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SCHOLARSHIPS

Michigan State University students interested in a dairy-related career are encouraged to apply for a MDMSF scholarship.

Scholarship Offerings

- \$3,000 over two semesters to first-year students
- \$3,500 over two semesters for continuing students

GLENN AND ANNE LAKE SCHOLARSHIP | \$8,500 over two semesters

RUSSEL ERICKSON SCHOLARSHIP | \$6,000 over two semesters

DONALD AND VALERA MURRAY SCHOLARSHIP | \$5,000 over two semesters

HAROLD AND LILLIAN GREMEL SCHOLARSHIP | \$5,000 for a student in veterinary school

RED AND EDNA COTTER PURINA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP | \$5,000 for a student in veterinary school (preference to those with international interest)

JOHN AND BARBARA DILLAND SCHOLARSHIP | \$5,000 for a student with a major in Agribusiness Management

JACK AND BETTY BARNES INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP four \$2,000 scholarships for students planning an international experience

ARCHIE STUDER SCHOLARSHIP | \$5,000 over two semesters for student with interest in dairy breeding or production

NICK BELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP | \$5,000 over two semesters for student with interest in dairy promotion

VELMAR GREEN SCHOLARSHIP | \$5,000 for a second-year student in the Dairy Management Program of the Institute of Agricultural Technology

GEORGE AND SHIRLEY HAZLE SCHOLARSHIP | \$5,000 over two semesters for a student with a strong background in 4-H

GARY AND CAROLYN TRIMNER SCHOLARSHIP | \$5,000 over two semesters for the MMPA Food Systems Fellowship intern or a veterinary student pursuing a career in bovine medicine

DAN FIRST SCHOLARSHIP | \$5,000 over two semesters for a student with demonstrated interest in community involvement and a passion for innovation in the dairy industry.

Application Deadline

- September 27- all Ag Tech, 4-year and veterinary students

For more information or an application form, please contact Dr. Miriam Weber Baker at msw@msu.edu.



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Frequently Asked Questions

What is the selection process?

Applications are due on September 27 each year. The Scholarship Selection Committee of MSU faculty and industry partners will interview all applicants in October. Applicants will be notified of the outcome within 3 weeks following interviews. Scholarship awards will be applied to student accounts in fall and spring of the current academic year.

Who should apply?

Current MSU students in any major who are pursuing careers in the dairy industry are encouraged to apply. Scholarships are offered for MSU students in Ag Tech and 4-year programs and in veterinary school.

Are the scholarships renewable?

Yes, MSU students planning careers in the dairy industry are eligible to apply each year for a scholarship.

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