of the Foundation, as that budget may be revised from time to time.

Application Process: Please email a cover letter and project description including the following information to grants@rmmlf.org:

- (1) Your contact details and qualifications to undertake the project;
- (2) a description of the classes or lectures to be provided, including the size and makeup of the intended audience;
- (3) a budget of total anticipated expenses, including other sources of support being sought or received; and
- (4) the amount and intended use of the funds you are requesting, broken out by budget line item or specific category.

The Foundation's Grants Committee will consider applications and make decisions as to funding.

Awards may not be made for recurring projects or programs; projects that involve political or positional advocacy; litigation; scholarships, fellowships, or visiting professorships (which in the latter case shall mean the appointment of a person on the faculty of a law school as a "visiting professor" for a semester or more as that term "visiting professor" is traditionally used in academia).

The Visiting Lecture Program is not intended to limit or restrict the Foundation's Grants Committee from awarding other Foundation Grants to a CLS, or limit or restrict the eligibility of a CLS to receive funding in accordance with other Foundation Outreach Programs, including funding for other expenses that relate to a visit under the Visiting Lecture Program (such as Foundation Networking Grants).

For the Visiting Lecture Program, the Foundation will only reimburse actual travel expenses after the completion of travel supported by receipts in accordance with the Foundation's travel reimbursement policies, not to exceed the approved travel budget. Generally, permissible travel expenses include airfare, shuttle service or Uber (or equivalent) between the airport and hotel or law school, and hotel. The Foundation does not reimburse meals or incidental expenses for travel.