**Centenary Award 2021**

***Making a real difference to the future of agriculture.***

**2021 Application Form (for courses starting autumn 2021)**

**Note:**

* Please read the ‘Application Guidelines’ document before completing this form.
* Please complete the form in **black font.**
* Please keep within the word count (where applicable)

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| **About You**  **Your full name:**  **Address:**  **Mobile:**    **Email:**  **Are you currently in education?**  *If yes, please detail your place of study, title of course, and course end date:*  *If no, please detail your occupation (job title, employer and location):* |

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| **Your degree**  *Applicants are required to have obtained (or be expecting to achieve) at least a* ***2:1 degree*** *in* ***agriculture****, or a related subject.*  **Please provide details about your degree:**  - Full title of your course:  - Place of study:  - Course end date:  - Grade of qualification achieved/expected to be achieved: |

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| **Other educational/career history:** *(Please detail other qualifications gained, scholarships/awards received, work experience placements, and any previous occupations you feel are relevant to your application.)* |

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| **Details about the postgraduate course you will be undertaking:**   * **Masters / PhD** (please select - course must be Masters or PhD level) * **Full title of course:** * **Place of study:** * **Course Tutor:** * **Duration of course (e.g. two years, part time):** * **Proposed start date:**   **Have you been accepted/provisionally accepted on this course?**  **Further details about your proposed postgraduate course**:  ***1. Briefly, what will you study in your course?*** *(an outline of your course, 100 words)*    ***2.Please explain the reasons behind your interest in this area of study*** *(150 words)*  ***3. In what ways do you feel that your area of study is important for the UK agricultural industry?*** *(150 words)* |

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| **Further details about your proposed postgraduate course**:  Please describe how your study course will include, as the main part, one or more of the NFU Mutual Charitable Trust’s three areas of interest: *(maximum 250 words)*   * Sustainable agriculture and climate change * International agricultural development * The application of science and innovative technology to the agricultural industry   **Details:** |

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| **Your course fee:**  The Centenary Award bursary, available to selected applicants, is up to 75% of the course fee for their proposed postgraduate course. This will be paid directly to the university upon confirmation that the awarded student has paid the first 25% of their course fee. (Please note that Centenary Award does not cover project costs or living expenses.)  **Please detail the full course fee (per annum) for your proposed postgraduate course:** |

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| **Are you seeking any other funding for your study course?**  ***Yes / No*** *(please select*  *If yes, please provide details (e.g. funding organisation and amount expected /confirmed)* |

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| ***Making a difference***  *We are looking to award individuals who demonstrate a desire to make a difference to UK agriculture and have a real passion for the industry.*  **In what ways do you think that you could you be a future leader within UK agriculture and make an impact within the industry?**  *(maximum 300 words)* |
| **Your future plans**  **Briefly describe your long- term career aspirations, and how your postgraduate course will help you to achieve your aims:** *(maximum 300 words)* |
| **Your practical agricultural experience:**  **What practical agricultural work have you undertaken?** (Please detail roles and level of responsibility) |
| **Your community participation:**  **In what ways do you help your local community?** (at home and /or at university) |
| **What other skills and interests do you have?** (e.g. public speaking, Young Farmers’ Clubs, leisure activities etc): |
| **Your availability for interview:**  Short-listed applicants will be requested to attend an interview during June 2021. It is expected that this will be held virtually, online.  **Will you be available to attend an interview if short-listed?** |
| **How did you hear about the NFU Mutual Charitable Trust Centenary Award?** |

**References:**

Please obtain two references to support your application for this application form.

- At least one of the two references should be from a current or previous tutor.

- References should describe why you are a good candidate to be selected for the Centenary Award, and how your study course would benefit both you and the UK agricultural industry.

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| **Reference 1**  **Name:**  **Position:**  **Contact e-mail:**  **Relationship to applicant:**  *Please detail below, in no more than 200 words, why this person is suitable to receive a Centenary Award bursary***.**  **Signed: Date:** |
| **Reference 2**  **Name:**  **Position:**  **Contact e-mail:**  **Relationship to applicant:**  *Please detail below, in no more than 200 words, why this person is suitable to receive a Centenary Award bursary***.**  **Signed: Date:** |

**Declaration by applicant:**

I have read the guidance notes which relate to this application form, and to the best of my knowledge this application form has been completed in truth.

**Signature: Date:**

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**Submission deadline:**

All applications for the 2021 Centenary Award must be received by midnight 30th April 2021.

**Submitting your application:**

Once completed, please e-mail your application formto: [centenary\_award@nfumutual.co.uk](mailto:centenary_award@nfumutual.co.uk)

(You will receive e-mail confirmation that your application has been received.)

**Queries:**

Please contact the NFU Mutual Charitable Trust**:** [centenary\_award@nfumutual.co.uk](mailto:centenary_award@nfumutual.co.uk)

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**Thank you, and good luck with your application.**