

MILTON D. AND MARY M. MILLER PLANT SCIENCE AWARD

Establishment and goals

The Milton D. and Mary M. Miller Plant Science Award was established in 1977 for the purpose of providing grants to members of the University of California Cooperative Extension who are seeking advanced degrees and to support undergraduates of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences interested in a career in Cooperative Extension—particularly in the Cooperative Extension Plant Science Intern programs.

It is the hope of the donors that the fund will grow as recipients repay the grants when and if they are able, but grants are not conditional upon the promise of repayment. The gift of this fund to the Cal Aggie Foundation by the Millers is typical of their lifetime of thoughtfulness and service to other people. It is their desire, through this gift, to help smooth the way for advancement of many others who share their ideals and dedication to progress in agriculture through research and education at the University.

Selection Criteria

The Milton D. and Mary M. Miller Plant Science fund annually provides monies for awards each year for UC Cooperative Extension plant science professionals. If there are not applicants from that group, then qualified graduate and undergraduate students interested in plant science careers in Cooperative Extension through pursuance of graduate studies in UC Cooperative Extension plant science careers will be considered.

One or more awards may be made annually. The amount of awards may vary with available funds. Former recipients may be considered for awards another year. All eligible Cooperative Extension employees with specialization in plant science and graduate and undergraduate students are encouraged to apply for the award.

Preference will be given to promising individuals with demonstrated interest in plant science careers in UC Cooperative Extension. Applicants will be given preference in the following order:

1. Employees of Cooperative Extension with specialization in field or vegetable crop production or range science.
2. Graduate or undergraduate students participating in Cooperative Extension Plant Science Intern Programs.
3. Graduate or undergraduate students in majors with emphasis in field, vegetable crops or pomology (listed in order of preference):
 - a) Agronomy
 - b) Vegetable Crops
 - c) Pomology
 - d) Agricultural Systems and Environment
 - e) Crop Science and Management
 - f) Plant Biology
 - g) Soils and Plant Nutrition
 - h) Agricultural Engineering
 - i) Plant Pathology
 - j) Plant Protection and Pest Management
 - k) Agricultural Economics

Additional eligibility requirements include a grade point average that would qualify for entrance to graduate school, and U.S. citizenship. Financial need of applicants may be considered but is not a requirement. Recipients are encouraged but not required to repay the award when and if they can do so.

Procedure for Application

Submit your application at this link: <https://milleraward.plantsciences.ucdavis.edu/>

Deadline: May 17, 2022 by Noon PST

If you have questions, please email Angie Nguyen (htgnguyen@ucdavis.edu)