

**Ginny Patin Memorial Scholarship  
California Seed Association**

**2008 Scholarship Application**

**Eligibility:** Major Fields of study include but are not limited to the following: plant science, plant physiology, seed physiology, soil science, botany, agribusiness, etc. Special Interest in the seed industry is a plus. High school graduating seniors, undergraduate and graduate students are eligible. Funds will be made available to full-time students enrolling in a California college or university.

**Criteria:** Awards are made on the basis of the following criteria:

- ❖ your interest – current and future – in the seed industry in particular and agriculture in general
- ❖ your scholastic achievement and activities
- ❖ essay
- ❖ your financial need
- ❖ letter of recommendation

**Instructions:** Application must be typewritten and must be completed in full or it will not be considered. Please note the criteria used in evaluating your application.

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Applications must be returned to the CSA Office  
1521 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814  
no later than **February 15, 2008**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ SS# \_\_\_\_\_

2. Class (next year):    \_\_\_\_ Freshman    \_\_\_\_ Sophomore    \_\_\_\_ Junior    \_\_\_\_ Senior    \_\_\_\_ Graduate

3. Indicate the college / university where you expect to use this scholarship if awarded:

Name of Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Address (while at college): \_\_\_\_\_

5. Permanent Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

6. Major Field of Study (if decided): \_\_\_\_\_

7. Previous experience related to the seed industry or agriculture: \_\_\_\_\_

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8. Intended occupation after completion of education: \_\_\_\_\_

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9. Number of brothers / sisters in your family now enrolled in college / university: \_\_\_\_\_

10. If married – name and occupation of spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

11. Name(s) of high schools attended: \_\_\_\_\_

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12. Name(s) of colleges or junior colleges attended: \_\_\_\_\_

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13. List honors you received in competition with other students: \_\_\_\_\_

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14. Do you presently hold a scholarship(s) or assistance? \_\_\_\_\_

From whom: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of scholarship or assistance: \_\_\_\_\_

15. What are your sources of financial support? \_\_\_\_\_

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16. List your level of involvement in college activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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17. List your work experience: \_\_\_\_\_

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18. Essay: “State why you are applying for this scholarship, why you are interested in pursuing a career in agriculture and the seed industry, and what are your qualifications”. Attach an essay of 1,000 to 1,500 words (this should not be an autobiography but some background information may be helpful).

19. CSA Affiliation? No / Yes If yes please explain:\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ “As an incoming freshman, if I receive a scholarship, I agree to satisfactorily complete a minimum of three (3) semesters or five (5) quarter credits in a course or courses which has/have agriculture and/or plant science as a major emphasis.”

\_\_\_\_\_ “ As an applicant for a sophomore, junior, senior or graduate scholarship, I certify that I have satisfactorily completed a minimum of three (3) semesters or five (5) quarter credits in a course or courses which has / have plant science as a major emphasis.”

“I hereby certify that the statements which I have made are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.”

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Date \_\_\_\_\_ Student’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_

When the application is completed to this point, please have your high school principal, or Head of your Major Department at your institution, complete the rest of this form.

For Department Heads, Principals – please complete the following information:

1. Cumulative Grade Point Average:\_\_\_\_\_

Verified by:\_\_\_\_\_

2. Evaluation and Confidential Remarks Concerning Applicant: On separate sheet please indicate student’s need as well as interest in the seed industry. Please be precise and refer to the criteria for these awards: need, character, leadership, etc. Indicate the number and extent of agricultural-related courses completed by the student (attach additional sheet if needed).

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_

# Letter of Recommendation California Seed Association

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_

A \$1000.00 Merit Scholarship to recognize academic excellence for a student interested in plant science or the seed industry as a profession. The person writing this letter should give a confidential assessment of the applicant so the Selection Committee can properly evaluate the candidate. (Please use this form and mail it directly to the person listed below).

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this to:

California Seed Association  
1521 "I" Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814