

# Michigan Livestock Industry Scholarship Foundation Application

**Due: March 23, 2026**

**MLISF SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA:** Annually, 8-12 scholarships of approximately \$3,500 are typically awarded. The foundation board selects a set of applicants for in-person interviews based on the written applications. Having a passion for the animal sciences, applicants must have previously completed a minimum of 12 credits while at Michigan State University (MSU), with a minimum GPA of 2.5. Awardees must be enrolled at MSU and presently pursuing an undergraduate degree. Students enrolled in the MSU Institute of Ag. Tech. may apply if they are seeking the scholarship to be awarded following transfer to an MSU undergraduate program. Majoring in Animal Science is not required, but applicants must be seeking careers specifically related to the beef cattle, sheep, swine, equine, meats, and(or) the food animal pre-vet industries. MLISF scholarships are not awarded for pursuit of graduate or professional degrees.

**SHELLE SCHOLARSHIP (ADDITIONAL CRITERIA):** Applicants must be a MSU Animal Science major who is dedicated to pursuing a career in the equine industry, in a field other than veterinary medicine. Strong consideration will be given those with background, experience and(or) interest in Arabian horses, breeding horses, and(or) experience with multiple livestock species.

## APPLICATION (complete shaded boxes)

### BACKGROUND

<b>Applicant name:</b>		<b>PID:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>		<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Local address:</b>			
<b>Home (permanent) address:</b>			
<b>Name of parent(s):</b>			

### ACADEMICS

<b>MSU major(s)/minor(s):</b>			
<b>Current MSU GPA:</b>		<b>MSU credits earned to date:</b>	
<b>High school GPA:</b>		<b>Current class, Fr./So./Jr./Sr.:</b>	
<b>Colleges attended besides MSU:</b>		<b>Started MSU (Semester/Yr):</b>	
<b>College credits besides MSU:</b>		<b>Expected Graduation (Semester/Yr):</b>	

### RESUME

Please include a current, one page, resume noting experience, leadership positions, extracurricular activities, clubs and awards.

### PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please prepare a one page statement that addresses your career plans and how you expect to contribute to one of the many areas of animal agriculture. Statement should be single spaced, 12 point Arial font with 1 inch margins. Please title the statement, and include your name beneath the title (no cover page please).

### MSU TRANSCRIPT (student copy)

Please include your MSU TRANSCRIPT from the registrar's transcript page (<https://reg.msu.edu/Transcripts>) as a separate attachment.

### STATEMENT OF CONSENT

*By signing below, I 1) waive my right under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) for my application information and academic transcript to be disclosed to the MLISF Board of Trustees for the purpose of determination of awards; 2) affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the material contained in the application is true and complete; 3) plan to remain a fulltime student ( $\geq 12$  credits, excluding summer) for the funding period; and 4) consent to disclose my name, home town, and photo for use in public communications promoting the scholarship.*

		<b>You must sign the hard copy, or your application can not be considered.</b>
Student Signature (do not type)	Date	

### RETURN APPLICATION (HARD COPY ONLY PLEASE)

Return to Tracy Rich, Department of Animal Science, 1250 Anthony Hall, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824.  
For questions (353.9227, [richt@msu.edu](mailto:richt@msu.edu)). **Final copy packet order:** 1) Application, 2) Resume, 3) Statement, 4) Transcript