

**Beef Improvement Federation
2011 Frank Baker Memorial Scholarship
Essay Contest for Graduate Students**

The annual Frank Baker Beef Improvement Essay Contest is being sponsored by the Beef Improvement Federation. Students currently enrolled in an advanced degree program at an accredited university in the United States or Canada are eligible. Students need not be U.S. citizens. Two winning essays will be published in the Proceedings of the BIF 42nd Annual Research Symposium and Annual Meeting. Each winning author will receive a scholarship of \$1000 to attend the BIF Meeting. The 2011 Convention will be held June 1-4, 2011 in Bozeman, Montana. Essays can be contributed on any specific topic concerning genetic improvement in beef cattle.

The essay should include the following components:

Contents

Introduction
Review of Literature
Conclusions and Implications to Genetic Improvement of Beef Cattle Bibliography

Format

The essay should not exceed 15 pages in length, excluding tables, figures and bibliography. It should be prepared as an electronic document (preferably in MS word) with 1 1/2 spacing on standard 8 1/2 x 11 inch paper using 1 inch margins (both sides, top and bottom).

Curriculum Vitae

Each applicant should submit curriculum vitae (not to exceed 2 pages in length) that includes the following items: Name, Address, Phone, Institution, Education (schools attended, dates, and degrees and majors), Current major, Work Experiences, Honors and Awards, Publications, and Thesis Topic(s).

By April 15, 2011, the essays and curriculum vitae should be e-mailed and sent as an attachment or postmarked and mailed on a CD to:

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Winners of travel awards will be notified by May 1, 2011.

Information on the Convention will be posted to: <http://www.beefimprovement.org>

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