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2019 Nuffield International Farming Scholarships – Updated list of investors

Applications for 2019 Nuffield International Farming Scholarships opened on 3 July, and farmers and agriculturalists are encouraged to apply for an expanding number of available scholarships in various countries.

Further to the 11 scholarships already announced to those in the USA, Brazil, Georgia and Armenia, Nuffield International has confirmed additional opportunities to those in Zimbabwe and Chile.

Nuffield International CEO Jim Geltch says these additional scholarships are a great opportunity for farmers and agriculturalists to research the global agricultural industry and find new best practices they can apply back home.

“Our scholarship in Zimbabwe is being supported by a Zimbabwean coalition of farmers, the agricultural industry, including Nufarm Ltd., and farm organisations, demonstrating the establishment of valuable partnerships around the world,” he said.

“We are especially grateful for Nufarm’s support for recognising the future importance of food production on the African continent.”

“Nuffield offered scholarships in Zimbabwe between 1948 and 2002 and we are delighted to once again offer young farmers here the opportunity to apply, especially those who produce crops such as maize or tobacco, or grow livestock, fruits or flowers,” said Mr. Geltch.

An additional scholarship is also being offered to young farmers and agriculturalists in Chile, expanding Nuffield’s reach in South America.

This is supported by a Chilean coalition of farmers, the agricultural industry and farm organisations, open for a Chilean farmer or agricultural professional, and follows scholarships offered to young Brazilian farmers in recent years.

Nuffield International encourages farmers and agriculturalists to apply, with applications due by Sunday 30 September 2018.

Prospective Nuffield Scholars are men and women in agriculture with a desire to explore agriculture internationally. Scholars are typically between the ages of 25 and 45, with direct engagement in the agriculture industry.

With a program history that dates back to 1947, Nuffield Scholars are globally recognised farmers and agricultural professional hailing from more than ten countries. There are more than 1,700 Nuffield

Scholars worldwide and up to 85 are selected annually, providing each participant with personal capacity building experiences through global travel and networking.

Upon selection, scholars will travel the world, participating in both large and small group study tours along with individual research experiences linked to their preferred study topic of choice.

The global exposure provides the opportunity to grow personally, implement operational changes at business level and share new knowledge with other producers and their sector.

Available Scholarships

NI Scholarships marked with * are available subject to funding being confirmed.

1. Supported by TIAA-CREF Global Agriculture - open to farmers and agribusiness professionals from USA, Brazil and Chile. The applicant must nominate to study one of the following topics:
 - a. Disruption to conventional farming systems from new technology.
 - b. Models for institutional investors capital to provide opportunities for young and family farmers.
 - c. Mixed farming systems and their relevance in sustainable farming systems in the future.
 - d. Natural capital / valuing natural capital and its intrinsic contribution to land values.
 - e. Quality standards and certification as a reference of sustainability and their importance to farmers and landowners.
 - f. How to maintain and Improve Soil Health
 - g. Sustainable Water Use Practices (Irrigation).
2. Supported by Nufarm - open to a Brazilian farmer or agricultural professional
3. Supported by Grupo Bom Futuro* - open to Brazilian farmers and agribusiness professionals with a focus on biological solutions for large-scale production systems
4. Supported by Cooperfibra Cooperative* - open for a Brazilian farmer and agribusiness professional directly involved in Cooperfibra, or someone able to directly add long-term value to the cooperative
5. Supported by a group of Brazilian companies* - open to Brazilian farmers and agribusiness professionals
6. Supported by Iowa Corn, Iowa Soybeans Association, Iowa Pork, and Iowa Farm Bureau* - open to Iowa farmers and agribusiness professionals
7. Supported by a US company - open to USA farmers and agribusiness professionals to study labor efficiency in permanent planting primary production
8. Supported by a Delaware coalition of farmers, the agricultural industry and farm organizations* - open for a Delaware farmer or agricultural professional to study one of the following topics:
 - a. Advances in broiler production
 - b. Production and profit improvement in grain and soybean production
 - c. Synergies for agriculture/environment intersection
9. Supported by a US Organic Coalition* - open to organic farmers and agribusiness professionals in the USA

10. Supported by a coalition of agricultural industry and farm organizations in the country of Georgia* - open to a Georgian farmer or agricultural professional
11. Supported by an Armenian coalition of agricultural industry and farm organizations* - open to an Armenian farmer or agricultural professional
12. Supported by a Zimbabwean coalition of farmers, the agricultural industry, inc. Nufarm Ltd., and farm organizations, open for a Zimbabwean farmer or agricultural professional*
13. Supported by a Chilean coalition of farmers, the agricultural industry and farm organizations, open for a Chilean farmer or agricultural professional*

To apply, visit www.nuffieldinternational.org

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