

# **WSWS OUTSTANDING STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

The Western Society of Weed Science is pleased to announce a new scholarship program to promote greater student participation at the WSWS annual meeting and encourage new weed science research and future weed science careers. Scholarships will be awarded to three outstanding undergraduate and/or graduate WSWS student members who will be attending and presenting at the WSWS annual meeting.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS:**

A total of \$3,000 (three \$1,000 scholarships) will be awarded to outstanding undergraduate and/or graduate students currently conducting research relevant to weed science. The scholarships may be used to defray research costs, as a stipend, and for travel to the WSWS annual meeting.

## **ELIGIBILITY:**

Applicants must be an undergraduate or graduate student enrolled in a degree program (B.S., M.S., or Ph.D.) at an accredited college or university in the western region (see <http://www.wsweedscience.org/Society/aboutus.asp> for a list of states), and actively conducting research in the area of weed science. Applicants must be current WSWS members at the time of application. Applicants must present a paper or poster at the WSWS annual meeting held in the first part of March.

Visit <http://www.wsweedscience.org/Meeting/meeting.asp> for meeting details.

## **APPLICATION PACKAGE:**

- 1.** Completed and signed Application Form
- 2.** One-page cover letter describing how applicant became interested in weed science, how applicant's research will contribute to the field of weed science and the WSWS objectives, and what future contributions applicant hopes to make to the field of weed science including career goals
- 3.** 1/2-page resume or CV summary highlighting recent relevant experience through schooling, work and/or internships; awards, honors, publications, leadership positions, community activities
- 4.** Abstract submitted for paper or poster presentation at WSWS annual meeting
- 5.** Two letters of support, at least one of which must be from a college/university faculty member (preferably major advisor) familiar with the applicant's abilities, interests, and career goals
- 6.** Academic transcripts (unofficial copy is acceptable)

## **SELECTION CRITERIA:**

Applicants will be evaluated based on contribution of research to the discipline of weed science and to the WSWS objectives, academic record and scholarly achievements, potential contributions to the future of weed science, and participation in extracurricular pursuits contributing to the advancement of any of the following: weed science, natural resource management, and/or education and mentoring. \*Note: Undergraduate and graduate applicants will be evaluated separately.

## **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:**

In addition to presenting their research at the annual meeting, scholarship recipients must submit a brief research summary (objectives, methods, results; 1 page maximum) upon completion of their project for publication in the WSWS newsletter.

## **HOW TO APPLY:**

Send FOUR COPIES OF THE COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE (application form, cover letter, CV summary, academic transcripts, copy of meeting abstract, and 2 letters of support) to: **Dr. Frank Young, USDA-ARS, Rm. 161 Johnson Hall, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164-6420.**

**Applications must be postmarked by December 14, 2009.** Incomplete application packages will not be considered. Scholarship winners will be contacted by February 12, 2010 and scholarship awards will be presented at the 2010 WSWS Annual Meeting.

For questions please contact:

Dr. Frank Young: Phone: (509)-335-4196, E-mail: [youngfl@wsu.edu](mailto:youngfl@wsu.edu).

Please note: Online pre-registration for the annual meeting will begin **October 1, 2009** and remain available until **February 15, 2010**. Registration after that time will take place at the door. Visit <http://www.wsweedscience.org/Meeting/meeting.asp> to register.

The Western Society of Weed Science is a professional and scientific society of western weed scientists and managers. Members include research scientists, vegetation managers, agency personnel, and industry representatives interested in all aspects of weed biology, ecology, and management.

The objectives of WSWS are:

- To foster and encourage education and research in weed science
- To foster cooperation among state, federal and private agencies in solution of weeds
- To support legislation governing weed control programs, weed research and education
- To support the Weed Science Society of America and foster state and regional organizations and agencies interested in weed control

**WESTERN SOCIETY OF WEED SCIENCE  
Outstanding Student Scholarship  
APPLICATION FORM**

<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS:</b> This application is to be completed by the student-applicant. <b>FOUR COPIES OF THE COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE</b> (application form, cover letter, CV summary, academic transcripts, copy of abstract submitted for WSWS meeting, and 2 letters of support) must be submitted to: <b>Dr. Frank Young, USDA-ARS, Rm. 161 Johnson Hall, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164-6420</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>For Committee Use Only</i></p> <p>Undergraduate ____ Graduate _____ (check one)</p> <p>Application Number:</p> <p>Approved:</p> <p>Rank:</p>
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Please TYPE or PRINT clearly in BLACK INK.**

<b>Full Name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>City/ State:</b>	
<b>Zip Code:</b>	
<b>Telephone:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	
<b>School:</b>	<b>Department:</b>
<b>Degree Sought:</b>	<b>Year in School</b> (if graduate student, how many years completed in program):

<b>Anticipated date of degree completion:</b>	<b>GPA:</b>
<b>Faculty advisor or other faculty sponsor:</b>	
<b>Descriptive Title of Research Project:</b>	

**Objective of Research:**

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