The University of Memphis Department of Biological Sciences offers the Bill A. Simco Graduate Research Scholarship for 2015. An award will be made in the amount of $1500 to support any aspect of research in the Biological Sciences. All qualified graduate students are encouraged to apply.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Graduate students currently enrolled in a degree-seeking program in The University of Memphis Department of Biological Sciences are eligible to apply.
2. Applicants are eligible to receive a total of two Bill A. Simco Graduate Research Scholarships during their tenure in the Department of Biological Sciences.
3. An applicant seeking support for a new project or continuation of a previously supported project must submit a new application. Each application is evaluated independently. To receive additional funding, the applicant must have submitted a completed report of their previous research funded by the Scholarship to the Coordinator of Graduate Studies, Department of Biological Sciences.

General Information

1. Awards will be made from the Bill A. Simco Graduate Research Scholarship fund.
2. Selection of successful candidates will be determined by the Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Biological Sciences
3. Scholarships may be used to support scientific investigations in the Biological Sciences.
4. Funding may be used for purchase of specific equipment, supplies, travel, or other items related to the proposed research.
5. Funds must be expended within two years of the award.
6. Salaries will not be supported by the scholarship.
7. Applications must include a description of the proposed research, including pertinent references, and a budget indicating how the funds will be used.
8. The deadline for submission of application materials will be 01 May 2015.
9. Proposals will be evaluated in the following categories: (1) Introduction; (2) Purpose and Objectives; (3) Methodology; (4) Justification; and (5) Budget / Feasibility.
10. Applicants will be notified of the decisions of the Graduate Studies Committee decisions within four weeks after the application deadline.
Application
Bill A. Simco Graduate Research Scholarship

All applications should include the following information:

**Personal Information**

Name:

Address:

Email Address:

Telephone Number:

Degrees earned, institutions conferring them and graduation dates:

**Graduate Student Status**

For example, 1st year M.S.; 3rd year Ph.D.:

Duration of time you have been enrolled in current degree program:

Expected date of graduation:

**Faculty Advisor Information**

Name:

Email Address:

**Award Proposal**

Title of Study:

Proposed Investigation (Limit proposal to a maximum of 2 pages):

Literature Citations (This refers to literature you have used to develop your proposal and does not need to be cited parenthetically within your proposal. Please use appropriate citations and limit your citations to less than 15 sources):

Location(s) where investigation will be conducted:

Budget (itemized with brief justification for how funds will be used):