**EEB and TENN Herbarium**

**Combined Award Application Form (Cover Page) – 2025**

Name of Applicant:

UTK Email Address:

Title of Proposal:

Level (Undergrad or Graduate Student or Faculty):

Year in the program:

Anticipated graduation date:

Comprehensive Exam Date (only required for graduate students):

EEB Affiliated Faculty Supervisor:

**Which award(s) are you applying for? Please indicate all that apply.**

Award descriptions, maximum award available to be applied for, and application due date can be found in the table on the next page.

*Open to undergraduate* and *graduate students:*

* Breedlove, Dennis Award for Student Botanical Field Experiences
* Hesler Student Research Award
* Hochman Student Research Award

*Only open to undergraduate students:*

* Lynne and Bob Davis Herbarium Award

*Only open to graduate students:*

* Holton Plant Research Graduate Scholars Award

*Only open to EEB Faculty:*

* Faculty Award for Herbarium Improvement, sponsored by the Hesler Fund

**Please limit proposals to two pages, excluding references and figures, which can be listed on a third page. Include the following as part of your two-page proposal:**

* Page 1 = This cover page
* Pages 2 and 3
  + Proposal description
  + Budget (detailed list of project expenses)
  + Project timeline
  + Current and pending support for the project
  + Total being requested for the award(s)
* Page 4 for references and figures

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| *Fund* | *Description* | *Who can apply* | *Maximum award amount* | *Examples of what funds may be used for* | *Deadline to apply* |
| Breedlove, Dennis funds | Research that **gives students botanical field experiences.** | Undergraduate & graduate students  Faculty, post-docs, & grad students on behalf of an undergraduate | UG: $750  Grad: $1,500 | Field supplies, food/lodging while in the field, travel costs, other costs directly related to your proposed research  Faculty, post-docs, & grad students may also apply to help support the cost of supplies, lodging, travel, etc. for an undergrad joining them in the field. | Rolling deadline, 1st day of every month |
| Davis funds | Research that focuses on **plant natural history, taxonomy, &/or floristics.** | Undergraduate students | $2,000 | Lab or field supplies, travel costs to visit other institutions’ collections or field sites, other costs directly related to your proposed research. | Feb. 2, 2025 |
| Hesler funds | Projects that are **herbarium-based, either using or vouchering herbarium specimens or analyzing herbarium specimen data.** | Undergraduate, graduate students, & EEB faculty | UG: $1,000  Grad: $2,000  Faculty: $5,000 | Lab or field supplies, travel costs to visit other institutions’ collections or field sites, other costs directly related to your proposed research, faculty may pay an undergraduate a stipend from this fund. | Feb. 2, 2024 |
| Hochman funds | Research in **organismal biology in which the capture of primary genetic data is necessary for the project.** | Undergraduate & graduate students | UG: $1,500  Grad: $1,500 | Lab supplies, costs related to the collection of genetic material, sequencing costs, other costs directly related to your proposed research. | Feb. 2, 2025 |
| Holton funds | Research on **algae or plants at the biochemical and cellular levels, although research in the areas of systematics, ecology, biogeography, conservation, & biodiversity of algae and plants will be considered.** | Graduate students | $1,500 | Lab or field supplies, travel costs to field sites, other costs directly related to your proposed research. | Feb. 2, 2025 |