

School of Integrative Biology Graduate Student Grants and Awards 2020

Graduate students pursuing degrees within the School of Integrative Biology are eligible for a number of grants and awards. These awards have been made possible by generous donations by friends of the School.

To apply for one or more award, compile all required material into a single PDF and submit to sibawards@life.illinois.edu. Please use the following subject line: [YOUR NAME]
2020 Grad application

Deadline for receipt of applications is 5:00 pm on Tuesday, **February 25, 2020**. Please direct any questions to sibawards@life.illinois.edu.

Before submitting an application for the grants and awards, please review the following eligibility requirements. All required documents (with the exception of the advisor's letter of recommendation) should be submitted at the same time to sibawards@life.illinois.edu.

If you will be completing your graduate studies within the current calendar year (by December 2020), you are eligible for:

- Robert Emerson Memorial Award
 - **Note:** Letter of recommendation must stress the independence of the nominee's research program and should evaluate candidate's teaching.

If you are currently in the process of completing your graduate studies, you are eligible for:

- Francis M. and Harlie M. Clark Research Support Grant, Multiple awards up to \$1000 per award
 - **Note:** CV must clearly indicate starting date of MS and/or PhD program(s) in SIB. Letter of recommendation from research advisor must indicate need for funds and proposed project and that project is tied to student's research project carried out for student's degree. Budget proposal must include project timelines and a justification of intended use of funding. Students who have previously received award will be given low priority and may only receive the award twice.
- Francis M. and Harlie M. Clark Summer Research Fellowship, 2 month Fellowship
 - **Note:** Description of planned research must include clear statement of objectives that will be accomplished over the summer. Letter of recommendation must state that no other summer support is available. ***Student may not receive both a Clark Summer Fellowship and a Clark Research Support Grant in the same year. Award will be rescinded if recipient receives any other summer appointment.***
 - Lebus Fund Award, Multiple awards up to \$1000 per award to 1 month of supplemental fellowship support during the Fall 2020 semester.
 - **Note:** Description of current research and plans for future research. Letter of recommendation from research advisor discussing the potential to succeed in the chosen academic field.
- Harley J. Van Cleave Research Award, Multiple awards up to \$1000 per award
 - **Note:** Research must be investigating new frontiers and demonstrating promise and high aptitude in the fields of Cell and Structural Biology, Physiology, Ecology, Microbiology, Genetics and related fields. Description of graduate research must include a clear statement of objectives and findings. Committee will place a strong emphasis upon scholarly excellence and research promise. Budget proposal must include project timelines and a justification of intended use of funding.

Graduate Student Application Form

Name: _____

University Identification Number (UIN): _____

Department/Program: _____

Graduate GPA: _____ Date of Expected Graduation: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Advisor Name and E-mail Address: _____

Description of research, 2 sentences: _____

I am applying for:

- Robert Emerson Memorial Award
- Francis M. and Harlie M. Clark Research Support Grant
- Francis M. and Harlie M. Clark Summer Fellowship
- Harley J. Van Cleave Research Award
- Lebus Fund Award

Materials required for all applications:

- Curriculum Vitae
- Description of Research (2 pages, not including references)
 - If applying for the Clark Research Support Grant, Harley J. Van Cleave Research Award and/or the Lebus Fund Award a clear statement of objectives to be accomplished is required.
- Letter from Research Advisor (including statement of need, if applicable)

Additional items required for Clark Research Support Grant and Van Cleave Research Award:

- Detailed Budget (including current and pending funding from other sources)
- Letter from host investigator or laboratory supervisor (if applicable)

Please submit these documents to sibawards@life.illinois.edu by 5 PM February 25, 2020 in order to be considered for grants and awards.