David Miller Travel Bursary Award – Judging Criteria

Applicants should be in the second or final year of a higher education qualification (BSc, HND, Kew Diploma etc) or studying for an MSc or PhD. Applicants must be students registered for courses in the UK or the Republic of Ireland.

Applications can relate to any area of horticulture or plant science relevant to horticulture.

Applications consist of a maximum 500 word statement on the purpose to which the award will be put. (The award is intended to supplement, rather than wholly finance, a journey).

Criteria for judging applications

Presentation
The application should be;
- clearly written in English;
- easily understood by a horticulturist unfamiliar with the subject of the application;
- within the 500 word limit.

Background
Sufficient background should be provided to explain;
- an outline of the applicant’s work or project;
- the relevance of the applicant’s project to horticulture or horticultural crops – fruit, vegetables, flowers, trees and shrubs;

Travel / work / conference programme
An outline of the proposed travel, work or conference programme noting;
- how the programme applied for will enhance the project.
- any key visits or presentations being made
- what value the applicant intends to get from the travel programme.

Follow up
What does the applicant hope to bring back from their travel by way of knowledge and/or skill and;
- how will this help them and their work
- if appropriate how might it help their colleagues and the horticulture industry at large

Not required and will gain no marks
- Details of travel, accommodation and costs
- Details of other funds being used to support travel
- Details of applicant’s present supervisors and place of study or work – these will be deleted before the applicants 500 word summary is passed to the judges to minimise any risk of bias.