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Southern Region

INTERNATIONAL PLANT PROPAGATORS' SOCIETY

2016 STUDENT RESEARCH COMPETITION

Recognition for Quality Research

The INTERNATIONAL PLANT PROPAGATORS' SOCIETY - Southern Region of North America is offering three awards for research papers describing original research results pertinent to the production of horticultural crops in the southern USA. Graduate and undergraduate students enrolled in any university, junior, community, or four-year colleges are eligible. Three awards, \$1,000, \$500, and \$250 will be given to first, second and third place papers, respectively.

Rules of Submission

1. Each student must submit the title of his or her paper by **August 15** to the chairman of the Student Research Award Program.
2. An electronic file of the research paper (Word or WordPerfect), not to exceed eight double-spaced pages including tables and figures, is to be submitted by **September 1** to the chairman of the Student Research Award Program for judging.
3. A panel of industry and academic members will judge papers for final selection. Three papers will be selected for invitation to the oral competition at the meeting. Also, three additional student papers are eligible for selection for poster presentations at the meeting.
4. The three finalists invited to present their findings orally to the membership at the annual meeting will compete for the cash awards and these students will receive \$500 to help cover travel and lodging expenses at the meeting. Three student papers will be selected for poster presentations at the meeting and these three poster winners will also receive a \$500 travel grant to help cover travel and lodging expenses at the meeting. A final copy of all student papers will be presented to the Editor of the Southern Region IPPS and published in *International Plant Propagators Society Combined Proceedings* and all students submitting a paper for the competition are invited to present their work in the Poster Session at the annual meeting. The 2016 annual meeting will be held **October 23-26, 2016** in Virginia Beach, VA.
5. Research titles and papers are to be sent to:
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