



JFAO Travel Opportunities 2020 Application Form

International Cultural Exchanges

Location	Spots Available	Approx. Dates	Approx. Duration	Age
United Kingdom	1	Northern Ireland-May 12-26 Scotland June 10 th - July 21	6-13 weeks	20-26
Germany	1	End of May- August	Up to 2 months	20-29
Scotland	1	June 10 – July 21	Up to 6 weeks	20-29
Switzerland	2	June 21st or June 23rd arrival	6 weeks or 3 months	20-29
Austria	1	July 3rd – mid August	6 -12 weeks	20-26
Wales	2	July 17 th – July 31st	2 weeks	20-26
Republic of Ireland	1	July 31st - Aug. 21st	3 weeks	20-29

**all dates are approximate & will be confirmed shortly. Use dates as an estimate.*

Requirements:

All applicants must have been a JF member in good standing for at least one year. International applicants 20-29 (max. 26 for UK and Wales exchange) as of January 1st the year of the exchange. Following each exchange, a travel bursary is offered once all of the program requirements are completed. Please see the Travel section of the JFAO Policies for more specific requirements and bursary amounts. Opportunity conditions will be based on the policies in effect as of January 31st.

Note: A past exchangee may apply for a different travel opportunity. Priority will be given to any qualified member who has not previously been awarded a travel opportunity

Application to include:

1. Completed application form, (Section A, B & C), dated and signed by applicant and witnessed by club Provincial Director.
2. Answers to “section C” questions

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Deadline:

All requirements to be sent by 11:00pm **March 13th 2020** to sophia@jfao.ca

Section A

Name: _____ Club: _____

Street Address: _____ RR # _____

Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Ph.one: _____ E-mail: _____

Birth date: _____ # years as a JFAO member: _____

Languages Spoken: _____

Please indicate which exchanges you are applying for by **ranking** them in order of preference (#1 being first choice). It is strongly recommended you apply for at least two opportunities. *Please only rank destinations that you are willing to travel to.

Exchange Opportunity	Ranking
United Kingdom	
Scotland	
Republic of Ireland	
Germany	
Wales	
Austria	
Switzerland	



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Section B

I have read, understood, and agree to comply with the requirements of the exchange program as outlined in the Travel section of the JFAO Policy document (available online or from JFAO office).

I am aware and agree that JFAO assumes no liability for any participant's health or wellbeing before, during or after the exchange, and is not responsible for travel/medical/cancellation insurance or flight arrangements. Furthermore, I understand I am personally responsible for my safety and well-being in any activity I agree to participate in while on exchange. Should any extenuating circumstance prevent the exchange from occurring as planned, I understand JFAO and/or its affiliated organizations are not obligated to provide any compensation, that it may not be possible to post-pone or reschedule. I agree to confirm all dates with both JFAO and the host organization prior to booking any travel arrangements.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Provincial Director: _____ Date: _____

Section C

On a separate page, please provide the following information **TYPED, with a maximum of 3 pages**. Use paragraphs & point-form where appropriate.

1. Have you been on a JFAO exchange previously? If so where?
2. Why did you join JF & what makes you proud to be a JF member?
3. Why are you applying for this travel opportunity?
4. How do you feel an exchange will benefit you?
5. Involvement in JF at club/county and provincial levels.
6. Involvement in other youth organizations (i.e. boy scouts, 4-H)
7. Activities and responsibilities in your community.
8. Any other hobbies and interests.
9. Education (name of institution, degree/diploma obtained/studying for, etc.; special training or workshops that you have participated in.)
10. Awards/other special achievements.
11. How will others benefit from your travel opportunity? (club, community, etc.)
12. How can you educate the other country/province about Ontario and its agricultural sector and culture?
13. Any other information you think is relevant to the selection process.



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Section D

Approved applicants will be required to participate in an interview process the morning of Friday March 20 2020 (during March Escape) at the Peterborough Holiday Inn (150 George Street, Peterborough, Ontario, K9L 3G5). Further details will follow once your application is received. Contact us if you do not hear details by 5 days before this date.

During this interview you will be required to complete:

1. A 5 minute presentation covering your family/community, interests, club & JF life, etc.
2. An interview with the panel of judges.
3. A 1 minute impromptu speech on a provided topic or long answer questions.
4. A quiz about Junior Farmers, Ontario and Canada.

Thank you for applying to the 2020 JFAO Exchange!

Applicants are strongly encouraged to attend the JFAO Annual Banquet on Saturday March 21st at "March Escape," where exchange winners will be announced. Please be advised that successful candidates will be required to have a personal bio ready for the first week in April.

**Should you have any questions please feel free to contact
Sophia Diebold, Executive Director of Community and International Programs
sophia@jfao.on.ca or 519-212-0229.**