

APPLICATION FOR TRAVEL GRANT FROM THE L. J. KLOTZ MEMORIAL FUND

Background: This memorial fund was established in honor of Dr. Leo J. Klotz, a former Professor and faculty member in the department and a distinguished plant pathologist. The intent of the fund is to financially support the attendance of graduate students studying plant pathology at national scientific conferences to present their research. Dr. Klotz is best known for his research on *Phytophthora* diseases of citrus, but he also studied other pathogens and hosts such as palm. He published more than 400 scientific articles and co-edited, "The Color Handbook of Citrus Diseases".

To apply for an award: Please submit this completed form and the required documents, listed below (Items #1-4), as a single PDF, to the online submission form, on the MPP awards website, by the December 1st, 2025, deadline. **Note: *Only submissions for travel occurring between October 1st, 2025 – September 31st, 2026, will be considered eligible for this award.*** Applications containing incomplete forms or missing required documents (#1-4) will not be considered. Recipients are required to present their research in the PLPA 250 department seminar series. This award was established to support students whom their research areas are focused on plant pathology, thus all students in the Plant Pathology, or other related graduate programs, are eligible.

Your Name: _____

Your E-mail Address: _____

Your Major Professor: _____

Name of meeting: _____

Location: _____

Start and end dates of meeting: _____

Will you be making a poster presentation (yes, no)? Oral presentation (yes, no)?

Abstract title: _____

Please attach to this form:

1. Proposed Budget. Please itemize (travel, registration, housing...)
2. A copy of your abstract.
3. A statement, of up to half a page in length, describing how your research is relevant to plant pathology.
4. A statement, of up to half a page in length, describing how you will benefit from attending the meeting.

If approved, the plant pathology office will contact you with information concerning travel arrangements.