



**2009 Scholarships  
and  
Awards Information**



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## **2009 Deadlines**

October 8<sup>th</sup> – Award application deadlines for

- BASF Canada Best Poster Presentation Award
- Bayer CropScience Best Student Presentation Award
- CWSS-SCM Outstanding Industry Member Award
- CWSS-SCM Fellow
- CWSS-SCM Meritorious Service
- Dow AgroSciences Travel Awards
- Dow AgroSciences Canada Inc. Excellence in Weed Science Award
- DuPont Canada Best Photo Awards
- Monsanto Canada Scholarships in Weed Science
- Syngenta Travel Awards
- Viterro Excellence in Weed Extension Award



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## **Call for Applications for Scholarships and Nominations for Awards**

To be eligible for any of these scholarships and awards, the applicant/nominee must be a member of the CWSS-SCM unless otherwise stated.

All applications/nominations must reach the Chair of the Scholarships and Awards Committee by October 8.

The CWSS-SCM is currently awarding the following scholarships and awards:

For graduate students:

Monsanto Canada Scholarships in Weed Science  
Dow AgroSciences Travel Awards  
Syngenta Travel Awards

For weed professionals:

CWSS-SCM Fellow  
CWSS-SCM Outstanding Industry Member Award  
Dow AgroSciences Canada Inc. Excellence in Weed Science Award  
Viterro Excellence in Weed Extension Award  
CWSS-SCM Meritorious Service

For participants at the annual meeting and for members:

Bayer CropScience Best Student Presentation Award  
BASF Canada Best Poster Award  
DuPont Canada Best Photo Awards

All materials sent will be kept confidential.



## **Call for Applications for CWSS-SCM Graduate Student Awards**

### **MONSANTO CANADA SCHOLARSHIPS IN WEED SCIENCE**

Two scholarships will be awarded each year, one to a M.Sc. candidate and one to a Ph.D. candidate. The winners will receive a \$2000 scholarship plus travel and hotel expenses, registration fee, and other reasonable expenses for attending the CWSS-SCM annual meeting.

### **DOW AGROSCIENCES TRAVEL AWARDS**

Two awards will be presented each year, one to a M.Sc. candidate and one to a Ph.D. candidate. Each award consists of up to \$1000 to enable deserving graduate students to attend the CWSS-SCM annual meeting. Eligible expenses include registration fees, meals, accommodations and transportation.

### **SYNGENTA TRAVEL AWARDS**

Two awards will be presented each year, one to a M.Sc. candidate and one to a Ph.D. candidate. Each award consists of up to \$1000 to enable deserving graduate students to attend the CWSS-SCM annual meeting. Eligible expenses include registration fees, meals, accommodations and transportation.

Winners of the Monsanto Scholarships and the Dow AgroSciences and Syngenta Travel Awards will be required to give a 15 minute presentation on their research project during the Graduate Student Presentations session at the CWSS-SCM annual meeting.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

- To recognize academic and research excellence amongst weed science graduate students in Canada.
- To raise the profile of the CWSS-SCM at Canadian universities.
- To enhance the annual conference by encouraging graduate student participation.
- To encourage graduate student membership in the CWSS-SCM.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Any graduate student member of CWSS-SCM who has completed at least 12 months of graduate studies toward a M.Sc. or Ph.D. in weed science. The thesis project must be on weed management, biocontrol, herbicide chemistry, physiology, efficacy or environmental fate, application technology, weed biology or weed ecology.

**TENABLE:** At any university in Canada.

**CRITERIA:** Academic performance at the graduate and undergraduate levels and demonstrated aptitude and experience in conducting graduate level research. Publications, presentations, communication skills and related extension experiences will be considered.

**APPLICATION AND ENQUIRIES:** Interested students should apply in writing with the following supporting documentation:



1. Cover letter.
2. All university transcripts.
3. Curriculum vitae, which include education, work experience, extra-curricular activities, publications and other scholarships or awards received.
4. Research project outline (2 pages maximum) including an introduction, objectives, preliminary results, conclusions, and significance to weed science and agriculture.
5. Two letters of reference (one must be from the project supervisor) focused on leadership quality and ability to do research.

All applications will be considered for the Monsanto Scholarship, and the Dow AgroSciences and Syngenta Travel Awards.

**Submission of Scholarship Applications:**

Forward six (6) print copies of the completed application and letters of reference to

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[psikkema@ridgetownc.uoguelph.ca](mailto:psikkema@ridgetownc.uoguelph.ca)

Applications must be received by October 8.



## **Call for Nominations of CWSS-SCM Awards**

### **CWSS-SCM FELLOW**

**OBJECTIVE:** To honour members of CWSS-SCM who have made outstanding contributions to weed science and to the CWSS-SCM throughout their careers.

**NOMINATORS** must be active members of CWSS-SCM and may nominate only one candidate per year.

**ELIGIBILITY OF NOMINEES:** Nominees for Fellow must be active members of the CWSS-SCM at the time of their nomination and must have been active members for a total of at least 10 years. Normally, nominees will be in the later stages of their careers. Nominees must have made substantial contributions in more than one of the following areas:

1. Professional responsibilities and publications if applicable in such areas as research, education and/or extension.
2. Educational contributions other than publications.
3. Development or improvement of weed science programs, practices or products.
4. Service to CWSS-SCM.
5. Service to the profession outside of CWSS-SCM.
6. Other professional contributions.

### **NOMINATION**

**Preparation** - Obtaining the nominee's assistance in compiling information is encouraged and will improve the accuracy and completeness of the documentation. Clearly identifying and evaluating the nominee's contributions to weed science is the most important part of the nomination, because nominations are ranked on this basis. It is the nominator's responsibility to coordinate the nomination and to assure that it is complete and submitted before the deadline. The nomination packet must be complete before sending to the Chair of the Scholarships and Awards Committee.

**Format** - Organize the nomination as shown in the enclosed outline. Type the nomination, single-spaced on 8.5 x 11- inch format, in 12 point font.

**Supporting Letters** - The nominator is responsible for soliciting supporting letters from at least 3 but not more than 5 active CWSS-SCM or WSSA members. These letters should be sent to the nominator as a paper copy or in a .pdf format for inclusion in the nomination packet.

Deserving nominees are recommended to the Executive Committee for Fellowship status by the CWSS-SCM Scholarships and Awards Committee. The Executive Committee gives final approval to all Fellowship awards.



In the first two years following implementation of this award, up to four (4) Fellows may be named per year. In subsequent years no more than one active member of CWSS-SCM may be elected to Fellowship in any one year.

## FORMAT FOR CWSS-SCM FELLOW NOMINATION

Title. Entitle the document, Nomination of \_\_\_\_\_ for Election to Fellowship by the CWSS-SCM.

Nominee. Include name, date and place of birth, mailing address (with postal code), telephone and Fax numbers (with area code), and e-mail address (if available).

Nominator. Include your typewritten name and signature, mailing address (with postal code), telephone and Fax numbers (with area code), and e-mail address.

### Qualifications of Nominee

1. Degrees received. Give field, date, and institution for each degree.
2. Honours and Awards. Cite Fellow (or similar) recognition by other scientific societies, titles and awards of merit for exceptional contributions within a company or institution, and distinguished lectureships (invited). This item does not refer to meetings attended, junkets, etc.
3. Professional positions held in academia and/or industry. Give years, geographical location, company or institution and clearly state nature of his/her work and responsibility.
4. Where applicable, list refereed publications including books authored and chapters in books in order from earliest to most recent. Give complete title, date, publisher, number of pages.
5. List major technical publications.
6. Major Extension and non-technical publications. Cite major extension publications and major non-technical papers, written and indicate career numbers. (These should be publications that had a major impact on the understanding of weed science by user groups or by the general public). Indicate total number of publications.
7. Educational contributions. List multiple credit courses the candidate has taught in weed science or agriculture and other contributions to teaching such as graduate student supervision.
8. Extension contributions. Cite exceptional and outstanding programs developed to further weed science. Do not include normal program work; this award is for meritorious service.
9. Research contributions. Describe in your own words the specific, original ideas from this nominee's research which has been important to weed science. If the nominee has research responsibilities, for what original research contributions should he/she be honored?
10. List contributions the candidate has made to agriculture in other lands.
11. Professional contributions outside of weed science. List contributions in other scientific fields.
12. List elected offices or major posts held in CWSS-SCM.
13. List elected offices or major posts held in other national and international scientific and industry organizations.



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14. Provide a citation of no more than 1 typed (double-spaced, 12 point) suitable for use at the award presentation, assuming a successful nomination.

Evaluation. The Nominator should identify the contributions on which the nomination is based. Explain why the nominee is not only an outstanding professional in his or her organization or region but also a national or international leader with respect to contributions to weed science. Describe particular contributions or accomplishments which qualify the nominee for the award.

Visit the Canadian Weed Science Society website at [www.cwss-scm.ca](http://www.cwss-scm.ca) .



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## **CWSS-SCM OUTSTANDING INDUSTRY MEMBER**

**BACKGROUND:** Industry members comprise a significant part of the CWSS-SCM membership. Their contribution has been and will continue to be of great importance to the Society. Their interaction with members from the academic and public sectors is paramount to the well being of the weed science discipline.

**OBJECTIVE:** To recognize excellent leadership and contributions to weed management in Canada by CWSS-SCM members.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Members eligible for the award must be active within CWSS-SCM and be employed by private industry or be self-employed at the time of nomination. The nominee must be actively engaged in weed science activities and weed science should have been a major component the nominee's activity and responsibility during his/her career.

**NOMINATION:** The nominator will complete the nomination document and contact individuals to provide supporting letters. Three supporting letters are required (of which at least two should be from CWSS-SCM members). Supporting letters must be in 12 point font and no longer than two typewritten 8 ½ by 11 pages. The nominator is also responsible for a document, supporting the nominee, which should be limited to 1000 words. The nominator may obtain statistical information and biographical data from the nominee. The nominator is not required to be a member of CWSS-SCM. The nomination will stand for three years. The nominator is encouraged to update support material in the 2nd and 3rd year of nomination. The nomination package must include

Name and address of nominee.

Education.

Work experience.

Professional and scientific affiliations detailing membership, offices held and committee work with particular emphasis on contributions to CWSS-SCM.

Honours, awards and invited presentations.

Significant professional accomplishments, including: products developed, processes developed, patents, publications, books, bulletins, brochures, etc., internal reports

Letters of support (3, including 2 from CWSS-SCM members) and supporting document by nominator.

Coordinates of nominator.

Names of two individuals (managers, supervisors, etc.) whom the nominee would like to have informed if he/she is granted the award.



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**EXCELLENCE IN WEED SCIENCE AWARD**

**OBJECTIVE:** To recognize excellence among active scientists, educators, regulatory and extension personnel in the area of weed science in Canada. Their contributions must be judged to have had a major impact on weed science or the agricultural industry in Canada.

**SPONSOR:** DOW AGROSCIENCES CANADA INC.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individuals involved in any aspect of weed research, teaching, extension or regulation may be nominated. Nominees should have been active in weed science in Canada for a minimum of 10 years.

**CRITERIA:** Nominees will be evaluated on the basis of their contributions to Canadian agriculture as described in the nomination documents that should include

- Name of Nominee
- Address
- Present Position
- Employment Record
- Academic Credentials

- Contributions to Weed Science and/or Agriculture in
  - Research
  - Teaching
  - Extension
  - Leadership, Policy, Administration

Letters of support from three individuals qualified to evaluate the nominee's contributions. Additional pertinent information should be included in an Appendix.

**NOMINATION:** May be submitted by any member of the CWSS-SCM. The nomination will stand for 3 years. The nominators are encouraged to update material in support of their nominees in the 2nd and 3rd year of nomination.



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## **VITERRA EXCELLENCE IN WEED EXTENSION AWARD**

**OBJECTIVE:** To recognize excellence among active agronomists, scientists, educators, extension personnel or organizations (for example a diagnostic lab) in the area of weed extension or diagnostics. The recipient must clearly demonstrate the extension of weed science through awareness but more importantly adoption and implementation of weed research findings that have had a significant impact at the farm level in Canada.

**SPONSORED BY: VITERRA INC.**

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individuals or organizations (members or not of the CWSS) who are involved in any aspect of weed extension and/or diagnostics may be nominated. Nominees should have been active in the area of weed extension for a minimum of 5 years.

**CRITERIA:** Nominees will be evaluated on their activities in weed extension. The recipient of the award must have a proven ability to extend weed science research results or do diagnostics that have made a significant impact at the farm level in Canada.

Nomination documents should include the following:

- Name of Nominee
- Address
- Present Position
- Employment Record
- Academic Credentials
- Portfolio of weed extension activities that may include but are not limited to activities such as a) grower presentations, b) one-on-one consultations, c) printed extension articles, d) factsheets, e) diagnostic services and f) web-sites.
- Specific examples of the nominee's success in extending weed science research where it has made a significant impact at the farm level.
- Letters of support from at least three individuals who are qualified to assess the nominee's success in weed extension and diagnostics. This can include research scientists, practicing agronomists but **must include one recognized producer or producer organization who can speak to the impact the nominee has had at the farm level.**

**NOMINATION:** May be submitted by any member of the CWSS-SCM.

**Prize\*:** commemorative artwork/ sculpture  
Membership fee for one year  
Registration fee for the annual meeting  
Travel expenses to come to the annual meeting

\*maximum amount of \$ 2 000.



## **CWSS-SCM MERITORIOUS SERVICE**

**OBJECTIVE:** To recognize members of our society who have contributed long-standing service to the betterment of our Society.

**ELIGIBILITY:** All members of CWSS-SCM are eligible for nomination for this award and may include members retiring from the Society or members leaving for other professional opportunities. Nominees must have been active members for a total of at least 10 years. Note that supporting letters are not required for Meritorious Service Award nominees but may be included in the nomination package. There is no limit on the number of Meritorious Service Awards that can be made in any one year. Individuals should not be nominated for Fellowship and this award in the same year.

### **FORMAT FOR CWSS-SCM MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD NOMINATION**

Title. Entitle the document, Nomination of \_\_\_\_\_ for the CWSS-SCM Meritorious Service Award.

Nominee. Include name, date and place of birth, mailing address (with postal code), telephone and Fax numbers (with area code), and e-mail address (if available).

Nominator. Include your typewritten name and signature, mailing address (with postal code), telephone and Fax numbers (with area code), and e-mail address.

#### **Qualifications of Nominee.**

1. Degrees received. Give field, date, and institution for each degree.
2. Honours and Awards. Cite Fellow (or similar) recognition by other scientific societies, titles and awards of merit for exceptional contributions within a company or institution, and distinguished lectureships (invited). This item does not refer to meetings attended, junkets, etc.
3. Professional positions held in academia and/or industry. Give years, geographical location, company or institution and clearly state nature of his/her work and responsibility. List contributions the candidate has made to agriculture in other lands.
4. Professional contributions outside of weed science. List contributions in other scientific fields.
5. List elected offices or major posts held in CWSS-SCM.
6. List elected offices or major posts held in other national and international scientific and industry organizations.
7. Provide a citation of no more than 1 typed (double-spaced, 12 point) suitable for use at the award presentation, assuming a successful nomination.



Submission – The preferred method of submission for all materials for CWSS-SCM award nominations (Excellence in Weed Science, Outstanding Industry Member, Fellow and Meritorious Service) is electronic submission in a pdf format. However, if electronic submission is not practical, nominators should mail or courier six (6) complete paper copies of the nomination with their evaluation statement and any supporting letters. Staple each copy once in the upper left corner. Copies should be sent to the Chair, CWSS-SCM Scholarships and Awards Committee no later than October 8:

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Processing of Fellow and Meritorious Service Nominations - A complete set of all nomination packages for Fellow and for the Meritorious Service Award will be distributed by the Chair of the Scholarships and Awards Committee to each member of the Scholarships and Awards Committee. Each member evaluates and ranks the nominations and returns their ranking to the Chair. Based upon the rankings and further consultation with the committee, if required, the Chair forwards a recommendation to the CWSS-SCM President and Executive Committee for final approval. The successful nominees will be notified by the President of the Society in the month of November, prior to our annual meeting. The newly elected CWSS-SCM Fellows and those receiving Meritorious Service Awards will be honoured at the annual meeting.



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## **Other Awards for Participants at the Annual Meeting and for Members**

### **BEST STUDENT PRESENTATION AWARD**

This \$ 500 award is given in recognition of the best student oral presentation at the CWSS-SCM annual meeting. All CWSS-SCM student members giving an oral presentation will be automatically considered for this award. The winning presentation will be selected by a panel of judges appointed by the Local Arrangements Committee.

SPONSORED BY: BAYER CROPSCIENCE

### **BEST POSTER AWARD**

OBJECTIVE: To recognize excellence in research and the effective presentation of research results.

This award is to recognize the best poster presented at the CWSS-SCM annual meeting. All posters presented by members of the CWSS-SCM are automatically eligible for this award. The winning posters will be selected by a panel of judges chosen by the Local Arrangements Committee. The award consists of a \$500 cash prize and a plaque presented to the senior author.

SPONSORED BY: BASF CANADA, INC.

### **PHOTO CONTEST**

OBJECTIVE: To encourage CWSS-SCM members to hone their photographic skills and to make excellent weed and weed management images available for use by CWSS-SCM members and in CWSS-SCM publications.

The three best photos submitted in each of three categories will be recognized. The winning photos will be selected by a panel of judges selected by the Photo Contest Co-ordinator. For more information on submission of Photo Contest entries, see the Photo Contest section of the Annual Meeting notice on the CWSS-SCM-SCM webpage.

Prizes: 1st - \$100, 2nd - \$50, 3rd - \$25 in each of three categories.

SPONSORED BY: DUPONT CANADA INC.