



Department of Biological Sciences

The Leo C. VanderBeek Graduate student plant biology award is based on the following criteria:

1. Student seeking graduate training in plant biology.
2. Award may be used as a recruiting tool in addition to any teaching or research assistantships given to the student.

The award will be made on a competitive basis taking into account the student's record and quality of application. The award amount is \$250.00 or more. To apply for this award please submit the following by **March 31st**.

1. This cover form
2. A biographical sketch
3. Three letters of recommendation

Biographical Sketch: Briefly describe your intellectual development and experiences, particularly in the area of plant biology. What attracted you to the study of plants and in what direction might your interest lead you in the future?

Applications may be submitted electronically (with letters of recommendations coming directly from the letter writer) or via hard copy to:

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APPLICATION FORM

Name:

Local Address:

Permanent Address:

Phone:

WIN:

GPA:

Degree:

Letters of Recommendation:

Name:

Name:

Name:

Personal Statement (please mark to indicate that it is included with the application):