

The Graduate Student Enhancement Fund (GSEF)

The Graduate Student Enhancement Fund (GSEF) in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences is made possible by the generous donations of alumni and friends of the College. These funds are allocated at the Dean's discretion to assist in defraying expenses of those graduate students in the College who are invited to present posters, abstracts, and/or papers at a regional, national, or international society meeting. Donations to this fund vary year to year and awards are granted based on availability of money in the fund. To provide equity in the process, only one award per graduate student is made in the academic calendar year. In addition, no more than three awards per department can be made in an academic calendar year. Awarding of GSEF funds are based on the following criteria:

1. The fund has a \$200 maximum award per person and requires at least a 100% match by the department and/or the principle investigator.
2. A request for this fund must be accompanied by the invitation to speak or present at the annual society meeting.
3. The application must have a copy of the abstract for the project to be presented.
4. The applicant must be a full time graduate student in CALS.