

Other Sources of Funding for Graduates in the Department of Botany and Plant Pathology

Moldenke Plant Systematics Endowment

This fund supports student travel in plant systematics, in particular, travel to herbaria to study preserved plants, and to field sites to collect specimens for plant systematics research. Applications due in January.

Bonnie Templeton Endowment Fund

This fund supports graduate student research in systematics. Applications due in January.

Hardman Native Plant Research Endowment

This fund supports graduate student research concerning the native plants of Oregon. Applications due in January.

Leslie and Vera Gottlieb Research Fund in Plant Evolutionary Biology

This fund supports both laboratory and field research in the evolutionary biology of plants native to western North America. Applications due in May.

Larry Moore Award for Graduate Education in Plant Pathology

This fund supports graduate student education in plant pathology. Applications due in April.

Portland Garden Club Katherine R. Pamplin Scholarship Fund

This fund supports research involving aspects of native plant biology, rare and endangered plant conservation, and environmental effects on native plants. Applications due in January.

For details about Gottlieb, Hardman, Moldenke, Portland Garden Club and Templeton Scholarships contact **Dr. Aaron Liston**
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For details about Moore, and Summers Scholarships contact **Dr. Lynda M. Ciuffetti**
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Anita S. Summers Graduate Student Travel Fund



“Not only did I gain experience in scientific communication through my poster presentation, I was exposed to research relevant to my field, as well as to the field of plant pathology as a whole.”

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Established in December, 2002, this fund is made possible by generous contributions from **Anita S. Summers** and **John S. Niederhauser**, friends and supporters of our department and who together wished to enhance the educational experience of our graduate students.

Anita and Herb Summers were generous supporters of a number of programs at Oregon State University, including Presidential Scholarships, the Agricultural Honors Scholarship, establishment of the Wheat Research Endowed Chair, and an Educational Endowment, whose annual income has benefited the Department of Botany and Plant Pathology.

Anita, who passed away on July 22, 2008, was a Eugene native and graduated from the University of Oregon as Phi Beta Kappa in Economics. Herb, who preceded Anita in death, was an Oregon State University graduate. They retired to Corvallis after many years in Sacramento. In 1996 Anita was inducted into the College of Agricultural Sciences Hall of Fame to honor the Summers' generosity.

John Niederhauser passed away on August 12, 2005. He was a graduate of Cornell University, was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Oregon State University in June 2002. John spent much of his professional life as a plant pathologist helping to feed the developing world while preserving the environment. In 1990 he was awarded the World Food Prize in recognition of his work with national programs that have dramatically increased potato production in developing countries.

John was an Adjunct Professor at the University of Arizona. In the last few years he

was a frequent visitor to Oregon State University.

The Endowment

The annual proceeds of the endowment will be used to support travel of graduate students within the area of Botany and Plant Pathology. It is the wish of the donors that these funds be used by graduate students for attendance at professional meetings where the recipient has a specific responsibility such as presenting a poster or paper, or participating in a discussion as an invited participant.

Criteria for granting a Travel Award

Awards will be made on a case by case basis throughout academic year, if sufficient funds are available in the annual proceeds from the endowment or from additional gifts to the expendable account.

Applicants for these awards should be graduate students obtaining a degree in an area of Botany and Plant Pathology, should be advised by a professor in the Department of Botany and Plant Pathology, and should be presenting a poster or paper at a professional meeting.

Master's students may be eligible for one award, and Ph.D. students for two awards per student. Awards will not be made as reimbursements for meetings already attended.

Selection will be made by a committee identified by the department head. The following criteria will be used:

1. quality of the science as described in the abstract

2. student's statement, resume and transcripts.
3. advisor's recommendation
4. potential contribution that this award will make to student's career

The committee will forward their selection to the department head, who will notify the awardees.

How to apply

Applicants should provide 3 copies each of the following:

1. brief resume that includes professional meetings attended and presentations previously given
2. date, name, and location of meeting with abstract of research paper/poster submitted for presentation
3. statement of the importance of attendance at the meeting, and the contribution it will make to the student should be described (maximum of one page)
4. travel budget and identified sources of support for the meeting.
5. letter of recommendation from student's major professor addressing benefit of meeting to student, student's need, and whether funds are available from the major professor to assist in the travel.
6. photocopies of graduate transcripts

Address three complete copies of the application materials to:

Dianne Simpson, Department of Botany and Plant Pathology, 2082 Cordley Hall, **or** submit one set electronically to ciuffetl@science.oregonstate.edu

Application deadlines: open all year