



## **APPLICATION FOR TINKER FIELD RESEARCH AWARD 2023**

The Tinker Foundation was created in 1959 by Dr. Edward Larocque Tinker. Its mission is to promote the development of an equitable, sustainable and productive society in Latin America and to enhance understanding in the United States of Latin America and how US policies may impact the region. Funding for these awards is provided by the Tinker Foundation and Vanderbilt University.

Awards are for approximately \$2,500 each and are intended primarily to support travel expenses related to field research for individuals conducting pre-thesis or pre-dissertation research in Latin America during the summer of 2023. Any Vanderbilt graduate student with Latin American-related interests is eligible to apply. The award is NOT intended for advanced dissertation research, but rather to support initial hands-on field research and the development of independent research projects. These funds cannot be used for the promotion of a religion.

**Post-fellowship requirements:** Recipients will be required to submit a report of research activities by August 15, 2023, including project title, a general description of research activities, and a general account of expenditure of funds.

Submit application materials in .pdf form via email to **Gretchen Selcke**, CLACX Director of Graduate Studies, [gretchen.s.selcke@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:gretchen.s.selcke@vanderbilt.edu).

Write in the Subject line of your email: 2023-Tinker-Application

Your application should include the following documents, submitted as a single pdf:

1. This application form, filled out
2. Project description
3. Budget
4. Transcript

**Applications are due by February 1, 2023. Awards will be announced by mid-March.**



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**I. Personal Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Campus or home address (Street, City, State, Zip Code): \_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Department or Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree being pursued and current year of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Degrees received:

Degree	Year	Major/minor/concentration	Institution	GPA

Classes taken in Spanish, Portuguese, and/or indigenous Latin American language (list the highest level reached first):

Previous research and travel experience in Latin America:

Other summer grants or fellowships you are applying for (in order of preference):

**II. Financial Aid**

Do you come from an economically disadvantaged (ED) background (Y/N)? \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Family Contribution (EFC) amount from your most recent FAFSA form: \_\_\_\_\_



List all forms of financial aid you receive at your current institution during the academic year:

Describe your funding needs for 2022-2023, including housing, living stipend, and any other considerations:

### III. Project Description

Briefly discuss your proposed project, work plan, and travel plans (be specific). Explain how this research trip fits into your academic program and your future plans. Discuss your research methodology and include a budget for the requested amount. Single space and limited to three pages; submit as a pdf. A brief bibliography may be added on an additional page.

### IV. Budget

Attach a project budget that includes

1. Projected airfare
2. Projected US travel expenses (rideshare, baggage fee, etc.)
3. Projected in-country travel expenses (taxi, rental car, boat, airfares, etc.)
4. Lodging, food, other expenses
5. Total amount requested

### V. References

Please list two faculty members (with e-mail and phone number) that can be contacted (ask whether they would be willing to write on your behalf but do not request them to submit letters of recommendations if not contacted by the chair of the selection committee):

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

### VI. Transcript

The application must include a .pdf scan of your (unofficial) Vanderbilt transcript.