

IAFP Student Travel Scholarship

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Objective: To provide travel funding for full-time students to attend the Annual Meeting (including symposia and technical sessions) of the International Association for Food Protection and to encourage developing scientists to participate in association activities. Scholarships will be awarded to students enrolled in a college or university food safety related degree program.

For the 2010 program year, it is our pleasure to support the travel of a minimum of six qualified students to attend IAFP 2010, to be held August 1–4 in Anaheim, California. Through generous contributions to the IAFP Foundation, scholarships will be awarded to one student from a developing country, three students from outside North America, and two students from North America.

Application Deadline: February 16, 2010

Criteria for Applicants

- Be a member of IAFP
- Demonstrate interest in and commitment to food safety and quality as a student enrolled full-time in a food science, microbiology, toxicology, or other program related to food microbiological or toxicological safety (undergraduate or graduate level) at a college or university at the time of the application deadline
- Submit an application by **February 16, 2010**, that includes:
 - Completed Student Travel Scholarship Application Form
 - Statement of Interest (one page) explaining:
 - Why you are interested in food safety and quality
 - Your career aspirations
 - Why you wish to attend the IAFP Annual Meeting
 - Your current research projects (if any): how the project will enhance food safety or quality, and who will benefit from the work
 - Letter of recommendation from faculty member or department head (letter may be E-mailed directly from faculty member or department head)
 - Official transcripts of completed coursework and grades
 - Additional information (optional; one page maximum) to include:
 - List of received awards, honors, travel grants, scholarships, etc
 - Schools attended
 - Other relevant supporting materials
- Submit application in English to facilitate review

Additional Information for Application

- Applicant is not required to present an oral or poster technical paper to qualify for the award
- Previous recipients of this scholarship are not eligible to apply
- Applications may be submitted to IAFP by mail, express courier, fax, or via E-mail as Microsoft Word or PDF attachments to:
 - International Association for Food Protection
 - Attention: David Tharp, Executive Director
 - 6200 Aurora Avenue, Suite 200W
 - Des Moines, Iowa 50322-2864, USA
 - Phone: 800.369.6337 or 515.276.3344
 - Fax: 515.276.8655
 - E-mail: scholarship@foodprotection.org
- An acknowledgment of receipt of complete application will be sent via E-mail by IAFP within 72 hours of receipt
- Applicants will be notified of the final decision by **March 29, 2010**

Travel Guidelines

Recipient Responsibilities

- If required, recipient will secure passport and visa for travel.
- Travel award is not transferable to another student or professor.
- Recipient will be responsible for making economy-fare airline travel arrangements. Recipient will book airfare one to two months before the meeting to ensure the lowest economy fare available. *Please plan to arrive and be rested for attendance at the 5:30 p.m. Welcome Reception on Saturday, July 31.*
- Receipts for airfare, transfers, and meals should be submitted to IAFP for reimbursement after completion of travel. Detailed instructions will be provided.
- Recipient is asked to submit a written summary of their experiences at the Annual Meeting by September 3 for publication in *Food Protection Trends*.

IAFP Responsibilities

- Total award for a student enrolled at a university located in the US or Canada shall not exceed \$2,500 in US funds. Total award for a student enrolled at a university outside the US and Canada shall not exceed \$3,500 in US funds.
- IAFP 2010 registration will be paid directly by IAFP.
- Hotel reservation (for single or double occupancy) will be made and paid directly by IAFP. The reservation will be made in the recipient's name for arrival at the Anaheim Convention Center on Saturday, July 31 (on Friday, July 30, if traveling from outside North America), with departure on Thursday, August 5.

Questions regarding the reimbursement policy for the IAFP Student Travel Scholarship should be directed to David Tharp, Executive Director