YOUNG SCHOLAR RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Objectives

1. Acknowledge the research accomplishments of current and/or recent Ph.D. and M.S. students in the Western Section of ASAS.
2. Generate more member participation by showcasing exceptional and contemporary research of future scientists.

Award

One M.S. student and one Ph.D. student will be recognized through this program. Each recipient will receive a plaque and complementary meeting registration.

Eligibility for Nomination

1. A nominee must be a member of WSASAS.
2. Students in their final year or within 12 months of having completed their Masters or Doctorate program are eligible.
3. Nominations may be submitted by active members in good standing of the American Society of Animal Science.
4. Receiving the YSRP award does NOT preclude the student from participating in the Graduate Student Paper Competition at the WSASAS annual meeting.
5. Recipients are required to attend the WSASAS annual meeting and present their accepted abstract as an expanded 30-minute invited talk.

Required Application Materials

1. CV of the nominee.
2. Abstract discussing research from Masters or Ph.D. work submitted through the regular submission process. If selected for the award, the abstract will be presented as an expanded 30-minute invited talk in the most appropriate regular scientific session. Only the recipient(s) of this recognition program will have their abstracts incorporated into the WSASAS Program.
3. Two letters of support (one must be within the nominee's department). Letters should be relevant to nominee's qualifications for this award.
4. Personal statement from nominee describing background, goals, objectives, and why nominee feels qualified for this award. The personal statement is limited to one page (single spaced; Times New Roman 12 font; 1-inch margins).
5. A citation from the nominator suitable for printing in the WSASAS Awards Program and *Journal of Animal Science* to be used to introduce the scholar at WSASAS annual meeting (limit 1500 characters).