



## COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCE

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### TRACY A. HAMMER GRADUATE STUDENT AWARD for PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT NOMINATION FORM

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This award recognizes and supports an outstanding graduate student with a one-time stipend that can be used for travel support, research, or educational materials (books, computer hardware or software). **Nominees must be pursuing a degree in the College of Natural Science for the 2025-2026 academic year.**

The award was renamed in 1996 to memorialize 1995 co-recipient Tracy Anne Hammer. A native of New York, Hammer was the first dual degree candidate to pursue a doctoral degree in animal genetics through the Department of Microbiology and Veterinary Medicine. Her research centered on canine dilated cardiomyopathy. Hammer died in a plane crash shortly before graduation and her degree was awarded posthumously.

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**NOMINEE:**

**CAMPUS ADDRESS:**

**OFFICE TELEPHONE (IF KNOWN):**

**EMAIL:**

**MSU DEPARTMENT(S):**

**PLEASE ADDRESS THE FOLLOWING (ON A SEPARATE PAGE):**

- 1) Describe the nominee's academic accomplishments.
- 2) Describe the nominee's research activities.
- 3) Describe how this award would benefit the nominee's professional development (travel support, software needed for research, support for field research, etc.)

*The above information should be no longer than one (1) page in length TOTAL.*

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**THIS NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:**

**NAME:**

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**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:**

- Nominee's CV

**RETURN NOMINATION FORM AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO:**

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*All email submissions will receive a confirmation of receipt within two days. If you do not, please call Sara to make sure the email was received.*

The winner will be celebrated at an in-person awards ceremony on Friday, April 4th, 2025.

**NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2024.**

Questions? Contact Sara Ford at [fordsar2@msu.edu](mailto:fordsar2@msu.edu).