WORLD'S POULTRY SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

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WPSA SUMMER VACATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Conditions of Award

1 Scholarships will be awarded to selected bona fide students for the furtherance of a period of study or research into an aspect of poultry science, or a poultry related subject. BSc, (taught) MSc or other “qualifying” degrees will be considered. Only students who are undertaking, but have not yet completed, a UK based recognised first degree or (taught) MSc course may apply.

2 This period of study is normally expected to take place during the summer vacation in the year of application, and to be of six to ten weeks duration.

3 The application must be supported by the Supervisor/Head of Department/Director or equivalent, who should also provide guidance and supervision during the project.

4 Preference will be given to applicants who are, or whose Supervisors are, members of WPSA.

5 Applicants may be in receipt of other concurrent awards, but any applied for or already agreed must be declared in the initial application.

6 Scholarships will not normally be awarded to the employees of commercial enterprises. This is at the discretion of the Branch Council who will consider applications on merit, see para 8.

7 Successful applicants will be expected to produce a short report in a standard format (see appendix) on the completion of their period of study/research. These must be completed and submitted by 1 October in year the award is made and ideally findings should be presented at the following WPSA UK Branch Annual conference.
Applications will be considered on their merit, irrespective of the level of degree course being undertaken by the applicant. The decision of the Council of the UK Branch of WPSA is final. The Branch reserves the right to make awards in full or in part, to withhold awards in exceptional circumstances and holds no responsibility for any claims which may arise as a result of these awards.

Any research or other work undertaken must comply with all existing legislation and any necessary licenses must be obtained.

Applications, which must be made on the appropriate form (photocopies are permitted), must be received at least one week prior to the Branch Annual Meeting.
Appendix: Directions for preparation of reports

Size: The report should have a maximum size of two pages of A4 (excluding Tables & Figures). Set the top and bottom margins to 2.5cm and the left and right margins to 2.5 cm. Use fully justified text.

Font: For text use Times New Roman 12 point and for tables use 10 point.

Line spacing: Use a line space of 1.2 (approximately 1.75 lines per cm).

Quality of manuscript: This must be intense black from laser or ink-jet printers.

Structure of paper

Title: Give a short title of less than 200 characters. Print should be in bold type in lower case except for the first word and proper nouns.

Authors: Give the first name(s) initials followed by the surname in CAPITALS. Different addresses of authors should be given by superscript numbers. Addresses should be typed in lower case italics.

Text: Do not use subheadings such as Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion, References and Acknowledgements, although the general organisation of the text should follow this structure. Leave a one-line gap between paragraphs but do not indent the first sentence. Use only SI units and use abbreviations and nomenclature as described in the Instructions to Contributors in British Poultry Science (www.tandf.co.uk/journals/authors/default.html).

References: Follow the format and rules as stated in the Instructions to Contributors in British Poultry Science.

Tables: These must be placed at the end of the document. Do not use shading. Horizontal lines can be used to separate column headings (titles and units) from the values. Do not use any vertical lines. Tables need to be given brief titles. They must include units for all variables. Give estimates of unaccountable variation (for example, pooled standard errors of means) in separate rows or columns.

Figures: These must be placed at the end of the document. They must be contained within the general margins of the text. Do not place within boxes. Figures also need to be given brief titles.

Statistics: Only a brief description of the statistical methods is needed but the amount of replication for each treatment should be stated. Parameters, such as means, differences between means, slopes, etc. should be accompanied by estimates of variation. Statements of treatment differences should include an indication of statistical significance (for example (P<0.05)).