2016 International Veterinary Experience Scholarship Application

AWARD INFORMATION:

- The International Veterinary Experience Scholarship is funded by the International Veterinary Experience Committee (IVEC) of the Student American Veterinary Medical Association (SAVMA).
- The International Veterinary Experience Scholarship is awarded to deserving SAVMA members who demonstrate a strong desire to participate in a veterinary-related international experience. Eight awards will be distributed this year in the amount of \$500 each.
- Applications must be electronically submitted NO LATER THAN January 19, 2016 at 11:59 PM.
- Applications will be reviewed by IVEC members from January-March, 2016. Recipients will be chosen and announced at the SAVMA Symposium in March, 2016.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Applicant must be a member (or affiliate member) of the Student American Veterinary Medical Association.
- The international experience must be completed within 365 days of the application deadline. Fourth year externship opportunities are eligible.
- Following the international experience, the scholarship recipient must submit an essay to the Vet Gazette describing the experience and the impact that the International Veterinary Experience Scholarship had on the student's experience.
- Previous scholarship recipients are ineligible for re-application.
- IVEC will require a letter/email of invitation from the host to be submitted with the application. The letter should be written in English and include the country, length of stay, and purpose of the externship.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Students interested in applying for scholarship funds must submit the following four (4) items in order to qualify:

Failure to submit all required documents or to follow formatting requirements will result in <u>immediate disqualification</u>. See below for formatting details.

1. Scholarship application: Included at the end of this document.

2. Personal Statement:

 Describe in 500 words or less how this experience will promote your professional and personal development as well as what insight/perspective you wish to gain from the experience and how this will impact your anticipated professional career.

3. Estimated budget:

• Outline anticipated expenses: travel, lodging, food, medical, etc. Include a timeline.

4. Letter of Recommendation (1):

- Must be from a current AVMA member (faculty member, professor, or employer).
- The letter must include the contact information of the author.
- The author must include his/her AVMA membership number on the letter.
- The author may submit the letter of recommendation via email to ivecscholarships@gmail.com or to the applicant to be submitted with the rest of their application.

FORMAT REQUIREMENTS:

- ****DO NOT** state your name or the name of your university anywhere in your essay or budget (e.g. do not use headers with your name). The only place your name should appear is in the letter of recommendation and where explicitly prompted in the scholarship application form below.
- Once you have completed all four parts of the application and ensured your name or university name does not appear anywhere in your essay or budget, compile all materials as a <u>SINGLE DOCUMENT</u> in PDF format.
- Title your compiled PDF document with your last name and 2016 IVEC Award. Example: "LASTNAME, 2016 IVEC Award.PDF"
- All completed International Veterinary Experience Scholarship applications must be submitted to the International Veterinary Experience Committee no later than January 19, 2015 at 11:59 PM.
- Your <u>single PDF</u> document should be emailed to:

Catie Gammon and John Griffioen 2015-2016 IVEC Scholarship Chairs ivecscholarships@gmail.com

• Letters of recommendation may be submitted separately. Should your recommender choose to submit the letter directly, please have him/her save their letter as a PDF with the title: "ApplicantLastName, IVEC Recommendation.PDF." All letters should be emailed to <u>ivecscholarships@gmail.com</u>.

For mailed recommendations, please request a mailing address from the above email address.

IVEC International Veterinary Experience Scholarship

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Year of Graduation				
Abroad Location (Country, Province/State, City)			Length of Exchange	
Exchange Contact Information (Name of Host or Hospital)				
SAVMA ID Number		Years of SAVMA Membership		
I certify that all information presented in this application is true to the best of my knowledge (please type or electronically sign).				

Signature	Date