The Darrell Rosenow Memorial Scholarship
The National Sorghum Foundation

Dr. Darrell Rosenow was a pioneer in hybrid sorghum breeding. His career spanned over 40 years as a sorghum plant breeder for the Texas A&M Experiment Station and he was instrumental in establishing the Sorghum Conversion Program, which introduced exotic sorghum germplasm into the United States in a form that was usable for breeders in the temperate world. He was also known for his work on drought tolerance, especially with his identification and characterization of “pre and post flowering” drought in sorghum. Darrell also had a great interest in sorghum diseases and help identify sorghum germplasm with resistance to many of the important sorghum diseases. More importantly, Darrell was a teacher and mentor for many aspiring sorghum students from both the United States, but especially from Africa and the world. His dedication to sorghum and those that worked with the crop will be remembered through this scholarship.

The National Sorghum Foundation was established in an effort to aid and promote higher education in agriculture, more specifically, to promote the study of sorghum and its impact on agriculture. The interests of the founding contributors are best summarized in a quote from Clays Kriible Delmas, “Western societies produced a flowering of human values and enduring beauty; I hope they will not be entirely lost in the new society whose shape we cannot know. Let us try to preserve the best and encourage the shoots of the new to grow in a direction that will not entirely distort the old.”

Requirements for the Darrell Rosenow Memorial Scholarship Award

The National Sorghum Foundation will offer “The Darrell Rosenow Memorial Scholarship” to University undergrad domestic and foreign students (sophomore through senior standing) that are enrolled in an Agriculturally based department related to agronomy, plant pathology, entomology, food science, and/or plant breeding with emphasis on sorghum. Students are asked to submit a completed copy of the application, signed by your Department Head, an official copy of current transcripts and at least two letters of recommendation. A selection committee, made up of the Foundation Board of Directors and family members of Darrell Rosenow, will rank the applications and award the winner of the Darrell Rosenow Memorial Scholarship.

Scholarship Benefits

The scholarships package will consist of the following:

- $1500 to be applied toward one semester of education expenses

Timeline:

March 1 – June 1, 2016: Applications will be collected from students for review.

June 1 – July 15, 2016: The selections committee will review the applications.

August 1 – August 15, 2016: The winner(s) will be contacted and awarded the Darrell Rosenow Memorial Scholarship. Financial arrangements will be made by the The National Sorghum Foundation.
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Name: ________________________________ SSN: ____________________________
   (Last) (First) (Middle)
Mailing Address: _______________________________________________________
Telephone: __________________________ Date of Birth: _______________________
E-mail: ___________________________ College or University currently attending:
Major Field of Study: _________________ Cumulative GPA: ___________________
Expected Graduation Date: _______________________________________________

What role do you see sorghum playing in agriculture? (Expanded responses may go on a separate sheet.)

What led you to pursue a degree in an agriculturally related field?

Please provide a concise list of your leadership activities since entering college:

What are you career aspirations following graduation?

Please submit the following information for Darrell Rosenow Memorial Scholarship:

1) Official, updated transcripts
2) At least two letters of recommendation
3) A completed copy of the above application

The application package may be submitted to:
The Darrell Rosenow Memorial Scholarship
The National Sorghum Foundation
Attn: Dr. Bruce Maunder
4201 N. Interstate 27
Lubbock, TX 79403

Inquiries may be directed to Dr. Maunder, Chair of the Foundation at texasgreenbug@aol.com or 806-749-3478

Application Deadline: June 1, 2016