



## ***THROLSON AMERICAN BISON FOUNDATION***

### **Throlson American Bison Foundation Scholarships for the Year 2015**

The Throlson American Bison Foundation is pleased to announce the 2015 scholarship program. This program has been established to encourage bison related studies and promote leadership among future bison industry professionals.

In November 2015, the Throlson American Bison Foundation will award scholarships totaling, but not limited to, \$5,000 to outstanding college junior, senior or graduate students studying fields related to the bison industry.

This year an additional scholarship will be awarded in the memory of Richard Zahringer to a student pursuing a degree in agriculture economics, ag-business, or accounting. Ideally this student will have future interest in livestock and specifically bison. This scholarship will be a minimum of \$1,000.

For more information contact:

Throlson American Bison Foundation  
8690 Wolff Ct. #200  
Westminster, CO 80031  
(303) 292-2833 Ph. (303) 845-9081 Fax  
[www.bisoncentral.com](http://www.bisoncentral.com) Email: [jim@bisoncentral.com](mailto:jim@bisoncentral.com)

***Application deadline is October 1, 2015 and scholarships will be announced no later than November 5, 2015.***

Sincerely,

Dave Carter  
Executive Director  
National Bison Association

# Throlson American Bison Foundation Scholarship Application

One purpose of the Throlson American Bison Foundation is to provide scholarship opportunities for students studying bison or fields related to the bison industry. In addition, the foundation supports bison research relating to production and human nutrition.

The foundation will award scholarships totaling, but not limited to, \$5,000. Each scholarship recipient will also receive a complimentary one-year junior membership to the National Bison Association.

## Qualifications

By the completion of the spring semester/quarter, applicants must:

1. Be an undergraduate with junior or senior standing (completed a minimum of 72 semester hours or 108 quarter hours); or a graduate student in recognized livestock studies, animal science, veterinary, agriculture, accounting, ag-econ, or human nutrition program in the United States or Canada;
2. Have at least one semester or two quarters remaining in their degree program;
3. Be enrolled as a full-time student for the fall or spring semester/quarter.

## Application Deadline

The application must be received no later than October 1, 2015. Complete the Scholarship Application Form (**only typed and completed applications will be accepted**), have your Department Head/Chairperson complete their designated section, enclose **one** letter of recommendation from faculty in your department, and mail to:

Throlson American Bison Foundation  
8690 Wolff Ct. #200  
Westminster, CO 80031

## Selection Process

Each application will be screened by the Throlson American Bison Board of Directors, which will make the final decision regarding the selection of recipients. The scholarship award recipients will be announced in early November, and the scholarships will be awarded in January.

# Throlson American Bison Foundation

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(ONLY TYPED AND COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED)

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ S.S. NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_  
last first m.i.

SCHOOL RESIDENCE ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ (day) \_\_\_\_\_ (eve)

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF UNIVERSITY ATTENDING: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATES ATTENDED: \_\_\_\_\_

EXPECTED DATE OF GRADUATION: \_\_\_\_\_

AREA OF STUDY OR MAJOR: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATES ATTENDED: \_\_\_\_\_

---

**GENERAL STATEMENT (30 POINTS)** In 100 words or less, explain how you may play a role in the growth of the bison industry in the next 15 years

**ORGANIZATIONS (10 POINTS):** In 200 words or less, list all community and professional organizations to which you belong and your involvement with them. Include length of membership, if applicable.

**EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE (10 POINTS):** In 100 words or less, list any livestock, veterinary, biological, zoological, human nutrition, agribusiness or agricultural work experience you have had to date, include length of employment.

**HOBBIES & LEISURE ACTIVITIES (5 POINTS):** In 100 words or less, list your hobbies and leisure activities.

**SHORT ESSAY (10 POINTS):** In 100 words or less, discuss your philosophy on bison in today's environment.

**CRITICAL ISSUES (10 POINTS):** In 100 words or less, identify what you believe to be the most critical issues affecting your field of study during the next 10 years.

**PERSONAL STATEMENT (25 POINTS):** In 400 words or less, write a statement directed to the Throlson American Bison Foundation Board of Directors providing information concerning your career goals and objectives (i.e. how you plan to use your education in the future).

**RELEASE AND CERTIFICATION:** I hereby give permission to use the information provided on this application for recognition purposes if selected. I also give permission to release information concerning my academic progress to donors of the scholarship I may receive. I understand that I must be registered as a full-time student next fall semester/quarter to be eligible to receive a Throlson American Bison Foundation scholarship. To the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this application is true and correct.

Student's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

---

***When you have completed all parts of the application form (including the essay), please give it to your Department Head or Chairperson to complete the following information. Your Department Head or Chairperson must then mail it directly to the Throlson American Bison Foundation. Be sure to enclose one letter of recommendation from departmental faculty, this is mandatory.***

***THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED FOR YOUR APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED.***

The applicant, \_\_\_\_\_, currently is a full-time student of **junior, senior or graduate** standing in the \_\_\_\_\_ curriculum in the department of \_\_\_\_\_.

His/her GPA to date is \_\_\_\_\_.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

University: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Please mail this application to: Throlson American Bison Foundation  
8690 Wolff Court, #200  
Westminster, CO 80031

***Annual application deadline is October 1, 2015***