

Cal-IPC Diversity Scholarships

Supporting participation of underrepresented professionals
in the Cal-IPC Symposium



Award Description

The California Invasive Plant Council (Cal-IPC) is offering scholarships for up to twenty conservation professionals from underrepresented backgrounds to participate in the **2020 Cal-IPC Symposium, October 27-30, 2020**. The scholarship will cover 100% of registration fees and make attendance free to awardees, who will have access to all four days of session talks, discussion groups, and posters covering a wide range of topics related to invasive plant biology and management. To learn more about the Cal-IPC's 2020 Symposium, visit www.cal-ipc.org/resources/symposium/.

Who should apply?

Entry-level to mid-level professionals in California from underrepresented backgrounds in the conservation/land management community that do not have financial support from their employer to attend are encouraged to apply.

Why does Cal-IPC offer this scholarship?

Cal-IPC values the perspectives and experiences of conservation professionals from underrepresented backgrounds and seeks to increase the diversity of representation in the field. [Click to read Cal-IPC's Statement on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion \(EDI\) on our website.](#)

How to apply

Submit applications to cmeyler@cal-ipc.org for review by **5:00 pm PST on Sept. 30**. Please include: (1) a brief cover letter describing how you diversify representation in the conservation field, your interest in invasive plant management, and how attending the 2020 Cal-IPC Symposium would help your career development, and (2) a resumé or other description of your experience in the field (both professional and personal), with a current California mailing address. We strongly encourage applicants who wish to learn more about invasive plant biology and land management to further a career in conservation.

Applicants will be notified whether they have been selected for an award by Oct. 15. Awardees will be selected based on quality and appropriateness of response to requested topics in the cover letter, completeness of the application, and demonstrated applicability of the 2020 Cal-IPC Symposium to applicant's professional development.

For questions regarding application submission or the Cal-IPC Symposium, please contact Claire F. Meyler, Communications & Marketing Manager at cmeyler@cal-ipc.org or 510-843-3902 x310.