

National Milk Producers Federation

National Dairy Leadership Scholarship Program

Instructions: To qualify for NMPF's National Dairy Leadership Scholarship, applicants must be currently enrolled in a graduate degree program in the United States and be actively pursuing a dairy-related field of research that will directly benefit dairy cooperatives, dairy farmers, or the US dairy industry.

Each applicant must provide the following:

- 1) An application package, which consists of the following three items submitted as a single pdf file.
 - a) The attached, completed, information form.
 - b) A research summary, as outlined below.
 - c) A current résumé.
- 2) Two letters of recommendation. Letters should come <u>directly</u> from the reference, and will be accepted either as paper or electronic (as a pdf is preferred).

Research Summary: A summary of your research should accompany the application. When double-spaced, the text <u>should not exceed three pages</u> (citations count toward the page limit, but are not required) and should include the following information:

- 1. Identify a current problem or issue that your research proposes to address.
- 2. State your research objectives.
- 3. Describe your research approach.
- 4. Describe why this problem is important to the US dairy industry and how your research will allow the industry to address the problem.

Résumé: A current résumé, no more than three pages, should accompany the application. It should contain, at least, the following information:

- Educational background (for each: degree, program, institution, year of graduation, and GPA)
- List of publications (if any)
- List of awards or honors received
- Relevant work experience
- Long-term career goals

Space permitting, your résumé may also contain other areas of relevance, such as extracurricular activities, leadership experience, teaching experience, etc.

Evaluation: Scholarship recipients will be selected by the National Milk Producers Federation's Board of Directors in June 2015, and will be notified soon afterwards. Payment will be made to coincide with the start of the 2015/2016 academic year. All application materials should be sent to:

Beth Briczinski, bbriczinski@nmpf.org

or, Beth Briczinski; NMPF Scholarship Program; 2101 Wilson Blvd., Suite 400; Arlington, VA 22201;

Complete applications must be received no later than March 27, 2015.



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Scholarship Application Information Form

Current School Mailing Address:
School Phone Number:
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Year Expected:
Email address:
Phone number:
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