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AgIS Announces Recipients of "Women in Agribusiness Summit" Scholarships

Cornell and Texas A&M Students to Attend Minneapolis Event September 25-27

Boston, MA – Sept. 5, 2019: AgIS Capital announced today the recipients of two scholarships the firm will provide to students attending Cornell University and Texas A&M University to help defray the costs associated with their participation in the eighth annual "Women in Agribusiness Summit," which will take place in Minneapolis, Minnesota from September 25 to September 27.

The recipients of the awards, which will subsidize event fees and related accommodations, are Emma Cameron, a sophomore at Cornell University, and Katie Blakeley, a graduate student at Texas A&M University.

"We are very pleased that Emma and Katie will be participating in the summit with our support because they are accomplished and promising students and because we strongly believe in the mission of the program, which is to recruit and retain women to professions in agriculture and to help them advance their careers," said Jeff Conrad, president of AgIS Capital.

The summit is being run by HighQuest Partners of Danvers, Massachusetts, which has been specializing in agribusiness consulting and related event planning and management since 2000. This year's summit will attract hundreds of executive-level women who are passionate about agribusiness. The program's innovative and interactive format is designed to help participants network, develop important professional skills and learn about current industry trends and events (For more information on the summit: https://wia.highquestevents.com/ehome/index.php?eventid=363559&).

The AgIS Capital Student-Scholar Recipients

Emma Cameron, Cornell University B.S. Candidate

Emma is entering her second year at Cornell where she is double majoring in agriculture science and international agriculture, and rural development. After graduation, she plans to return to her native New Mexico to work in agriculture and to promote the western way of life by pursuing the title of Miss Rodeo America. She is currently pursuing research opportunities in both beef and viticulture production.



Katie Blakely, Texas A&M University M.S. Candidate

Katie recently graduated summa cum laude from Texas A&M University with a double major in poultry science and agricultural economics and a minor in agri-food sales. She is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Agribusiness at the university. During her undergraduate career, Katie interned in the meat merchandising department of Wal-Mart, working at its corporate headquarters in Bentonville, Arkansas. She also interned in the sales department of JBS-Pilgrim, which is based in Greeley, Colorado, and worked at Texas A&M's Poultry Research Center. She has held various student leadership positions within Texas A&M's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

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