



# PRI SEED GRANT PROGRAM

*Funding to support innovative, trainee-led research in plant resilience*

## Spring 2026 Call for Seed Grant Proposals

The MSU Plant Resilience Institute, or PRI, invites applications for the fifth round of the PRI Seed Grant Program to support innovative, trainee-led research in the area of plant resilience. We encourage proposals to be synergistic across MSU laboratories and focus on projects that are both high-risk and high-reward.

The proposed research **must not already be funded** by an existing grant and should be distinct from current research programs. Proposals are required to focus on **plant resilience**, broadly defined.

## Eligibility

**Any MSU graduate student or postdoctoral researcher may submit a proposal.**

Each proposal must name one PI, or project lead. Additional Co-PIs and/or collaborators may be included as appropriate. An individual can only serve as PI or Co-PI on one proposal, and faculty members are not eligible to be PIs or Co-PIs.

## Award Amount

Successful proposals will be granted a maximum of **\$10,000** for up to **18 months**.

## Application Deadline

**All proposals must be received by February 27, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. ET** for consideration. Applications that miss the deadline or are not selected can be resubmitted in subsequent rounds.

## More Information

Further instructions on proposal preparation and submission, the selection process, and the list of previous awardees can be found at [bit.ly/priseedgrant](https://bit.ly/priseedgrant).

**Prospective applicants are encouraged to attend the informational session hosted by PRI Seed Grant Committee Chair Dr. David Lowry on January 29, 2026 from 1:00-2:00 p.m. in PBL 168 or on Zoom. Register at [bit.ly/prijan29](https://bit.ly/prijan29).**

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