

## ***The Bruce Maunder Sorghum Leadership Scholarship The National Sorghum Foundation***

Dr. Bruce Maunder faithfully served U.S. sorghum producers for more than 20 years through his work as a volunteer research adviser at National Sorghum Producers as well as his participation on the National Sorghum Foundation board of directors. Before joining the NSP team, Bruce directed worldwide sorghum research for DEKALB Genetics Corporation and in his 37 years with DEKALB brand was responsible for the release of more than 150 commercial sorghum hybrids grown on as much as 10 million acres in as many as 49 countries. His passion for excellence has driven him to continually make an impact for people all around the world. Bruce's dedication and service to the sorghum industry is unparalleled, and it is appropriate to recognize him and his dedication not only to sorghum improvement and sorghum growers, but also to future growers, researchers, and end users of the crop he holds so dearly. In addition to his work with NSP and DEKALB, Dr. Maunder held numerous national positions including President of the Crop Science Society, Board of Diversity magazine, World Food Prize, and the Sorghum Crop Germplasm Committee of USDA. For more than 20 years he was active with the US/AID INTSORMIL program as Chair of the External Evaluation Panel. National Sorghum Producers and the National Sorghum Foundation appreciate his exceptional service, dedication and loyalty to the sorghum industry and will provide The Bruce Maunder Sorghum Leadership Scholarship award in his honor.

The National Sorghum Foundation was established in an effort to aid and promote higher education in agriculture, more specifically, to promote the study of sorghum and its impact on agriculture. The collective founders of the Foundation including producers, researchers, and private industry know the world of agriculture is changing as times change.

### **Eligibility Requirements for The Bruce Maunder Sorghum Leadership Scholarship Award**

- **University undergrad students** (*sophomore through senior standing*)
- **Must be enrolled in an Agriculturally based department.**

### **Scholarship Application Contents**

- **Students are asked to submit a completed copy of the application**
- **An official copy of current transcripts**
- **At least two letters of recommendation.**
- **A headshot photo for use in a media release**

### **Scholarship Benefits**

A selection committee made up of the National Sorghum Foundation Board of Directors will rank the applications and award the winner of The Bruce Maunder Sorghum Leadership Scholarship package. The scholarship package will consist of the following:

- **\$1500 award to be applied toward one semester of tuition expenses**
- **A trip to Washington D.C. with the National Sorghum Producers. Students will meet their Congressional representatives and watch the legislative process as state association presidents discuss and resolve timely agricultural issues for the producers they represent.**

### ***Timeline:***

March 1 – June 1, 2018:	Applications postmarked by June 1, 2018 will be collected from students for review.
June 1 – July 15, 2018:	The selections committee will review the applications.
Aug 1 – Aug 15, 2018:	The winner will be contacted and funds distributed

# *The Bruce Maunder Sorghum Leadership Application*

## *The National Sorghum Foundation*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

US Citizen: \_\_\_\_\_ College or University currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Classification (2018-2019): \_\_\_\_\_

Major Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet:**

1. What led you to pursue a degree in an agriculturally related field?
2. What role do you see sorghum playing as regards, sustainable agriculture in the 21st century and beyond?
3. Moving forward, water and water issues as related to urban vs. agricultural interests will be significant challenges. How do you see sorghum as a player in this discussion?
4. What are your plans post graduation and why?
5. Please provide a comprehensive list of you leadership activities since entering college. Include activities external of school, e.g., church, community volunteer, etc.
6. Would you be interested in serving as an intern for the National Sorghum Producers organization and why?

Are you or any member of your immediate family a member of the National Sorghum Producers? \_\_\_\_\_ Membership ID# \_\_\_\_\_

*(Note: This is not a qualification.)*

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*Please submit the following information for The Bruce Maunder Sorghum Leadership:*

- 1) Official, updated transcripts
- 2) At least two letters of recommendation
- 3) A completed copy of the above application
- 4) A headshot photo for use in a media release

The application package may be submitted to:

**The National Sorghum Foundation**  
**Attn: Larry Lambright**  
**4201 N. Interstate 27**  
**Lubbock, TX 79403**

Inquires may be directed to Larry Lambright, Chairman of the Foundation at [larry@sorghumgrowers.com](mailto:larry@sorghumgrowers.com) or 806-773-1328.

**Application Deadline: June 1, 2018. Incomplete application packets received or those application packets which are postmarked after June 1 will not be considered. Applications and supporting letters should be singled sided and not stapled with a minimum font size of 11.**