

National Turkey Federation Leadership Conference

Student Program

July 14-16, 2013



Attending this conference was an amazing experience for me. Between the NTF meetings on key issues, the people in the turkey industry I met, and attending appointments with our Congressional leaders, I learned so much that will help me make a positive difference in the agriculture industry.

~ Kristen Pagel, University of Minnesota, 2012 student attendee

The National Turkey Federation (NTF) annually hosts a Leadership Conference in Washington DC. Leaders in the US turkey industry attend this conference to gain knowledge on current legislative issues impacting the turkey industry and to visit with elected officials. The Student Program is designed to encourage and support college age students from across the US to participate in the NTF Leadership Conference so they experience how citizens interact with the legislative process. This is a great opportunity for you to meet other students from across the US that has interest in the turkey industry.

Who College age students that desire to connect with and learn more about the US turkey industry.

Cost The Minnesota Turkey Growers Association will pay for airfare and hotel. Most meals will be provided as part of the conference. NTF Leadership Conference registration fee will be covered by the National Turkey Federation.

Schedule The student will be expected to arrive by Sunday afternoon and participate in the welcome reception. On Monday they will attend the Issues Briefing and Legislative Committee meeting where they will hear industry leaders discuss issues that are being addressed before Congress. Students will attend a special students only session to get to know other students and hear about a "typical" day on the hill. On Tuesday they attend the General Session and join MTGA members on Hill visits. The meeting will wrap up with the annual "Turkey Meet and Greet Congressional Reception" Tuesday evening where attendees will have the chance to meet Congressional staff. Flight home can be late Tuesday or Wednesday morning.

Selection By May 15 send an email to ldurben@minnesotaturkey.com with the following information:

1. Student Program Application Form (see page 2)
2. Brief essay telling us why you want to participate in this conference, and why you feel this would benefit your career goals
3. A copy of your resume

Recipient will be selected by members of the Minnesota Turkey Growers Association. If you have additional questions, please contact Steve Olson or Lara Durben at 763/682-2171.



The Minnesota Turkey Growers Association is dedicated to fostering a successful Minnesota turkey industry and its ability to make positive contributions to consumers, the economy, the environment and to its members.

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STUDENT PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM (Minnesota)

Part 1 – Contact Information

Full Name (<i>must match driver's licence or official ID</i>)	
Current Address	
Email Address	
Phone Number	
Emergency Contact (<i>name and phone number(s)</i>)	
Current GPA	
Full Birthdate (<i>needed for booking airline flight</i>)	

Part 2 – Essay

Using a separate sheet of paper, please write a short essay answering these questions:

- 1) Why do you want to participate in this conference?
- 2) Why do you feel this would benefit your career goals?

Part 3 – Your Resume

Please provide a copy of your resume. Email all documents to:

- Lara Durben, MTGA Communications & Program Director
- ldurben@minnesotaturkey.com

Deadline: May 15, 2013