

Sorghum Feed and Food Scholarship Award

The National Sorghum Foundation

Sorghum, an ancient grain, grown for thousands of years for both feed and food found its way into the U.S. during the 1800's as a more resilient crop that better adjusts to the challenges of nature, yet responds favorably to more favorable conditions. Here the crop has frequently been a staple feed in the form of grain, silage, and dried distillers grains with soluble (DDGS). More recently sorghum grain has appeared in food products as a gluten free safe food for celiac disease and provides important macronutrient, micronutrient and phytochemical dietary sources. Sorghum provides not only a lower cost feed supply for cattle and swine as a replacement for corn and remains the second most used cereal grain for commercial growers of broilers, turkeys, and egg layers in corn / sorghum growing regions. Finally with water issues perhaps our biggest concern worldwide and certainly in the Great Plains this water sipping crop is becoming an even more significant feed/food related to our national security.

The National Sorghum Foundation was established in an effort to aid and promote higher education in agriculture and more specifically to promote the study of sorghum and its impact on agriculture. Contributors to the Foundation have recognized the impact by the number of states, academic departments, and most importantly Ag-college students who participate annually in this program. As so strongly stated by Dr. Norman Borlaug, Father of the Green Revolution and Nobel Prize recipient, students of today are our future hope for food security in this growing world.

Requirements for the Sorghum Feed and Food Scholarship

The National Sorghum Foundation will offer the Feed and Food Scholarship to university undergrad students (sophomore through senior standing) that are enrolled in an agriculturally based department related to animal science as well as human nutrition with emphasis on sorghum. Students are asked to submit a completed copy of the application, an updated transcript, and no less than two letters of recommendation. A selection committee of the Foundation Board of Directors will rank the applications and award the scholarship prior to the next school year.

Scholarship Benefit: \$1500 toward education expense

Timeline:

March 1, 2016 – June 1, 2016 applications collected from students for review

June 1 – July 15, 2016 selection committee to review applications

August 1 – August 15, 2016 winner(s) will be notified and funds distributed

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Name: _____ SSN: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)
Mailing Address: _____
Telephone: _____ Date of Birth: _____
E-mail: _____
US Citizen: _____ College or University currently attending: _____
Classification (2016-2017): _____
Major Field of Study: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____
Expected Graduation Date: _____

What role do you see sorghum playing in agriculture, especially feed and food? (Expanded responses may go on a separate sheet.)

What led you to pursue a degree in an agriculturally related field?

Please provide a concise list of your leadership activities since entering college:

What are your career aspirations following graduation?

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Please submit the following information for Sorghum Food and Feed Scholarship:

- 1) Official, updated transcripts
- 2) At least two letters of recommendation
- 3) A completed copy of the above application

The application package may be submitted to:

The Sorghum Food and Feed Scholarship
The National Sorghum Foundation
Attn: Dr. Bruce Maunder
4201 N. Interstate 27
Lubbock, TX 79403

Inquires may be directed to Dr. Maunder, Chair of the Foundation at texasgreenbug@aol.com or 806-749-3478

Application Deadline: June 1, 2016