



## Ellis R. Kerley Forensic Sciences

F O U N D A T I O N

The Ellis R. Kerley Forensic Sciences Foundation was established in 2000 in memory of Ellis R. Kerley Ph.D., Forensic Anthropologist (1924-1998). Dr. Kerley was a pioneer in the creation of Forensic Anthropology. The Foundation, a charitable organization, is dedicated to furthering the development of forensic anthropology by assisting students and professionals in the field of anthropology and support research in the forensic analysis of the skeleton.



### Our Mission

The Ellis R. Kerley Forensic Sciences Foundation works on behalf and at the direction of the Board of Directors to develop and encourage the science of Anthropology while enhancing educational opportunities through scholarship awards and enrichment programs for students who demonstrate, through academic excellence and leadership in their communities, their capacity for and commitment to making a difference in the field of forensic anthropology. The personal and educational development of anthropology scholars and the contributions they make to the forensic field, their communities, and educational institutions embodies the essence of the Foundation's mission.

The board is committed to issuing one scholarship per academic year to a qualified graduate level student who meets the following criteria:

- has undergraduate degree from an accredited school with an outstanding academic record
- is currently enrolled in a graduate program leading to either a masters or doctorate degree in biological anthropology or forensic anthropology
- is studying at a university that has a Diplomate of the ABFA or an AAFS Member/Fellow on the faculty
- is sponsored by a member of the ABFA by written recommendation
- is an AAFS student member or higher-level member in the Anthropology section

### How do I apply?

Please go to our website at: [www.elliskerleyfoundation.org](http://www.elliskerleyfoundation.org) and look under Awards / Scholarships / Application Form. Fill out the on-line form and submit the required documents. Applications are due by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### When are scholarships awarded?

Applicants will be notified when their application has been received and again when the Directors have made a decision. Decisions are typically made during the summer, prior to August 1<sup>st</sup>. Official announcements are made by August 15<sup>th</sup>. Checks will be issued to the school and the student before the end of August of that year.

