

Kopriva Graduate Student Fellowship

Faculty in the Biological Sciences are invited to sponsor an advanced Ph.D. graduate student for the 2009/2010 Kopriva fellowship.



The Kopriva Fellowship program was established in 1991 by the MSU *College of Letters and Science* through a generous gift from Phil Kopriva (<http://www.montana.edu/lettersandscience/kopriva.html>), a 1957 graduate of MSU in Biological Sciences and Chemistry. Each year the Kopriva fund makes a **Fellowship Award** of up to **\$5,000** to an outstanding graduate student. The award is intended to enhance the student's research thesis, but cannot be used for salary support. Examples of acceptable support items include: travel to meetings or for instruction, books, supplies, and special research services. The student must have passed his/her comprehensive exams, and is expected to deliver a Kopriva Student Research Lecture in a subsequent academic year.

The deadline for application is May 1, 2009 with the award to be made July 1, 2009.

The following materials should be forwarded to ***Paula Lutz, Dean of the College of Letters and Science, Room 2-205, Wilson Hall:***

- 1) Student's CV and graduate transcripts
- 2) Brief (one paragraph) statement of the student's Ph.D. research project proposal
- 3) Budget for use of the Kopriva funds
- 4) Letter of reference from the student's thesis advisor, summarizing the basis for nomination and evidence of the student's "promise of excellence"