

# TEXAS ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

## 2010 ANNUAL STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD COMPETITION

The Texas Academy of Science announces the 2010 competition. Awards will be presented at the annual meeting to be held at the Tarleton State University, in Stephenville, TX. The competition is organized in three categories, one for students conducting Ph.D. research, one for students conducting Master's research, and one for students conducting undergraduate research. Three awards will be given in each category. First place awards will be for \$2,000, second place for \$1,500, and third place for \$1,000. All students enrolled in a math, science, or science education curriculum in the State of Texas and out-of-state students in both the U.S. and Mexico conducting research projects in Texas are also eligible for the awards.

### CRITERIA FOR SUBMISSION OF THE TAS RESEARCH GRANT

To be considered for the grant, the student must:

- Be a member of the Texas Academy of Science at the time of submission of the proposal.

If the proposer is NOT an Academy member, obtain a membership form from the Academy's web page (<http://www.texasacademyofscience.org>) fill it out and submit it directly to Fred Stevens, Executive Secretary, Schreiner University, CMB 6252, Kerrville, TX 78028, in advance of submitting the proposal.

- Propose to conduct an INDEPENDENT STUDY, i.e. a research project in which the student is the principal project architect and will conduct the majority of the work. A letter from the student's advisor testifying that the work is truly independent must be included. The committee will not consider a submission in which a student has been assigned a portion of an existing research project in which he/she has no opportunity to design and carry out truly independent research.
- Propose to conduct laboratory and/or field research. Literature reviews are not eligible.
- Submit an electronic PDF copy written in the style appropriate to the discipline. A well-written proposal is defined as one that is relatively brief (up to 10 pages, not counting the Literature Cited) and could be submitted to a funding agency in the student's field. Include a detailed budget and a Curriculum Vitae/resume. If multiple funding sources are being sought, the portion funded by TAS should be clearly identified. The entire proposal, including cover sheet, should be contained in one PDF document.
- Agree to attend the 2008 annual meeting to receive the award at the banquet. A copy of the registration form should accompany the submission. **Failure to attend the banquet and personally receive the award will result in forfeiture of the award.** Reviewers' comments will be returned at the meeting. Do NOT submit a copy of your check with proof of registration
- \* Agree to present the results of his/her research at a Texas Academy of Science meeting within two years of receiving the award, and that if receiving an award, to allow your proposal to be posted on the TAS website.
- \* E-mail your proposal file by 15 January 2010 to:

Donald E. Harper, Jr.  
Chair, TAS Student Research Awards Committee [harperd@tamug.edu](mailto:harperd@tamug.edu); 409-996-3090

NOTE: If you do not receive an acknowledgment from Dr. Harper within a week of submitting, please contact him to verify that your proposal has been received.

**COVER SHEET  
TEXAS ACADEMY OF SCIENCE  
STUDENT RESEARCH PROPOSAL  
2010COMPETITION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree sought: \_\_\_\_\_ B.S. \_\_\_\_\_ M.S. \_\_\_\_\_ Ph.D.

Title of proposal: \_\_\_\_\_

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Research advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Key words/Fields (up to three): \_\_\_\_\_

Check off

\_\_\_\_\_ Cover Sheet

\_\_\_\_\_ Proposal

\_\_\_\_\_ Budget

\_\_\_\_\_ Curriculum Vitae

\_\_\_\_\_ Preregistered for annual meeting (copy provided)

\_\_\_\_\_ Member of the Academy

\_\_\_\_\_ Agree to present a paper within 2 years and allow publication of proposal on TAS website