

Breedlove, Dennis Fund Awards for Student Botanical Field Experiences

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The Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology (EEB) Collections Committee is accepting proposals for awards from the Breedlove, Dennis Fund to support undergraduate and graduate student botanical field experiences. *This award can be used for fieldwork, supplies, food/lodging in the field, travel, or other costs directly related to their proposed research. Funds cannot be used for salary, stipends, or to cover laboratory costs.* Alternatively, awards can be used by faculty or graduate students applying to help support supplies, lodging, etc. needed by an undergraduate student joining them on a botanically-based fieldtrip.

Students must be an undergraduate Biology Major with an EEB Concentration or a graduate student in EEB. **Annual maxima of \$750 per undergraduate student and \$1,500 per graduate student will be awarded.**

Please use the **application form**. Submit completed application forms to the Herbarium Collections Manager (molive18@utk.edu) with "Breedlove, Dennis Awards - <applicant's last name>" in the subject line. Each student must have a separate application. If this fieldwork will involve multiple students please list all participating students in the fieldwork summary. Applications must be submitted at least two months prior to the planned fieldwork dates. Applications will be evaluated on a rolling basis on the 1st of every month and awards will be announced by the 15th of the month.

Funding Requirements

- The funded student is **required to submit** a minimum of **three photos** of the team and plants in the field (at least one photo must prominently feature the funded student), along with **text for three social media posts** to the Herbarium Collections Manager (molive18@utk.edu), which will be posted to the EEB Department and TENN Herbarium social media pages. These photos and text are due one week after the fieldwork is completed. **Please use the social media form.**
- The funded student is **required to submit** the completed **report form** no more than three months after the fieldwork is completed. **Please use the report form.**
- Any thesis/dissertation, publication, or presentation aided by these awards must include a statement acknowledging the support of the Breedlove, Dennis Fund at the University of Tennessee.
- Depositing specimens from the field experience in the TENN herbarium would be appreciated, but is not required. All specimen labels must include a statement acknowledging the support of the Breedlove, Dennis Fund at the University of Tennessee.

APPLICATION FORM

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Submit completed application forms to the Herbarium Collections Manager (molive18@utk.edu) with
“Breedlove, Dennis Awards - <applicant’s last name>” in the subject line and as the file name.

Student Name:

Submission Date:

Student Email address:

Student NetID:

Year in the Program:

Anticipated graduation date:

Please select one: Undergraduate Student with EEB concentration
 EEB Graduate Student

EEB affiliated faculty sponsor for undergraduate and graduate student applicants. If you are an undergrad who will be working closely with an EEB grad student on your proposed project, please also include their name and email address.

Faculty sponsor’s name and email:

Graduate student sponsor’s name and email (if applicable):

Please provide the following information in your application.

Summary of fieldwork plans, including goals/objectives, scientific questions, and anticipated results. (500 words max.)

Brief summary of current and pending funding for this project.

Timeline for the fieldwork, including anticipated dates, locations, and team members (please indicate if other students on the team are also submitting Breedlove, Dennis Fund applications).

Budget for the fieldwork, including the amount requested, vehicle rental, fuel, lodging, and/or other expenses.