

Robert C. Hodson Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship

Department of Entomology

“This fund recognizes undergraduate students in the Department of Entomology conducting research in arthropod biology.”

Thanks to the generosity of Drs. Robert and Anita Hodson, this scholarship was established in 2015 to recognize an outstanding undergraduate student, conducting research with one or more Entomology faculty, post-doctoral associates and/or graduate students. The annual scholarship will be \$500. The late Robert C. Hodson was the son of Dr. Alexander Hodson, a former Professor and Dept. Head of Entomology at the University of Minnesota. The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage students with strong academic potential, who are currently gaining research experience in the Entomology Department (or did so in the previous calendar year), to pursue careers in science (not limited to Entomology). Students within the Entomology Minor are encouraged to apply, but the award is also open to students from other minors and majors. During the spring semester that the award is granted (May of each year), the student should be in good academic standing, and a freshmen, sophomore or junior (scholarship funds will be applied during fall semester).

To apply, the student should submit the following:

a)—A cover page that includes their name, major, year in school, email address, and other contact information;

--the Name of a mentor (Faculty member, Post-doc, Technical Staff, or Graduate Student in Entomology) who has agreed to write a letter of recommendation;

--a brief ½ page statement summarizing the student’s research experience to date, and current career goals;

b)—A copy of their resume, including previous work experience (2 pp. maximum),

c)—A current copy of their college transcript (unofficial copy acceptable);

Note: In advance of the deadline (below), the student should request that the mentor write a letter of recommendation (1-page maximum), and have the mentor/advisor submit this separately to the Entomology Dept. Office (see below).

To apply:

Please email your award application documents to the Dept. of Entomology office, to: Tammi Pekkala-Mathews, at: tpekkala@umn.edu

By mail, or in person, to:
Tammi Pekkala-Mathews
Dept. of Entomology
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1980 Folwell Ave.
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Due date/time: Thursday, April 28, 2016 (4pm)

Process: all applicants will be notified in May, with the recipient requested to attend the Annual Hodson Alumni Awards ceremony on campus (usually mid- to late May).