Knipling Thesis/Research Education Enhancement Award Request for Proposals, 2012 Proposal Deadline, March 23, 2012 - 5 PM

A research project, scientific/teaching workshop or technique training can often complement a student's research education program, and further enhance the student's entomological knowledge. The Knipling Scholarship Enhancement Award will be awarded as grant monies for a graduate student or students to conduct a research project*, attend a scientific/teaching workshop, or visit another laboratory to learn a new technique to enhance their entomological education.

To apply for the Knipling Scholarship Enhancement Award, the grant proposal (MAXIMUM OF 3 PAGES, excluding title page, objective(s), budget, and C. V.) needs to contain the information indicated below. The maximum award will be dependent on the availability of funds and the number of awards accepted (recent awards have totaled \$1500). If a proposal is partially funded and the student accepts the funds, he/she will need proof of matching funds from his/her major advisor. The award will be deposited into a department account for award related expenses. Submit your application electronically to Diane Pennington (diane.pennington@ndsu.edu) by 5 pm on March 23, 2012. Proposals submitted after this date will not be considered for funding.

Application Requirements:

- 1. Title page: to include the applicant's and major advisor's signatures
- 2. Project objective(s) (MAXIMUM OF 3 PAGES, justification, relevancy, and description of project)
- **3. Justification:** describe how the proposed research project, scientific/teaching workshop, or technique training will complement your research program.
- **4. Relevancy:** describe how the research project, scientific/teaching workshop or technique training will benefit you and enhance your entomological knowledge.
- **5. Description of project: a)** for a research project, describe the procedures; **b)** for a workshop, describe the contents of the workshop and attach a brochure of the workshop; **c)** for technique training, describe the technique(s).
- **6. Budget:** each proposal is to contain a line item budget including materials and supplies, equipment, travel, registration fees, and etc.
- 7. C. V.

Grant Report:

Each recipient of a grant award will be required to submit a final grant report. The report will be a maximum of 2 pages and submitted to the Entomology Program Leader by December 31, 2012. The report will include a description of the research project, scientific/teaching workshop, or technique training; how the research project, scientific/teaching workshop, or technique training complemented your research program; and how did the research project, scientific/teaching workshop, or technique training benefit you and enhance your entomological knowledge.

Review Process:

Each proposal will be reviewed by the Entomology Awards Committee for merit of funding. You will receive notification of the final grant award in mid-April.

* Research projects are to complement your thesis research and may or may not be a component of your research program.