

2025 SWESD GRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Ben Skulnick Fellowship

The Ben Skulnick Fellowship is presented annually to an outstanding SWESD graduate student who leads the way in academic performance and research. Preference will be given to M.S. students. The student's research interests must be in the area of Soil, Water, and Ecosystem Sciences as related to protection of Natural Resources. Superior academic performance is interpreted as a graduate GPA of 3.75 or more. Although any SWESD student having completed at least one year of graduate work is eligible to apply, the \$2000 Fellowship will be awarded whenever possible to a graduate student who is in the mid-to-late stage of their graduate program.

2025 Application Deadline is Thursday, October 2nd.

George J. Hochmuth Education Enrichment Award

This \$1500 award, paid by the George J. Hochmuth Education Enrichment Fund, is awarded to an outstanding graduate student majoring in Soil, Water, and Ecosystem Sciences. Qualified students must exhibit a significant interest in issues related to sustainable agricultural production and environmental management, focusing on improved soil and water quality. In addition to excellence in academic performance, preference will be given to students who demonstrate participation/leadership activities in clubs and other extracurricular activities related to improving agriculture efficiency & environmental quality.

2025 Application Deadline is Thursday, October 2nd.

Sam Polston Fellowship

The Sam Polston Fellowship is presented annually to an outstanding SWESD graduate student who leads the way among the department's graduate students in academic performance and research. Superior academic performance is interpreted as a graduate GPA of 3.75 or more. Although any SWESD student having completed at least one year of graduate work is eligible to apply, the \$2000 Fellowship will be awarded whenever possible to a graduate student who is in the mid- to late stage of their graduate program.

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V.W. Carlisle Fellowship

This \$2000 fellowship will be presented annually to a graduate student studying Pedology (soil genesis, classification, and soil survey) or Soil Mineralogy in the Soil, Water, and Ecosystem Sciences Department. The student must be pursuing an M.S. or Ph.D. degree with a course of

study leading to a thesis or dissertation that will emanate, in whole or in part, from scientific investigation of Florida soils. Preference will be given to graduate students who have also achieved academic excellence and exhibited leadership ability as indicated by departmental service and extra-curricular activities such as club activities, soil judging, and departmental social activities.

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William Robertson Fellowship

The William K. Robertson Fellowship is presented annually to an outstanding SWESD graduate student based on leadership and excellence in academics and research. The recipient must have demonstrated leadership by active participation in departmental programs, service, and extra-curricular activities such as student club activities. The \$2000 Fellowship will be awarded, whenever possible, to a *continuing* graduate student, i.e., one who is in the early- to mid-stage of their graduate program.

2025 Application Deadline is Thursday, October 2nd.

Woodruff Family Scholarship

The Woodruff Family Scholarship supports one \$500 merit-based scholarship (or two at \$250) to graduate students with a GPA of 3.5 or better who are enrolled in the 2nd year of the master's program in the Department of Soil, Water, and Ecosystem Sciences. Applications must be made in the fall semester to be considered for the award the following spring.

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