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Montana State University Department of Botany receives National Defense Education Acts fellowships for stipends

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The Montana State University Department of Botany has been granted three National Defense Education Act fellowships for three-year stipends amounting to $6,600 each, or a total of $19,800, Dr. R. A. Diettert, department chairman, announced.

Each fellow will receive a stipend of $2,000 the first year, $2,200 the second, and $2,400 the third, Dr. Diettert said. Each fellow will also receive $400 a year for each dependent.

In addition, the department will receive approximately $2,500 a year for each fellow for use in developing the Ph. D. program in forestry and plant sciences approved last spring by the State Board of Regents.

The NDEA awards have a twofold purpose, according to Dr. Diettert. First, they encourage and assist graduate students to prepare for careers as teachers in the nation's colleges and universities. Second, by making the fellowships tenable in new or expanded programs at particular graduate schools, they increase the facilities available for the graduate training of college or university teachers and promote a wider geographical distribution of such facilities throughout the nation.

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