



Grassland Research Awards for Student Scholarship

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The California Native Grassland <u>Association</u> (CNGA) is now accepting applications for the California Grassland Research Awards for Student Scholarship (<u>GRASS</u>). CNGA offers competitive research funds to promote undergraduate and graduate student research focused on understanding, preserving, and restoring California's native grassland ecosystems in accordance with the <u>CNGA Mission and Goals</u>.

Accepting Applications: November 1 to January 31

Eligibility: Students from any accredited college or university doing research within California may apply for a CNGA student research scholarship (home institution may be outside California).

Awards: CNGA will fund at least four, \$500 awards per year. These awards are designed to support basic undergraduate and graduate research in native grassland ecosystems. Funds can be used to support fieldwork, small equipment purchases, visits to herbaria, materials and/or books. Students may re-apply and receive a scholarship award for a maximum of two years.

John Anderson Memorial Scholarship: This year, there is a new opportunity for a one-time bonus award of \$500 in honor of CNGA Founding Member John Anderson. If the review committee feels there is an applicant who is doing work on a topic that was close to John's heart, we will award an additional one-time scholarship at the committee's discretion. Topics John was passionate about include, but are not limited to, seed-based restoration, native seed production, tarweeds, and weed control.

To apply, send an application that includes:

- Title of the project
- Your name and contact information (email, phone, mailing address)
- Project supervisor/major professor and institution/year and degree sought
- Project summary, including the location, objectives and significance (1 page or less, 12 pt. font)
- Proposed methods
- Expected accomplishments
- Timeline for project completion
- Budget and justification for scholarship funds

Applications should be no longer than 3 pages (PDF format is preferred). Please email all materials (with "CNGA GRASS Grants" in subject line) to grants@cnga.org by January 31. For more information about the California Native Grassland Association, please visit our website at cnga.org.

Notification of the award recipient will occur via email by March 15.

- Grant funds must be utilized within 12 months of the award.
- Recipients are required to submit at least one journal article to the CNGA publication *Grasslands* and/or present their work at the CNGA GRASS Award Speaker Series or other CNGA event.
- The CNGA GRASS Grant Program should be acknowledged in theses, publications, or other products resulting from your research.



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