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The objective of the Dr. Robert F. Powers Memorial Scholarship (scholarship) is to recognize significant contributions to active forest management through application of soil and forest science by presenting a variable scholarship amount to a masters or Ph.D. student whose research and career focus is on active forest management issues, similar to the historical research conducted by Dr. Robert F. Powers.

REQUIREMENTS

a) Student must be currently enrolled in either a masters or Ph.D. level program by an accredited university.

b) Student must have a clearly defined research emphasis that is in line with their masters or Ph.D. thesis.

c) The students’ objectives must be similar in nature to research interests pursued by Dr. Robert F. Powers during his career.

d) The student’s research should be applicable to active forest management.

e) Topics of interest may include but are not limited to vegetation management, forest soils, insect and disease research, growth and yield, forest ecology, etc. as they apply to active forest management.

f) Student must submit in writing:
   1. A summary of their research work including the objective, hypotheses, application to modern forestry, and preliminary results if any.
   2. A current resume.
   3. A brief cover letter stating why the student deserves the scholarship, the applicability of their work to active forest management, and a statement of career objectives and future goals.
g) The student must also submit to an interview with the awards committee in person or video conference call.

h) The student must also make a presentation of their work at Forest Vegetation Management Conference when the scholarship is presented. The 2022 Conference is scheduled for January 11-13, 2022 in Anderson, CA. Travel expenses and lodging to the event will be compensated by the FVMC.

The scholarship may, but not necessarily be awarded annually. If no applications are deemed acceptable by the awards committee, the funds may be rolled over to the following year or until a suitable candidate is found. For this reason, the scholarship amount may be variable from year to year. **The 2022 scholarship award amount is $3,500.**

The scholarship committee is made up of members of the Forest Vegetation Management Conference appointed by the conference chair. The committee shall consist of five members, including an awards committee chair. New committee members may be added to the committee by the conference chair upon exit of existing committee members. Initial committee members for 2021-2022 will be: Ed Fredrickson-Chair, Jeff Webster, Scott Carnegie, Mark Gray, and Dave Young.

Application deadline is **November 5, 2021**, by 5 pm PST. All interested parties, submit a digital application to:

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For more information about the conference please visit [www.fvmc.org](http://www.fvmc.org) or contact Kathleen at the above email address.

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