

## **International Livestock Congress Student Program Travel Bursary Guidelines**

In an effort to enhance the educational experiences of university and college students and strengthen the leaders of tomorrow's livestock and meat industry, the ILC awards travel bursaries each year for the International Livestock Congress to senior level undergraduates and graduate students attending accredited colleges or universities.

The International Livestock Congress Calgary, managed through a partnership of the Canadian Cattlemen's Association and the ISEF, is a unique global event that brings leaders from the livestock and meat industry together to discuss issues of international importance that affect the future of animal agriculture. Students will participate in the event **Sunday August 7 to Wednesday August 10, 2011 inclusive** in Calgary, Alberta. Events will include the International Livestock Congress Calgary, the ILC Student Forum and tours of beef related facilities north and south of Calgary including feedlots and ranches.

- Bursary includes airfare, ground transportation, hotel and scheduled meals. Scholastic achievement, leadership experiences and letters of recommendation are all part of the stringent qualifying requirements for this fellowship.
- Bursary recipients must participate in all activities laid out in the ILC Student program and develop a professional paper that summarizes the outcomes of the event.
- These papers must be submitted in English to the student's department head and a copy forwarded to the ILC office within 90 days following the Congress. Papers will be evaluated by a selection committee for possible publication in the event proceedings.
- 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:**

The application process will be almost entirely electronic. Please read the Application Instructions carefully under student program in the ILC website at [www.ilccalgary.com](http://www.ilccalgary.com). All applications and supporting materials (letters of reference, photo, and transcripts) will be directed to Iris Meck, ILC Student Program Coordinator.

### **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1) Complete the application form "International Livestock Congress Student Program Travel Bursary Application", sign the printed copy, scan the signed copy. Email the signed copy to Iris Meck using [iris@irismeck.com](mailto:iris@irismeck.com). Please include "ILC Calgary- Your Name" in the subject line of the email and submit your application and other required materials.
- 2) Three *letters of reference* must be submitted via email as attachments to Iris Meck using [iris@irismeck.com](mailto:iris@irismeck.com). All letters of reference must be received directly from the person providing the reference (not from the student applicant). Please ensure that the email subject line reads "ILC-Calgary – Your Name".
- 3) One *head and shoulders photograph* must be submitted via email as attachments to Iris Meck using [iris@irismeck.com](mailto:iris@irismeck.com). Photos must be high quality, suitable for publishing in the program, and sent as a jpg or tif file at least 250K in size and in color. **NO PASSPORT PHOTOS.**
- 4) Please provide a *college transcript* for each degree that you have received and/or are currently pursuing. College transcripts can be scanned and email mailed to Iris Meck or faxed to 403-255-

4592.

5) Once your application is received, an email will be sent to your Department Head asking them to approve your submitted application. Please notify your Department Head that you are applying for this fellowship and make them aware that they will need to approve your application via email response.

**Deadline for applications and all supporting materials: June 1, 2011 (must be received by the ILC office in Calgary by that date.)**

*Please note that students have been disqualified for failing to send all required information. You will not be notified if all information is not received.*

Questions regarding the application process? Contact Iris Meck by email at [iris@irismeck.com](mailto:iris@irismeck.com) or call 403-686-8407.

### **Checklist for 2011 International Livestock Congress Calgary Student Program Travel Bursary Application**

- Completed application
- Completed and "Signed" application
- College transcripts
- Three (3) letters of reference
- Head and shoulders photograph