



2016
TRAVEL FELLOWSHIP GUIDELINES
INTERNATIONAL STOCKMEN'S EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

In an effort to enhance the educational experiences of college students and strengthen the leaders of tomorrow's livestock and meat industries, the International Stockmen's Educational Foundation (ISEF) awards International Livestock Congress travel fellowships each year to senior-level undergraduates and graduate students currently enrolled in accredited colleges or universities.

The International Livestock Congress USA, managed through a partnership of the ISEF and the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™, is a unique global event that brings leaders from the livestock and meat industries together to discuss issues of international importance that affect the future of animal agriculture. Students will participate in the event **March 2 – 4, 2016**, in Houston, Texas that will include a student career workshop, the International Livestock Congress USA, and associated tours and activities.

- Fellowships include airfare, ground transportation, hotel and scheduled meals. Scholastic achievement, leadership experiences and professional references are all part of the stringent qualifying requirements for this fellowship.
- Travel fellowship recipients must participate in all activities of the International Livestock Congress and develop a professional white paper on a relevant topic or issue affecting the livestock and/or meat industries. The topic or issue should relate to an area presented or discussed at the 2016 ILC USA.
- Recipients will also be required to make a presentation to a breed association or a similar group in their area about their experiences at the International Livestock Congress.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications will be only accepted through an online submission process. Please read the instructions carefully!

Helpful Hints regarding the online submission process:

- Prior to beginning the online application process, please review the application online submission process and familiarize yourself with the required documents that must be included with your application. Please have all documents (résumé, transcript(s) and professional photo) ready and accessible. Once you begin the online application process, you must complete it in its entirety, as the online system does not allow for the ability to save your work and return to it later.
- Copying and pasting text from other documents (i.e., résumé) into the online application is permissible.
- You are required to upload your professional photo at the time of online submission.
- You may either upload your transcript(s) at the time of online submission or mail them directly to Grace Glenn, ISEF Student Program Coordinator (see below for more details).

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

1. All applications must be completed and submitted online (<http://www.theisef.com/travel-fellowship-application-1.html>).
2. One *head and shoulders photograph* must be uploaded and submitted online. Photo must be high quality and suitable for publishing:
 - JPG/JPEG or TIFF file format
 - At least 250KB but not larger than 10MB
 - No passport photos
3. *Professional Reference Forms* must be completed and submitted online by three persons selected by you to serve as a reference. Please direct them to the link for online submission. One reference must be from your immediate academic advisor.
4. A *college transcript* must be submitted for each degree that you have received and for the degree that you are currently pursuing. College transcripts may be unofficial at the time of application submission; however, the top 12 students selected will be required to submit an official transcript before being confirmed as a recipient. Transcripts can be submitted in one of two ways:
 - Uploaded during the online submission process as a PDF, JPEG/JPG or TIFF; file must be no larger than 10MB.
 - Mailed to:
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Texas A&M University
College Station, TX 77843-2471
5. Once your application and supporting materials are received, an email will be sent to your Department Head requesting approval of your submitted application. Please notify your Department Head that you are applying for this fellowship and inform them that they are required to approve your application via email response.

Applications and all supporting materials must be received by November 1, 2015. Please note that students failing to send all required information will be disqualified from consideration.

Questions regarding the application process may be sent to Maggie Tucker at students@theisef.com.

Checklist for 2016 ISEF Travel Fellowship Application Process:

- √ Application (Online submission ONLY)
- √ Professional Photo (Online submission ONLY)
- √ College Transcripts (Online submission or via postal mail)
- √ Three professional reference forms (Online ONLY submitted by individual serving as a reference)