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Department of Biological Sciences

**Milthorpe Memorial Award in Plant Biology – Application Form**

This scheme is supported by a bequest to the (then) School of Biological Sciences by the family of Fred Milthorpe. Professor Milthorpe was a Founding Chair in the School of Biological Sciences. He was a plant physiologist in the classical sense, influencing a generation of plant scientists here and abroad. His research revealed underlying biological processes that are critical to forestry, agriculture and horticulture. His philosophy was to make discoveries by inspiring postgraduate students to be curious about their research questions and thoughtful about how they execute them. This award aims to foster these philosophies. The maximum amount of the award is $1500 and the award is offered in alternate years.

* Application must be a maximum of three pages and include the following: Aims and Objective, Background, Research Plan, Budget and Budget Justification
* Hard copy application is to be signed and emailed to Head of Department (fse.bio-hod@mq.edu.au)
* Award is conditional on acceptance of abstract if applying to support conference attendance
* A one-page final report must be submitted within a year of the award being made, listing outcomes from any conference attended and/or an outline of new research findings
* This prize can be awarded and used in conjunction with a PGRF
* Students can only receive one Milthorpe Award throughout their candidature
* Students enrolled in MRes (Year 2) or PhD may apply
* The closing date for applications is **31st May**
1. **Applicant**

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| Family Name  |  | Given name  |  |
| Student number  |  | Email  |  |
| PhD or MRes |  |

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1. **Amount Requested**
2. **Project Title**

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1. **Theme of research project or conference**

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1. **Presentation type if attending a conference (poster, poster plus short talk, symposium talk)**

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1. **Aims and Objective (approx. 150 words)**

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1. **Background to the proposal (150 words max.)**

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1. **Research Plan and/or Conference Proposal. Explain carefully how this award would enhance the applicant’s HDR project and how it connects with the overall project aims (up to half a page)**

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1. **Budget Outline**

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| 1. **Research Project**
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| Consumables |  |
| Equipment |  |
| Travel, sustenance and accommodation |  |
| Other |  |
| 1. **Conference attendance**
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| Registration fee  |  |
| Accommodation  |  |
| Travel, sustenance and accommodation |  |
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1. **Budget Justification (up to half a page justification of each item listed in 9 above)**

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| *A justification of a budget is not merely a statement of the proposed expenditure. Applicants should explain why each particular item of expenditure is essential in relation to the application, how the amount was calculated and why the amount requested is appropriate* |

1. **Applicant certification**

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| Name | **Signature**  |
| Date  |

1. Principal supervisor certification

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