



## School of Natural Resources Meritorious Graduate Student Award

**The Award:** Recipients will receive \$500.00 each (one MS and one PhD) along with a certificate. Their name will be inscribed on the Perpetual Trophy in Hardin Hall.

**Eligibility:** Candidates must have completed at least one academic year of graduate work (two semesters) leading to an MS or PhD degree in Natural Resource Sciences and must be a current student at the time of the award. Graduate students can receive this award only once for each degree. Students cannot self-nominate themselves.

**Selection Process and Criteria:** The Graduate Committee will select the recipients based on the following criteria:

- Academic achievements, GPA of at least 3.5, honors and awards.
- Research or teaching contributions.
- Leadership accomplishments (academic and professional).
- Service activities (community and professional organizations).
- Personal qualities (leadership, commitment to excellence and communication skills).

**Submission deadline:** March 8th at 12:00 pm.

**Award Announced:** April

**Submit application to:** Emma Hazel, 402-472-5355, [emma.hazel@unl.edu](mailto:emma.hazel@unl.edu)

**Requirements to be submitted electronically to Emma Hazel:**

- One nomination letter from advisor. Advisor is encouraged to identify expectations of assistantships (percent research, teaching and extension) or graduate position (for unfunded students), limit nominations to a single student and highlight student's productivity in each area of selection criteria.
- One nomination letter from a fellow graduate student in the School of Natural Resources (no self-nominations). Fellow graduate students are encouraged to provide specific examples related to each of the selection criteria and should work with an advisor to improve their letter if needed.
- Student's unofficial transcript showing current GPA (advisor\* or student can download from MyRed). Note: Emma Hazel does not have access to the transcripts.
- Student's Curriculum Vitae.

\*If faculty do not have access to unofficial transcripts, complete a request form and submit the form to Emma Hazel, <file:///C:/Users/jloomis3/Downloads/SISrequest2018-2.pdf>