

# 2017 Future of Agriculture Honor Scholarship Application



 **MONTANA  
FARM BUREAU  
FOUNDATION**  
*Investing in the Future of Montana Agriculture*

Thank you for your interest in the \$1,000 Future of Agriculture Honor Scholarship Application administered by the Montana Farm Bureau Foundation through a generous donation from Seed Source, Inc. of Toston, MT. The scholarship will be awarded for the Fall 2017 semester.

The purpose of this scholarship is to assist students towards the completion of a degree in a field pertaining to agriculture. A special emphasis will be given to applicants who have shown ingenuity in agricultural production and advancement of small scale agriculture. Please return your completed application and all requested materials, to:

Attn: Scholarship Selection Committee  
Montana Farm Bureau Foundation  
502 S. 19<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 104  
Bozeman, MT 59718

## Eligibility

Applicant must be pursuing a major, minor or graduate degree in a field pertaining to agriculture from an accredited institute of higher education. Students must be enrolled at that institution for the Fall 2017 semester and achieved at least a sophomore level of education.

## Requirements

Complete the application NEATLY (typed or in ink) and return to Montana Farm Bureau Foundation. All applications must be postmarked on or before **April 1, 2017** to be considered. In addition to a completed application, please provide the following:

- ✓ **Applicant Statement:**
  - A letter or statement from the applicant giving the applicant's reasons for applying for the scholarship and the applicant's future plans.
- ✓ **Letters of Recommendation:**
  - One (1) letter from an employer, adult leader, or president of a club or organization that the student has been active in outside of school.
  - One (1) letter from an instructor in the applicant's field of endeavor.

**\*\*Letters of recommendation must have been written within the last six (6) months and should contain the name of the applicant, the writer's relationship to the applicant, the writer's contact information, and be sealed. A parent or close relative cannot be considered as a reference.**

- ✓ **Official grade transcript(s):**
  - Junior College transcript (if applicable)
  - College transcript

## Selection

A scholarship selection committee will review all applications and will choose one award recipient based on quality and sincerity of the applicant statement, financial need, character and endeavor. **Proven work experience and future goals showing ingenuity in agricultural production and advancement of small scale agriculture will carry extra weight in the judging process.** If needed, an interview of finalists may take place. The finalists will be notified if this is necessary. The award recipient will be notified by **June 1, 2017**.

For any questions please contact Foundation Coordinator Scott Kulbeck at (406) 587-3153 or [scottk@mfbf.org](mailto:scottk@mfbf.org).

Application Deadline: **April 1, 2017**  
**PLEASE TYPE OR WRITE NEATLY!**

**Personal Information**

Name: Last First MI

Address: (Street, City, State, Zip)

Phone: E-Mail:

**Educational Information**

Major: Minor:

For what occupation are you preparing?

Academic Objective: Associate's Bachelor's Master's

Academic Standing in September of 2017: Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate

Expected Date of Graduation:

School you will be attending for the 2017-2018 School Year: (Please provide name, phone number, and address)

List High School, Junior College, Vocational/Tech School, and/or College attended (including your present school).

School Name	Phone Number	Complete Address	Graduation Date
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## Additional Information

List any work experience during the last two years.

Position/Company/Organization	Date From:	Date To:	Hrs/Week
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Do you work while attending college: Yes      No      If yes, how many hrs/week?

Please describe your background in agriculture. (Include appropriate education, work experience, and extra-curricular activities.)

Please detail past work experience that highlights your ability to show ingenuity towards workplace goals.

Please list your goals for post-collegiate involvement in the agricultural industry.

***Incomplete scholarship applications received by Montana Farm Bureau Foundation will not be considered for awards.***

## **APPLICANT CERTIFICATION**

1. I hereby certify that all information provided within this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
2. I hereby authorize the release of information to the necessary persons involved in the decision of any scholarship awards.

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent's Signature (If applicant if under 18 years of age)

Date