

Washington State Grape and Wine Research Grant Program (WSU)
Washington State Wine Commission Research Grant Program

NEW AND CONTINUING PROPOSAL
FY 2026-27

Upload to the [Washington Wine Research Grant Portal](#) by January 23, 2026

The proposal text (sections 1-9) is limited to 8 pages. This limit does not include the budget support summary, budget page, and literature cited (sections 10-12). Use 12-point Times New Roman, 1" margins left, right and top and a 1.5" margin at the bottom that includes page numbers. The proposal should include 12 sections. Indicate each section with bold titles as shown below and include the requested details. Please delete instructional text.

1. Project Title:

2. Principal Investigator(s): Name, institutional affiliation, address, phone number and e-mail.

3. Cooperator(s): Include the role of each cooperator; ensure they know of their proposed participation.

4. Objective(s) of Proposed Research or Outreach Project: Logically arrange and prioritize the objectives.

5. Justification and Importance of Proposed Research or Outreach Project: Describe the previous work that has been done to date and the importance of the proposed research and/or outreach effort to the grape and wine industry, or any other industry where grapes could be utilized.

6. Procedures to Accomplish Objective(s): For each objective, discuss the procedures you propose to employ. For research projects, be specific enough to discuss plot design, anticipated statistical analyses, methods used in the experiment, and parameters of data collection. For outreach projects, clearly explain your plans to get information to end-users.

7. Timetable for Project: Construct a timetable showing when the research to accomplish objectives will be initiated and completed.

8. Present Outlook and Estimated Success in Accomplishing Objective(s):

9. Outreach and Education: Please explain your strategy for communicating research results to end-users and stakeholders.

10. Budget Support Summary by Objective(s): It is critical to prepare a sufficiently detailed budget narrative for all categories, i.e., personnel, benefits, supplies, etc. The proposed budget narrative should have headings that match the respective budget categories. Be specific: materials and supplies would include a list of anticipated purchases, their uses and individual costs; travel must include who, where, how long, costs for lodging/per diem, etc. Failure to provide details on each budget item may

seriously delay or reduce funding.

Along with the budget narrative, list grant program to which this proposal is being submitted (Northwest Small Fruit Research, American Vineyard Foundation, Oregon Wine Board, etc.).

11. Total Budget Request: Prepare a budget that reflects your needs for the length of the proposed project for up to four years. If the project requires a PhD. student, funding may be approved for up to four years. Funding is granted on a year-to-year basis, and continuation of projects must be justified annually. Use the following budget page format:

	% Time on Project	<i>Year 1 FY 27</i> Request 2026-2027	<i>Year 2 FY 28</i> Request 2027-2028	<i>Year 3 FY 29</i> Request 2028-2029	<i>Year 4 FY 30</i> Request 2029-2030
Personnel					
Salaries					
Benefits					
Wages					
Benefits					
Equipment (itemize over \$1,000)					
Supplies and Expenses					
Travel					
Trips/Purpose/Costs					
Plot Fees					
Miscellaneous					
Winemaking/Other					
Total (include all costs					
TOTAL REQUESTED					

* Please provide annual salary amount.

Indirect costs (including overhead) cannot be covered by WSWC.

12. Literature Cited: Include pertinent references. References are not included in the 8-page limit for proposals but should follow the body of the proposal as a separate section. Since the proposal process is conducted online, hyperlinks allow the review committee direct access to cited literature. Please check to make sure they work before submitting a proposal.

Institutional Signatures: Acceptable institutional signatures are those of the department chair, Office of Research, or other person who reviews your research budget. The signature page is not included in the 8-page limit for proposals.

Submit proposals by **January 23, 2026** to the [Washington Wine Research Portal](#). Questions? Contact the Washington State Wine Commission's Research Program Director, Melissa Hansen: mhansen@washingtonwine.org.