

IVEC International Exchange Scholarship Guidelines 2010

Award guidelines:

- The International Exchange (IE) Scholarship is funded by the International Veterinary Exchange Committee of the Student American Veterinary Medical Association.
- The IE Scholarship is awarded to deserving SAVMA members who demonstrate a strong desire to participate in a veterinary-related international exchange.
- Two \$500 IE Scholarships are awarded each year.
- Applications must be electronically submitted NO LATER THAN February 1st, 2010.
- Recipients will be chosen by the IVEC at the annual SAVMA Symposium in March.

Applicant requirements:

- Applicant must be a member (or affiliate member) of the Student American Veterinary Medical Association.
- International exchange must be completed within 365 days of the application deadline.
- Following the international exchange, the scholarship recipient must submit an essay to the IVEC describing the experience and the impact of the scholarship on the exchange. This essay will then be published in the next issue of The Vet Gazette.
- Previous scholarship recipients are ineligible for re-application.
- IVEC will require a letter/email of invitation, submitted with the application, from the host stating, in English, the country, length of stay, and purpose of the externship.

Application Procedure:

Students interested in applying for scholarship funds must submit the following:

- **Scholarship application.**
Additional forms can be found at www.avma.org/savma. Log onto the SAVMA website using your SAVMA ID number and password. Follow the link under “SAVMA Committees”. Follow the link under “International Veterinary Exchange Committee”. Be sure to include local contact information and phone number, passport number, and details of exchange (contact person, phone number, location, type of practice).
- **Essay.**
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 and how you believe it will impact your expected professional career. PLEASE DO NOT state anywhere in the essay your name or the name of your university. Send the essay with the application to ensure they remain together once received by the IVEC.

- **One letter of recommendation.**
Must be from a current AVMA member (faculty member, professor, or employer). Must include contact information of author.
- **Estimated budget.**
Outline anticipated expenses: travel, lodging, food, medical. Include timeline.

Deadline and submission information:

- All application materials must be electronically submitted NO LATER THAN February 1st, 2010.
- All completed IE Scholarship applications must be submitted to the International Veterinary Exchange Committee:

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*Letters of recommendation can be mailed to the address above if email is not possible.