

Graduate Research Assistantship

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Justification:

Graduate students are an integral component of the research efforts within the Plant Science Department. They increase research productivity by focusing on problems or issues related to wheat production in South Dakota. Students in the Plant science Department receive a specialized training that prepares them for professional careers in agriculture. Most students receive a one-half time assistantship for which they, in turn, complete a research project and assist the project leader in his/her overall program. Thus, the graduate program serves a multi-purpose role by furthering the student's education, supporting his/her research program, and benefiting agricultural community through their research results. Assistantships are necessary to attract quality graduate students. Funds to support assistantships continue to be difficult to obtain.

Administration:

This assistantship would be administered through the Plant Science Department Head office. The assistantship would support a student supervised by Plant Science faculty with an active wheat research program. The individual research project will provide O/M support for the student.