

Graduate Students Travel Grant Requirements

The NAAIC has established a travel grant program for graduate students who will be making oral or poster presentations at the 42th NAAIC meeting in Boise, Idaho. These grants are funded through the Sustaining Membership Fund of the NAAIC, which consists of donations made from organizations supporting alfalfa improvement and utilization. Sustaining member donors include: ABI Alfalfa, Inc., Cal/West Seeds, Celpril, Dairyland Seed Co. Inc., FFR Cooperative, Forage Genetics Int'l, Great Plains Research, Pioneer Hi-Bred Int'l, and W-L Research, Inc.

Current plans are that a maximum of six (6) travel grants of up to \$300 each will be available to qualified individuals. Application requirements are outlined below.

Application Requirements for Graduate Student Travel Award to the 42nd NAAIC

- 1) Name, address, phone number, and email address of student.
- 2) A brief biography of student
- 3) Name, address, phone number, and email address of advisor and major professor.
- 4) Title and 100-word summary of paper or poster to be presented.
- 5) For advisor/major professor: briefly provide justification for a travel grant award to the NAAIC meeting. Include significant research, speaking, academic, and personal experiences relevant for consideration of this award.

The NAAIC Awards Committee will review applications. Criteria for evaluation will primarily include the originality and relevance of the research presentation to alfalfa improvement.

Students from outside North America are encouraged to apply. **Preference will be given to students who have NOT received a grant for a previous NAAIC meeting while pursuing the same degree.** Prior award winners will only be eligible if they are pursuing a different degree than when they received the first award.

Submit application form by **April 1, 2010.**

The application will preferably be submitted electronically to: djunders@wisc.edu

Alternatively, the application may be mailed to:

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1575 Linden Drive
University of Wisconsin
Madison, WI 53706
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If receipt of application is not promptly acknowledged, please inquire. Applicants will be notified approximately 6 weeks prior to the meeting regarding the status of the awards. The awards will be presented at the meeting.