2019 Graduate Student Scholarships & Awards

Submit selections to the PSLA Department Chair by March 11, 2019

Wallace K. Bailey, Sr. Research Support Grant $1,000
This grant is to support graduate student research in horticulture and plant science. Priority consideration will be given to applicant conducting research on horticultural and specialty crop plant species. Funds may be used to cover expenses of research activities in completion of thesis and dissertation studies. To apply, submit one copy each of the following: Brief (4-6 page) proposal describing planned research with detailed budget. Letter of support from applicant’s graduate advisor indicating current and pending funding from other sources.

Leland E. and Catherine B. Scott Award $1,000
This award was established in 1975 to honor an “outstanding horticulture” graduate student on the basis of: 1) academic standing, 2) diligence, and 3) potential for achievement in a horticultural career. The recipient is selected by the Graduate Committee from students nominated by their advisors.

NOTE: Graduate students in Turf and Landscape Architecture are also eligible to receive this award.

John H. Weinberger Scholarship $1,000
The John H. Weinberger scholarship provides support for deserving graduate students enrolled in the department. The recipients are chosen on the basis of financial need. The funds shall be granted for remission of, but not limited to, such expenses as tuition, mandatory fees and/or health benefits.
Outstanding Graduate Assistant Awards

The Graduate School wants to recognize the outstanding contributions that these GAs provide to students, faculty, departments, administrative units, and the University as a whole. While the Awards carry no cash prize, they convey the honor of being named among the top 2% of campus GAs in a given year. The GS will make approximately 80 Outstanding Graduate Assistant Awards annually and will recognize the awardees for 2019 at our Annual Fellowship and Award Celebration on May 9, 2019. Graduate students must be currently enrolled masters or doctoral students holding at least a half-time graduate assistantship (TA, RA, or AA) for AY18-19.

*NOTE:* Selections must be submitted to the Chair by the stated deadline in order to submit required documents to The Graduate School before their April 20, 2019 deadline.

Visit The Graduate School for more information regarding the Outstanding Graduate Assistant Awards.

All-S.T.A.R. Fellowship $10,000

The Graduate All-S.T.A.R. Fellowships are intended to honor graduate students who are both outstanding scholars and outstanding graduate assistants. This supplemental fellowship provides $10,000 stipend. The student selected must be returning as an enrolled student in AY 18-19 and must hold a graduate assistantship during this time period.

Eligible candidates are currently enrolled UMD graduate students who hold at least a half-time graduate assistantship (RA, TA, or GA). The completion of at least two semesters of graduate assistantship experience is required.

*NOTE:* Selections must be submitted to the Chair by the stated deadline in order to submit required documents to The Graduate School before their April 21, 2019 deadline.

Visit The Graduate School for more information regarding the All-S.T.A.R. Fellowship.

For questions contact:
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Applications are due March 11 2019
Wallace K. Bailey, Sr. Research Support Grant

The family of Wallace K. Bailey, Sr., 1933 graduate of the University of Maryland, College Park, has established the Wallace K. Bailey, Sr. fund to support graduate student research in horticulture and plant science. Research awards of up to $1,000 will be made available to students in the Plant Science graduate program who are studying horticultural science. Funds may be used to cover expenses of research activities in completion of thesis and dissertation studies.

Eligibility and Application:

☐ Applicants must be currently enrolled in the Plant Science graduate program.

☐ Priority consideration will be given to applicant conducting research on horticultural and specialty crop plant species.

☐ To apply, please submit one copy of each of the following:
  ▪ Brief (4 – 6 page) proposal describing planned research with detailed budget indicating how requested funds will be used.
  ▪ Letter of support from the applicant’s graduate advisor indicating current and pending funding from other sources.

Application Dates and Submission:

☐ Completed application packets are DUE MARCH 11, 2019

☐ Submit applications to The Office of the Chair, Department of Plant Science and Landscape Architecture, 2104A, Plant Sciences Building, University of Maryland, College Park, MD.

Review and Selection Process:

☐ Proposals will be reviewed by the Plant Science Graduate Admissions and Examination Review Committee and ranked as to research funding needs. The Plant Science Graduate Admissions and Examination Review Committee will provide the Department Chair with an award recommendation.

☐ The Department Chair will contact the successful applicant.

For further information, contact:

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