

Oregon Mycological Society

Scholarships

PURPOSE: The goal of the OMS scholarship is to recognize student achievement in, and to encourage students to pursue, the study of mycology. Our intent is to award primarily to student researchers/graduates in the Pacific NW who are conducting research in mycology. A wide range of mycological subjects will be considered. Priority will be given to:

1. Research pertaining to PNW fungi
2. Research benefitting the PNW mycological community.
3. The student receiving the scholarship attends a school in the PNW.

For this purpose, the Pacific NW is defined as Northern California (north of the 40th parallel), Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Western Montana, Southern British Columbia and Southeast and south-coastal Alaska.

EXPECTATIONS: The award recipient will be expected to deliver a presentation at a monthly meeting of the Oregon Mycological Society. The presentation will be at least 1/2 hour in duration and shall be presented within one year after receiving the award. Award recipients will receive half of the award when the award is announced and the second half after delivering the presentation. While no specific travel stipend is included in this award, upon completion of your presentation to our club you will receive our usual speaker fee (above and beyond the scholarship award) to help offset travel expenses. The award recipient must acknowledge OMS as a financial contributor in all articles and presentations produced in the course of the project for which the scholarship is awarded.

AWARDS:

- OMS Scholarships: Up to two students will receive \$2,500 each for exemplary research in the field of mycology.
- Judy Roger Memorial Scholarship: An additional \$2,500 scholarship may be awarded in honor of a longtime OMS member who wished to support women who study mycology. This scholarship will prioritize female applicants.

JUDGING: Although applications are welcome at any time, all applications must be received by May 31st. The scholarship committee will review all applications and announce recipients by June 30th. Winning applicants will be notified by e-mail or telephone.

Application Evaluation Criteria:

- 1) Is the application complete?
- 2) Does the application provide sufficient information to allow a decision to be made?
- 3) Does the research pertain to PNW fungi?
- 4) Does the research benefit the PNW mycological community?
- 5) Does the student receiving the scholarship attend a school in the PNW?
- 6) On a scale of 1-10, how important is the research to our region?
- 7) Is the research of interest or relevant to the PNW mycological community?
- 8) Does the proposal and its scope seem reasonable?

SUBMISSIONS: All Applications should be e-mailed to:

scholarships@wildmushrooms.org

(Please complete all fields)

Name Of Applicant: _____

Project Title: _____

School: _____

Academic Level: _____

Professor: _____

Contact Information: _____

University Official Authorized To Conduct Grant Administration (Contact Info):

REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION:

- 1) Tell us about yourself; Give us information about your educational background and your area(s) of concentration. We are interested in prior projects, and past and present collaborations.
- 2) What is your current project? Show evidence of scientific process.
- 3) What issues are you attempting to address? Why is this important?
- 4) Tell us about the goals of your research, and how you will accomplish these goals. How will you measure the success of your project? What might be the next step?
- 5) How will the scholarship award money be used?

- 6) Please provide at least one letter of recommendation from someone familiar with your research.
- 7) Please be brief. We are looking for the information in summary form.
- 8) Submit all parts of the application in PDF format.