Gateway to Ag Careers

AgGateway, the agriculture industry’s eBusiness solutions organization, is offering an exciting opportunity for your students. As a non-profit organization that highly values eBusiness education, we will be selecting students to attend our annual conference - ‘Cultivating eBusiness for Global Success’ - in Phoenix, AZ on November 10th-13th, 2014. We are primarily interested in high achieving, mature students from Ag and/or IT departments who will benefit from the experience of meeting major eBusiness drivers in American Agriculture.

The annual AgGateway conference attracts IT and Business executives from throughout the agricultural industry across North America. AgGateway is a non-profit consortium of businesses serving the agriculture industry, which helps member companies improve their profitability and productivity by educating, promoting and expanding participation in eBusiness in agriculture and agriculture related businesses. To this end, the corporation focuses on enabling eBusiness implementation, and providing education and eBusiness project coordination in the agriculture industry.

AgGateway believes it is important to begin introducing the next generation of Business and Ag leaders to industry events prior to the completion of their academic careers. Because of this, in 2009 we initiated a program designed to give students an opportunity to participate in our annual conference and gain insights into ‘real world’ issues as well as continue to build interest in IT and Ag professions.

AgGateway will award grants to nominated students to attend the three (3) days of the 2014 Conference being held on November 10th - 13th at the Renaissance Phoenix Downtown Hotel in Phoenix, AZ. During the conference, students will be paired with a “host” AgGateway member with whom they will attend the various conference presentations and meetings. They will also have the opportunity to network with other AgGateway members. The students will be required to participate in a round-table style session with AgGateway members discussing the various opportunities for Ag and IT professionals within member organizations. This will be a prime opportunity for participating students to ask questions and gain valuable insights about our member organizations. (For a full list of our member companies visit www.aggateway.org)

The grant will provide each awarded student with roundtrip airfare, accommodations at the conference hotel, and conference registration fees. We ask you submit your nominations via email using the attached nomination form to Kristin Runde at krunde@agvance.net by September 12th, 2014. Award letters will be issued by September 19th. Students will need to verify acceptance of these awards.

For more information on the AgGateway 2014 Conference, visit our website at www.aggateway.org and click on the ‘Events’ tab.

We look forward to working with you and your nominated students.

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