

College of Agricultural and Life Sciences
Jimmy G. Cheek Graduate Student Medal of Excellence
Award Information and Application Requirements

The Jimmy G. Cheek Graduate Student Medal of Excellence is awarded annually to an outstanding graduate student currently enrolled in the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (students must have a college code of AG or ID). Preference will be given to students pursuing a PhD or DPM degree. The CALS Graduate Student Scholarships and Awards Committee will review the applications and select the recipient based on the following criteria:

- High academic potential and achievement
- Leadership and community involvement (campus or local community)
- Commitment to and passion for the chosen field of study
- Personal sacrifice for his/her education
- Effort above and beyond the call of duty

The recipient of the Jimmy G. Cheek Graduate Student Medal of Excellence will be invited to the CALS Scholarship and Leadership Awards Banquet on Thursday, April 18, 2017 where they will receive the medal. The recipient will also receive a monetary award.

Applicants must submit the following (*materials should specifically address the five evaluation criteria listed above*):

- Letter of nomination from the student's supervisory committee chair
- Brief CV (two-page maximum)
- Personal statement (two-page maximum)
- Two additional letters of support
- Signed copy of this page

The Dean's Office will add a copy of the student's UF transcripts to the packet prior to committee review.

Submit the complete application packet (HARD COPY ONLY) by 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 8, 2017 to:

College of Agricultural and Life Sciences
Attn: Charlotte Emerson, Director of Student Development and Recruitment
PO Box 110270, 2020 McCarty Hall D, Gainesville, FL 32611-0270

I waive my right to review the materials used in the selection process for the Jimmy G. Cheek Graduate Student Medal of Excellence.

Signature

Date