



ONE WOMAN'S LEGACY



**APPLICATIONS
2023**





Above: Students discussing domatia on an Acacia tree that's playing host to the native *Crematogaster* ants at Ol Pejeta Conservancy. Image credit: Rio

APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN FOR THE ONE WOMAN'S LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP!

Are you passionate about nature conservation? Are you committed to being a global leader in protecting our planet? Then, let us help you achieve your goals!

The Shannon Elizabeth Foundation (SEF) is now accepting applications for its highly anticipated One Woman's Legacy Scholarship (OWL). This scholarship seeks to remove barriers to entry in the conservation industry and nurture female leadership where it's needed most. In addition, it will further allow recipients to immerse themselves in their career pursuits and leave their own legacy on this planet.

OWL aims to revolutionize global attitudes towards conservation in Africa and the rest of the developing world by reinventing the landscape of power, building capacity, introducing compassion, and amplifying the voices of African women.

Who Should Apply?

Any woman committed to a career in the conservation sciences or care of our natural world should apply. Some examples include biology, ecology, veterinary medicine, marine biology, environmental policy and law, environmental economics, climate change studies, and other related curriculums.

When Can I Apply?

Applications for the 2023 academic year open on April 1, 2022 and all applications must reach the Shannon Elizabeth Foundation by June 30, 2022.

What Is Included In The OWL Scholarship?

SEF believes that you should be free to commit one hundred percent of your efforts to your studies.

Therefore, this scholarship includes:

- Full academic tuition fees
- All course materials & requirements
- All equipment necessary to complete studies
- Accommodation and living expenses
- Selected travel & transport
- Medical aid
- Global mentor network
- Access to conferences and career guidance seminars

Is OWL Equal Opportunity?

Yes. The Shannon Elizabeth Foundation, including the One Woman's Legacy Scholarship, encourages all women to apply who are passionate about the natural world and have verifiable challenges in accessing academic funding.

How Do I Apply?

The application document is available at <https://shannonelizabeth.classter.com/Actions/Registration>.

For more information, please email owl@shannonelizabeth.org.

The Shannon Elizabeth Foundation

SEF, founded by American actress and conservationist Shannon Elizabeth, is committed to repairing our broken relationship with the natural world. The organization invests in youth empowerment, law and legislation, education and awareness, endangered species breeding programs, community upliftment, and the rescue and rehabilitation of endangered animals. SEF has offices in the United States of America and South Africa and comprises a global network of conservationists, investors, mentors, and collaborators. This ensures that our scholars will not only have access to academic tuition of the highest standard but also to excellent career counselors and mentors from around the world.

For more information on the Foundation, please visit shannonelizabeth.org.



Above: Merlyn Nkomo is the first scholar of the Shannon Elizabeth Foundation's One Woman's Legacy Scholarship and is also the Program Director.

Meet Merlyn Nkomo!

Merlyn is the OWL Program Director at the Shannon Elizabeth Foundation and the first recipient of the One Woman's Legacy Scholarship. Her story is inspiring, and she represents the aspirations of the organization. As a first-generation graduate, Merlyn has, from her humble beginnings in Zimbabwe, successfully obtained her undergraduate, honors, and master's degrees. With the OWL scholarship support, she has now embarked on a Ph.D. program at the University of Cape Town. Merlyn has been involved in authoring this scholarship from its inception and brings a deep understanding of what it means to be a young woman commencing a career in conservation.

Left: Shannon Elizabeth is the driving force of our foundation. Her commitment to conservation and endangered animals is matched only by her passion for helping to uplift women to become prominent leaders in healing our planet.



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