

2024-25

## MILDRED E. MATHIAS GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH GRANTS

## **DESCRIPTION**

Mildred E. Mathias Graduate Student Research Grants support University of California graduate students conducting research at one or more of the 41 reserves within the UC Natural Reserve System. Since 1988, Mathias Grants have encouraged students to establish independent research projects at reserves. Recipients gain experience submitting research proposals, writing progress reports, and managing grant budgets.

Up to \$38,000 is available to support research in any discipline conducted at one or more NRS reserves. Awards are a maximum of \$3,000 per applicant.

In addition to the base grant, the California Institute for Biodiversity offers matching funds for projects that voucher their specimens. These matching funds may increase the total award by up to \$2,500 for eligible projects.

- 1. Up to \$1,000 to support vouchering in durable collections; requires a short specimen management plan
- 2. Up to \$500 for DNA sequencing costs; sequences must be made publicly available
- 3. Up to \$1,000 for projects focused on insects, fungi, and soil biodiversity

Awardees are invited to present their findings at the Mathias Graduate Student Research Grant Symposium held every three years at an NRS reserve. The grants commemmorate Mildred E. Mathias, a former professor of botany at UC Los Angeles and a founder of the NRS.

## **DATES**

Application deadline: November 1, 2024 Award notifications: December 1, 2024

## **APPLY**

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