Native Plant Society of Texas
Ann Miller Gonzalez Research Grant
for Graduate Students

The Native Plant Society of Texas will award a research grant to a graduate student at a Texas university for academic research related to Texas native plants and/or to conservation and restoration of native plant habitats of Texas.

Qualifications
Applicant must be enrolled in a graduate program in biology, botany, horticulture, landscape design, or a related field at an accredited university or college in Texas; and be pursuing research related to Texas native plants and/or to conservation and restoration of native plant habitats of Texas. The emphasis on native plants is essential to qualify for the grant.

Application Process
Applicants must submit the following information:
1) a completed application form
2) one copy of the official (with seal) transcript of the undergraduate institution from which the applicant graduated
3) one copy of the official (with seal) transcript of the applicant’s current graduate institution
4) one letter of recommendation from the professor supervising the applicant’s research project, addressing the applicant's scholastic and research abilities, as well as the significance of the applicant's research project

Submit ALL application materials to state@npsot.org, or mail in one packet to:
Native Plant Society of Texas
PO Box 3017
Fredericksburg, TX 78624-1929

Deadline
By March 31, 2019 the completed application, all transcripts and the letter of recommendation must be received by the state office. The successful applicant will be notified by April 27, 2019.

Follow-Up Requirements
Written Report
Within 30 days after completion of the research project for which this grant is awarded, the grant recipient should submit a written report describing the results of the research. A copy of the student’s thesis or a research paper published in a scientific journal will satisfy this requirement.

Presentation to Society
In addition, the grant recipient is expected to attend the Society’s 2019 Fall Symposium and present a report on research findings supported by the grant. Travel expenses will be reimbursed upon request.
FAQs

1. If you have questions regarding application for this grant, please contact the state office at state@npsot.org. If the state office can’t answer your question, the question will be forwarded to the Vice President of Education, Kimber Kaushik, for a response. We will try to give you an answer in a timely manner.

2. **If mailed,** submit application documents as a single packet to prevent the various pieces from being separated and possibly delaying or preventing consideration of the application.

3. Letters of recommendation must be in an envelope sealed by your professor and included in your application packet, or emailed directly to state@npsot.org by your professor.

4. If you attended multiple undergraduate institutions, we need only the transcript of the institution from which you graduated. This transcript should include a statement of your final undergraduate grade point average.

5. Your graduate transcript should include your entire graduate record, up to and including Fall 2018, as well as your current graduate grade point average.

6. We want your time to be spent on actual research tasks as much as possible. When submitting the budget for your research project, you may
   - list administrative costs. However, you need to explain the necessity of those expenditures and make sure they are reasonable in light of your total request
   - **not** use grant money to pay yourself a salary
   - **not** use grant money to pay your tuition
Application for the
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Personal Data

Name: ______________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

City: ____________________________________________ State: ________ Zip: __________

Phone: _______________________ Email: __________________________________________

Educational Background

Name of university now attending: ______________________________________________

Current major: __________________________________________________________________

Minor or area of specialization: _________________________________________________

Number of graduate hours: _____  Grade point average: _____ Undergrad grade point average: _____

Activities (add supplemental pages if needed)

Please list any awards, honors, scholarships and research grants you have received in college:

Describe any college and/or community activities related to native plants:

List other activities and offices held in your college or community:
Research Project

In your own words, please briefly describe your research project and its significance to conservation, research, and/or utilization of native plants and native plant habitats of Texas.

Be sure to include:
• the purpose of your research
• its design
• the analysis method
• the timeline
• how funds from the Ann Miller Gonzalez Research Grant for Graduate Students will be spent

Please include a tentative budget. Some funds may be used for reasonable administrative purposes. (Add supplemental pages to this document as needed.)

Full amount requested in this graduate research grant application (maximum $2500): ________________

Signature_________________________________________ Date________________

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