



***Department of Nutritional Sciences***  
**Application for Cargill/Benevenga Undergraduate Research Stipend**

Any undergraduate in a Nutritional Sciences major, or any undergraduate student working on a research project with a faculty member in the Department of Nutritional Sciences, may be considered for the stipend based evaluation research proposal.

- Students are to complete the first 10 items.
- The research advisor must complete all sections of the **Advisor Recommendation form**.
- The **Review Recommendation** sheet should be completed by another professor, preferably in the major department, or in a related field.

Completed application form, recommendations and research proposal can be mailed to or dropped off at:

**Department of Nutritional Sciences  
Rm 266 – Attn: Scott Rankin  
1415 Linden Dr.  
Madison, WI 53706**

To be completed by the student:

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class/Year: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Campus ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Major(s)/Certificate(s): \_\_\_\_\_
6. Research Mentor: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Research Mentor's Department: \_\_\_\_\_
8. Graduation Date (Month, Year): \_\_\_\_\_
9. Cargill/Benevenga Undergraduate Research Stipend requested for [semester(s) and year]: \_\_\_\_\_



10. Research Proposal: To be completed on **3-4 SEPARATE PAGES AND ATTACHED TO THIS FORM**. Your research proposal must follow the outline below:

- a. **Project title** (no more than 80 characters).
- b. **Abstract** (250 words maximum).
- c. **Background and justification** (1 page maximum): Describe the research problem, briefly review relevant previous research, describe the significance of the research problem to the advancement of science relevant to nutrition and/or to society.
- d. **Objectives and hypothesis(es)**: Concisely state the objectives of the research and the hypothesis(es) to be tested.
- e. **Experimental methods** (2 pages maximum): Describe materials and methods, and statistical analyses; what are the expected results in relationship to objectives and hypotheses? What are potential problems and alternative approaches?
- f. **Previous experience** (1/2 page): Describe your previous research, laboratory, animal handling or other relevant experience.
- g. **Stipend requested** (one of two levels):
  - i. Total funding, \$1,500 of which \$500 is used to support the laboratory. A total of 2 credits of research (299, 681, 682, 691, 692, or 699) during a single semester are expected. A written final report is required in addition to an oral report of the finished project in a setting to be determined by the research mentor.
  - ii. Total funding \$3,000 of which \$750 is used to support the laboratory. A total of 4 credits of research (299, 681, 682, 691, 692, or 699, 2 cr each over two semesters) are expected. A written final report is required in addition to an oral report of the finished project in a setting to be determined by the research mentor.

I agree that if awarded a Cargill/Benevenga Undergraduate Research Stipend, I will complete the requirements of the Stipend and will file 2 copies of my final report with the Department of Nutritional Sciences (Rm. 266 Nutritional Science Building). I also agree that if I am unable to complete the requirements of the Stipend, I will immediately return the Stipend awarded.

Students Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## Project Advisor Recommendation

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Advisor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby waive the right under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, to inspect and review the Recommendation below. I understand this is a permanent waiver, revocable only upon written permission of Recommendation writer, and certify that this waiver is given voluntarily by me.

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **To be completed by mentor:**

In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 as amended, this document may be inspected by the student if requested.

- a. Worth of project (sustainability, educational merit, feasibility of completion, significance of proposal, adequacy of procedures, etc.):
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- b. Potential of participant and expected performance:
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- c. Please comment on your available time to supervise this project:
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- d. In your opinion, is the equipment budget and requested supplies justifiable?

Project Mentor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Office Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Return this recommendation form to Scott Rankin, Rm. 266 Department of Nutritional Sciences, 1415 Linden Dr.

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## Review Recommendation

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Reviewer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby waive the right under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, to inspect and review the Recommendation below. I understand this is a permanent waiver, revocable only upon written permission of Recommendation writer, and certify that this waiver is given voluntarily by me.

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATION FOR PROJECT

#### To be completed by a professor other than the Project Professor:

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- a. Worth of project (suitability, educational merit, feasibility of completion, significance of proposal, adequacy of procedures, etc.):

- b. Potential of participant and expected performance (please circle one):

- i. Potential of participant:

Excellent	Above Average
Average	Below Average

- ii. Expected performance of participant (please circle one):

Excellent	Above Average
Average	Below Average

- c. Additional Comments:

Professor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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