

Application Form
IPPS-Western/New Zealand Regions
2020 Young Professional Exchange Fellowship

The IPPS Western/New Zealand Regions Young Professional Exchange Fellowship is a unique opportunity for a member of the IPPS-Western Region to travel to New Zealand as a guest of the IPPS-New Zealand Region. While in New Zealand, the recipient will have the opportunity to interact with plant producers and represent the Western Region at the New Zealand Region Annual Conference. Most importantly, the recipient will act as an ambassador of the Western Region in fostering professional interaction and good will between the two associations. The fellowship will cover travel, room, and board costs to New Zealand.

The exchange visit will begin with the IPPS-New Zealand Region Annual Conference. Following the conference, the recipient will be hosted by members of the New Zealand Region for a visit of (at least) 2 weeks.

To apply, please completely fill out the following application. If in doubt, provide more information rather than less information. The IPPS-Western Region Executive Committee will award the fellowship based primarily on the information provided here.

You may return your application by saving the file and sending it electronically to ippswr@bclna.com. You may also fax to (604) 575-3511, or mail to IPPS-Western Region, 19951 Fraser Highway, Langley, BC, Canada V3A 4E2.

Application deadline: January 31, 2020

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (land line) _____ (Cell phone) _____

E-mail address: _____

Are you currently an IPPS member? Yes No

Membership in IPPS-Western Region is required for fellowship eligibility. If you are not currently a member, you may join online at <http://wna.ipps.org/register>.

Please list a current IPPS member who can act as your sponsor and vouch for your qualifications to join the IPPS. Please ensure that your sponsor has been informed of your membership application.

Name of sponsor: _____

Exchange Fellowship Requirements:

1. Be studying in a plant production field or be less than five years into a career in a horticultural profession.
2. Be at least 18 years old.
3. Be undertaking or have completed some form of industry-relevant training.
4. Be willing to serve as an ambassador of the IPPS-Western Region.
5. Your employer or academic supervisor must approve of the time off work or school by signing the application.

Exchange Fellowship Preferences:

1. Previous academic training in horticulture or related field.

Fellowship conditions:

1. The start of your visit will coincide with the 2020 Annual Conference of the IPPS-New Zealand Region. The dates of the trip are April 16th - 19th, 2020 at the Ascot Park Hotel, Invercargill. You must be able to travel and participate during this entire period. You will need to record your visit in detail as preparation for a presentation at the 2020 IPPS-Western Region Annual Conference and for an article in the IPPS-Western Region newsletter.
2. You will be required to attend the next IPPS-Western Region Annual Conference, June 22-27, 2020, in Bellingham, Washington. At this meeting, you will make a presentation on your New Zealand experience. Registration and travel costs to this meeting are your responsibility.
3. You will be asked to share your knowledge, skills, and experience with your hosts. This may include a small presentation about yourself and your interests at the New Zealand IPPS Annual Conference.
4. You must remain a paid IPPS member for at least two years after your trip.

If you agree with the above conditions, please sign below.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Endorsement by employer or academic supervisor signifying that you have their approval to travel to New Zealand in April 2020.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

- How will this exchange fellowship assist you in your career?

- How will your visit to New Zealand benefit the IPPS New Zealand Region and the IPPS Western Region?

- If you are chosen, you will be representing the IPPS-Western Region as our ambassador. How will your personal qualities and values assist you in this role?

Please return your completed application to:

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