

ASAS Southern Section – Emerging Scholar Award Guidelines

- I. Name of Award: ASAS Southern Section Emerging Scholar
- II. Purpose: To highlight exceptional research being conducted within the southern region by Ph.D. candidates and their mentors. To serve as a venue for promising Ph.D. candidates/graduates to present their dissertation research.
- III. Nature of Award: Opportunity to deliver a 30-minute presentation followed by 15 minutes for questions and discussion in the appropriate discipline session at the ASAS Southern Section annual meeting; the presentation will be highlighted in the program as the “Emerging Scholar Presentation” and the abstract will be published in the proceedings; the successful applicant will receive a \$400.00 award and a plaque.
- IV. Eligibility:
 - a. Applicant must be a current Member of the ASAS Southern Section.
 - b. Applicant must be a Ph.D. student at the time of submission or must have finished their Ph.D. program during the calendar year prior to the annual meeting.
 - c. Applicant must be available to deliver in person a 30-minute presentation at the ASAS Southern Section annual meeting, which generally occurs the first week of February.
 - d. Research presented at the annual meeting and published in the abstract must be from the successful applicant’s dissertation project and must have been conducted while he/she was enrolled at a university within the southern section.
 - e. Abstracts found unacceptable as described in the ASAS “Quality Standards for Abstracts” will not be considered.
 - f. In addition to the standard abstract, which will be published in the proceedings, an expanded abstract (not to exceed 5,000 characters and spaces) must be submitted by all applicants for judging purposes. This will allow for more thorough description of all facets of the applicant’s dissertation research project.
 - g. Applicant must provide 2 letters of support, 1 from his/her dissertation advisor and 1 from his/her department head.
 - h. Applicant must provide a CV that includes a publication list as per the following guidelines:
 - CV – Strict one (1)-page limit, exclusive of publications (typed in 12-point font using Times New Roman);
 - Begin with Name and current address followed by the name of the Southern Section institution from which you have received or expect to receive the Ph.D.
 - Provide Educational history – B.S. to Ph.D. including institutions and years degrees were earned.
 - Provide Employment History – most recent first.
 - List Honors & Awards.
 - Conclude with Professional Service and Activities.

- Publications list – Strict two (2)-page limit typed in 12-point font using Times New Roman
 - Provide (in Journal of Animal Science style) a complete list of published or accepted for publication materials under the following categories: Books & book chapters, Refereed journal articles, Proceedings papers, Abstracts, and Other.
 - i. Applicant must submit all application materials through the Southern Section ASAS Scientific Meeting **Awards** website – the successful applicant’s abstract will be the **ONLY one** of these abstracts presented at the meeting and published in the proceedings.
 - j. All entries must be submitted by published award deadlines.
- V. Application Procedure: Application is to be submitted electronically via the ASAS web site and this award will adhere to the current rules of the National ASAS.
- VI. Selection Criteria: The application will be judged on the following content.
- a. 60% on Expanded Abstract – importance, originality, clarity, implications of research
 - b. 20% on Letters of Support
 - c. 20% on Applicant’s CV – demonstrated ability to present and publish research
- VII. Evaluation Committee: The selection committee will be a panel of the past year’s Disciplinary Program Chairs. The non-voting chairperson will be the Past-President of ASAS Southern Section.
- VIII. Notification: Successful applicant will be notified by 1 month after the award submission deadline so they can prepare their presentation.