

California  Seed
Association
Scholarship Program

GINNY PATIN MEMORIAL 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 4 year California college or university. Awards will be directly to school Fall semester of 2025 with enrollment verified.

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.

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

- Your affiliations through programs, events, tours and/or classes promoted by the CSA organization. This includes your interest, current and future, in the California seed industry in particular and agriculture in general
- Your scholastic achievement and activities
- Essay
- Letter of recommendation
- Your financial need

Completed applications must be mailed, faxed, or emailed to the CSA Office no later than **February 3, 2025:**

California Seed Association
1521 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814
FAX: 916-446-1063
Email: donna@agamsi.com

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Name _____ Student ID# _____

1. Email address: _____

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

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

3. 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:

8. Intended occupation after completion of education:

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: _____

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

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

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?

16. List your level of involvement in college activities:

17. List your work experience:

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? (internships, tours) No / Yes If yes, please explain:

20. Please Initial all that apply:

_____ "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."

_____ .
Student Signature Date

When the application is completed to this point, please have your high school principal, student advisor, teacher, major professor or current chair 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: _____

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FOR: _____

A \$2,500.00 Merit Scholarship to recognize academic excellence for a student interested in plant science or the seed industry as a profession. 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). The person writing this letter should give a confidential assessment of the applicant so the Selection Committee can properly evaluate the candidate. Mail, FAX or Email to:

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Signed: _____

Date: _____