



**COLORADO
WATER CENTER**
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

Diversifying Water Workforce

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Colorado Water Center

- **Mission**

Addresses water issues affecting Colorado communities through meaningful collaboration and engagement, education and training, and applied research.

- **Focus Areas**

- **Water Workforce Development**

- Education, training, student internships, scholarships, networking opportunities

- **Water Equity**

- Programs that promote equitable access to water resources and diverse water workforce
- Water Fellows Program

- **Agricultural Water Management**

- Research and promote adoption of low water crop management practices

Water Challenges





Water Fellows Program

The Colorado Water Center (CoWC) Water Fellows Program advances the next generation of diverse water leaders by training and connecting undergraduate and graduate students from historically excluded/ marginalized communities or identities to careers and opportunities in the water field.

- **Program Details**

- Students receive a \$1000 stipend per academic year
- Monthly meetings on a variety of water topics
 - Water Law, Water quality, Water equity, Agriculture, etc
- Participate in Colorado water conferences for free
- Summer Internships

WE WELCOME

ALL RACES AND ETHNICITIES
ALL RELIGIONS
ALL COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN
ALL GENDER IDENTITIES
ALL SEXUAL ORIENTATIONS
ALL ABILITIES AND DISABILITIES
ALL SPOKEN LANGUAGES
ALL AGES
EVERYONE.

**WE STAND HERE WITH YOU
YOU ARE SAFE HERE**

* Content adapted from the original "We Welcome" sign created by IPRC members Lisa Mangum and Jason Lovitt.

2023-2024 Water Fellows

25 Water Fellows, 18 Majors

- Anthropology
- Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
- Chemical and Biological Engineering
- Chemistry
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Ecosystem Science and Sustainability
- Environmental Engineering
- Environmental Science
- Ethnic Studies
- Family and Consumer Services
- Geosciences
- Horticulture
- Political Science
- Social Work
- Sociology
- Social Science - Society and the Environment
- Soil and Crop Sciences
- Systems Engineering

2023-2024 Water Fellows



Colorado State University - Fort Collins

20 students

1st Year (2), 2nd Year (1), 3rd Year (3), 4th Year/ 5th Year (6), Masters (6), Ph.D. (2)



Denver Water Fellows

Metropolitan State University, One World One Water Center

5 students

3rd year (2), 4th/5th year (2), Masters (1)

Connection to Water Experts





Expanding Colorado Water Fellows Program

- **Funded by:**
 - Colorado Water Conservation Board
 - CSU Spur
- **2-year Pilot Program**
 - Colorado Mesa University, Ruth Powell Hutchins Water Center
 - Fort Lewis College, Four Corners Water Center
 - Metropolitan State University, One World, One Water Center
 - University of Colorado
 - University of Denver Sturm College of Law
- **Reaching an additional 50 students**



Ways to get involved

<https://watercenter.colostate.edu/studentfellows/>



Apply to be a guest speaker



Submit a 2024 Summer Internship



Sponsor students



Water Fellows Website



Thank you!

- **Contact Information**

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