PRESTIGIOUS
AWARDS AND
FELLOWSHIPS

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OFFICE of ACADEMIC
ENHANCEMENT
Welcome to the Office of Academic Enhancement

The Office of Academic Enhancement was created by the Office of the Provost in an effort to provide all students with opportunities that will enhance their undergraduate studies and create unique experiences related to their academic and career goals. The office comprises the Honors Program, Prestigious Awards and Fellowships, Multicultural Student Affairs, Special Interest Housing, and Programs of Academic Excellence, such as the Ronald A. Hammond Scholarship Program and the Gates Millennium Scholars.
Dear Prospective Scholar,

The Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships promotes scholarship, ethical citizenship, and service to others while developing future leaders of our nation and world through student participation in nationally and internationally competitive award programs. Whether you hope to make your mark through scientific discovery, public service, or artistic vision, our office will help you match your individual qualifications to various opportunities, navigate the application process, and connect you to resources that will help you define and achieve your future goals.

The office provides undergraduate students with a range of services to optimize their candidacy for prestigious awards, fellowships, and scholarships. Our advisors meet with each potential applicant to review the application packet, personal statement, and other materials to ensure that each student is submitting the strongest, most complete impression of his or her candidacy.

Self-reflection and personal discovery are important aspects of the application process for prestigious awards. While no one can predict the outcome of a scholarship competition, I assure you that the application experience will help you make important strides along your career path. I encourage you to begin your search today. Please contact us at 305-284-3584 or via email at prestigiousawards@miami.edu to schedule your first advising appointment. We look forward to working with you throughout the application process.

Sincerely,

Kefryn Reese
Director of the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships
THINKING ABOUT APPLYING FOR A PRESTIGIOUS AWARD?

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The Application Process

The true value in applying for these highly competitive awards is not solely in the winning; it is also in the process of preparing your application and working with mentors. The entire experience results in self-exploration and personal discovery that will enhance your education, wherever your future studies and career interests may lead you.

PRACTICE AND PREPARATION

- Explore each award that interests you to become well acquainted with the criteria and how the award matches your own goals and aspirations. Thoroughly research the foundation funding the fellowship and any graduate schools affiliated with it.
- Schedule an appointment with a prestigious award advisor for personalized assistance in refining your application.
- Many awards are for graduate study. The spring semester of your junior year is the latest you should begin planning for the deadlines in the following academic year. Undergraduates are eligible to apply for many awards. Earning undergraduate awards (like the Barry M. Goldwater or the Udall) can sometimes be an indicator of future success with graduate fellowships (such as the Marshall or Rhodes).
- Scholarship applications require multiple letters of recommendation. Forge good relationships with professors, advisors, administrators, and employers.
- Give yourself enough time to request letters of recommendation and have personal statements, essays, and research proposals edited several times (if permitted) by your fellowships advisor, Writing Center tutor, and multiple faculty mentors.

READY TO SUBMIT

- Candidates for scholarships requiring institutional endorsement must first submit all of the materials requested for the scholarship application to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships.
  Please note: Our campus deadlines for you to receive institutional endorsement are significantly earlier than the deadlines posted by the scholarship programs. Please check our website for specific campus application instructions.
- Candidates for scholarships that do not require institutional endorsement are strongly encouraged to submit their application materials to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships at least three weeks before each foundation’s deadline date to ensure adequate time is available to provide feedback on your application. A fellowships advisor can help you prepare the best, most complete impression of your skills, interests, experiences, and goals.
- A campus committee will review all materials and, for some awards, conduct an interview. Many foundations limit the number of nominees each university can submit; therefore, the number of UM-endorsed applicants will be confirmed through a faculty committee.
Beyond Academics

Most selection committees look for students who bring a wealth of experiences from both inside and outside the classroom. Throughout your college career, don’t limit yourself to a total immersion in strictly academic endeavors. As early as your freshman year, participate in activities that will enhance your future scholarship application.

Obtain an internship or research experience
- Toppel Career Center: www.miami.edu/toppel
- The Office of Undergraduate Research: www.miami.edu/ugr
- Speak with faculty and academic advisors and inquire about opportunities to become a research intern or teaching assistant

Study abroad, either during the summer or during an academic semester
- Study Abroad Programs: www.miami.edu/studyabroad

Engage with the community
- William R. Butler Center for Volunteer Service and Leadership Development: www.miami.edu/leadandserve
- The Office of Civic and Community Engagement: www.miami.edu/civic

BEYOND

Boren Awards Program+#
All majors
- Scholarships for study in foreign countries and world regions critical to U.S. national security
- U.S./Abroad
- U/G
- U/G
- January 18, 2016

Critical Language Scholarship Program+
All majors
- To dramatically expand the number of Americans mastering critical-need foreign languages
- Abroad
- U/G
- U/G
- November 2015

DAAD (German Academic Exchange Program)*
All majors
- Scholarships for study, research, and internships in Germany
- Abroad
- U/G
- U/G
- November 2015 – January 2016 (varies by program)

Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund*
All majors
- Need-based scholarships for students active in movements for social and economic justice
- U.S.
- U/G
- U/G
- April 1, 2016

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Junior Fellow Program*#
All majors
- To advance cooperation between nations and promote active international engagement by the U.S.
- U.S./Abroad
- U/G
- U/G
- November 9, 2015

Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Program+
All majors
- To promote diversity and excellence in U.S. Foreign Service
- U.S.
- U
- U/G
- January/February 2016 (varies by program)

Beinecke Scholarship+#
All majors
- To encourage study in the arts, humanities, and social sciences
- Abroad
- U
- U
- October 2015, and March 2016

Boren Awards Program+
All majors
- Scholarships for study in foreign countries and world regions critical to U.S. national security
- U.S./Abroad
- U/G
- U/G
- January 18, 2016

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<td>Echoing Green Fellowship Program*</td>
<td>Scholarship for emerging social entrepreneurs to learn new organizations that deliver bold, high-impact solutions</td>
<td>All majors</td>
<td>U.S.</td>
<td>U/G</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Early January 2016</td>
<td>James Madison Memorial Fellowship*</td>
<td>Provides support for graduate study that focuses on the study of American history</td>
<td>All majors, but must plan to become a teacher of American history, American government, or social studies</td>
<td>U.S.</td>
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<td>March 1, 2016</td>
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<td>Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics Essay Contest*</td>
<td>Designed to challenge college students to analyze urgent ethical issues</td>
<td>All majors</td>
<td>U.S.</td>
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<td>Early December 2015</td>
<td>Marshall Scholarship*</td>
<td>For study at universities in the United Kingdom</td>
<td>All majors</td>
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<td>Ernest F. Hollings Scholarship*</td>
<td>Supports undergraduate students training in NOAA mission sciences and teacher education</td>
<td>Disciplines related to oceanic and atmospheric science, research, technology, or education</td>
<td>U.S.</td>
<td>U</td>
<td>U</td>
<td>January 2016</td>
<td>National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship*</td>
<td>To increase the number of U.S. citizens and nationals trained in science and engineering disciplines of military importance</td>
<td>Science and engineering</td>
<td>U.S.</td>
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<td>December</td>
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<td>Ford Foundation Diversity Fellowship*</td>
<td>For graduate study leading to Ph.D. or Sc.D. at a U.S. educational institution</td>
<td>All majors</td>
<td>U.S.</td>
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<td>November 2015</td>
<td>National Institutes of Health-Oxford-Cambridge Scholars Program*</td>
<td>Provides an accelerated, individualized doctoral training program for students committed to biomedical research</td>
<td>Courses necessary for acceptance into biomedical doctoral program</td>
<td>U.S./Abroad</td>
<td>U</td>
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<td>December 1, 2015</td>
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<td>Fulbright U.S. Student Program*</td>
<td>To promote “mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries of the world”</td>
<td>All majors</td>
<td>Abroad</td>
<td>U/G</td>
<td>G/R</td>
<td>August 17, 2015</td>
<td>National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program*</td>
<td>Supports innovative research and pioneering scientific solutions by funding creative, diverse, passionate researchers</td>
<td>Social and physical sciences, technology, engineering, and math</td>
<td>U.S.</td>
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<td>Early November 2015</td>
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<td>Gates Cambridge Scholarship*</td>
<td>Enables outstanding students from outside the United Kingdom to study at the University of Cambridge</td>
<td>All majors</td>
<td>Abroad</td>
<td>U/G</td>
<td>G</td>
<td>Mid-October 2015</td>
<td>Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans*</td>
<td>To provide opportunities for continuing generations of able and accomplished new Americans to achieve leadership in their chosen fields</td>
<td>All majors</td>
<td>U.S.</td>
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<td>Early November 2015</td>
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<td>George J. Mitchell Scholarship*</td>
<td>To introduce and connect generations of future American leaders to the island of Ireland</td>
<td>All majors</td>
<td>Abroad</td>
<td>U/G</td>
<td>G</td>
<td>August 10, 2015</td>
<td>Rhodes Scholarship*</td>
<td>To bring outstanding students from many countries around the world to the University of Oxford</td>
<td>All majors</td>
<td>Abroad</td>
<td>U/G</td>
<td>G</td>
<td>May 1, 2015/ August 10, 2015</td>
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<td>German Chancellor Fellowship</td>
<td>Scholarship for professional development, study, or research in Germany</td>
<td>For all disciplines, but especially the humanities, law, social sciences, and economics</td>
<td>Abroad</td>
<td>U/G</td>
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<td>September 15, 2015</td>
<td>Schwarzenberg Scholars*</td>
<td>To give the world’s best and brightest students the opportunity to develop their leadership skills through a one-year Master’s Degree at Tongji University in Beijing</td>
<td>All majors</td>
<td>Abroad</td>
<td>U/G</td>
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<td>September 1, 2015</td>
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<td>Harry S. Truman Scholarship*</td>
<td>To support college juniors with exceptional leadership potential who are committed to making a difference through public service</td>
<td>All majors</td>
<td>U.S./Abroad</td>
<td>U</td>
<td>G</td>
<td>November 9, 2015</td>
<td>Science, Mathematics, and Research for Transformation Scholarship for Service*</td>
<td>To increase the number of civilian scientists and engineers working at the Department of Defense laboratories</td>
<td>Science, technology, engineering, and mathematics</td>
<td>U.S.</td>
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<td>Humanity in Action Fellowship Program*</td>
<td>Gives American and European students the opportunity to interact with human rights leaders of today</td>
<td>All majors</td>
<td>Abroad</td>
<td>U/G</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>January 2016</td>
<td>Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship*</td>
<td>To attract outstanding students as they prepare academically and professionally to enter the U.S. Department of State Foreign Service</td>
<td>Public policy, international studies, public administration, business, economics, political science, sociology, foreign languages</td>
<td>U.S.</td>
<td>U/G</td>
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U = Undergraduate  
G = Graduate  
R = Research  
* Can be a citizen of any nationality to be eligible for application.  
* Must be a U.S. citizen, legal resident, or U.S. national to be eligible for application.  
# Students must complete their application by this deadline in order to receive institutional endorsement.  
Udall Scholarship* | To educate a new generation of Americans to preserve their heritage through programs focused on the environment and Native communities | For sophomores and juniors in fields related to the environment, and for American Indian and Alaska natives in fields related to health care or tribal policy | U.S. | U | G | January 29, 2016 |

More award opportunities at www.miami.edu/awards
American-Scandinavian Foundation Awards

www.amscan.org

The American-Scandinavian Foundation’s (ASF) award programs for study and research abroad has been the foundation’s most long-standing commitment to educational exchange. The ASF offers fellowships (up to $25,000) and grants (normally $5,000) to individuals in all fields to pursue research, study, or creative arts projects in one or more Scandinavian countries for up to one year.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Must have a well-defined research, study, or creative arts project that makes a stay in Scandinavia essential.
- U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
- Must have completed undergraduate education by the start of the project in Scandinavia.
- The ASF considers it desirable that all candidates have at least some ability in the language of the host country, even if it is not essential for the execution of the research plan. For projects that require a command of one or more Scandinavian (or other) languages, candidates should defer application until they have the necessary proficiency.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

May 2015
Application available online.

November 1, 2015
Completed application and required documentation must be submitted to the ASF.

April 15, 2016
Decisions announced.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The American-Scandinavian Foundation is the leading cultural and educational link between the U.S. and Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. An American nonprofit organization, the ASF works to build international understanding with an extensive program of fellowships, grants, intern/trainee sponsorship, publishing, and membership offerings.

During the past 100 years, more than 4,000 fellowships and grants have been given to Americans and Scandinavians engaged in study or research projects. The number of awards varies each year based on total funds available. Awards are made in all fields.

The ASF requires confirmation of invitation or affiliation from the institution or individuals detailed in the proposal. Because July and August are traditionally holiday months in Scandinavia, many people may not be available for consultation.

Projects should not begin before April 15, 2016. Grants are considered especially suitable for postgraduate scholars, professionals, and candidates in the arts to carry out research or study visits of one-month to three-months duration. Fellowships are intended to support a year-long stay. Priority is given to candidates at the graduate level for dissertation-related study or research.

Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship

www.act.org/goldwater

The Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program was established by Congress in 1986 to honor Senator Barry M. Goldwater, who served his country for 36 years as a soldier and statesman, including 30 years of service in the U.S. Senate. The purpose of the foundation is to provide a continuing source of highly qualified scientists, mathematicians, and engineers by awarding scholarships to college students who intend to pursue careers in these fields.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or, in the case of nominees from American Samoa or the Commonwealth of the Mariana Islands, a United States national. Nominations from permanent residents must include a letter of the nominee’s intent to obtain U.S. citizenship and a photocopy of the Permanent Resident Card (formerly known as the Alien Registration Card).
- Full-time matriculated sophomore or junior pursuing a degree at an accredited institution during the 2015–2016 academic year. “Sophomore” is defined as a student who plans two more years of full-time undergraduate study beginning no later than September 2016. Sophomore nominees can expect to receive a maximum of one year of support.
- College GPA of at least B (or the equivalent) and be in the upper fourth of class standings.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

September 2015
Application available online.

November 6, 2015
All application materials must be submitted to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships for review and possible endorsement.

Late January 2016
Deadline for online submission of nominee applications.

Late March 2016
Nominees and faculty representatives are notified of applicant status.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The purpose of the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation is to alleviate a critical current and future shortage of highly qualified scientists, mathematicians, and engineers. The foundation will award up to 300 undergraduate scholarships to outstanding students, to be known as Barry M. Goldwater Scholars.

Students who plan to study medicine are eligible for a Goldwater Scholarship if they plan a research career rather than a career as a medical doctor in a private practice. Applicants should have a strong commitment to research and be able to articulate specific research questions to which they intend to devote their professional life.

Each scholarship covers eligible expenses for undergraduate tuition, fees, books, and room and board, up to a maximum of $7,500 annually. Scholarship monies not used during one academic year are not transferable to the succeeding academic year.
The Beinecke Scholarship Program was established in 1971 to honor Edwin, Frederick, and Walter Beinecke, three brothers from New York City who in the 1920s guided the Sperry and Hutchinson Company from a small enterprise to a multi-million dollar company with a legacy of supporting charitable and educational institutions. The program seeks to encourage and enable highly motivated students to pursue opportunities available to them and to be courageous in the selection of a graduate course of study in the arts, humanities, and social sciences.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
- U.S. citizen or national.
- College junior pursuing a bachelor’s degree. “Junior” means a student who plans to continue full-time undergraduate study and who expects to receive a baccalaureate degree between December 2016 and August 2017.
- Plan to enter a master’s or doctoral program in the arts, humanities, or social sciences (students planning to pursue graduate study in neuroscience are not eligible).
- Recipient of need-based financial aid during undergraduate years.

APPLICATION TIMELINE
- August 2015: Application materials are sent to nominating institutions.
- February 1, 2016: All application materials must be submitted to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships for review and possible endorsement.
- Late February 2016: Nominee materials are sent by UM administrative officer to Beinecke Scholarship program coordinators for review.
- Early May 2016: Scholars announced.

Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship

Named after retired Congressman Benjamin A. Gilman, of New York, the Gilman International Scholarship Program aims to support students who traditionally have been underrepresented in study abroad, including but not limited to: students with high financial need, students in underrepresented fields, such as the sciences and engineering, students with diverse ethnic backgrounds, and students with disabilities.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
- U.S. citizen.
- Must be applying to or have been accepted into a study abroad program eligible for credit by your institution.
- Must be receiving a Federal Pell Grant at the time of application or during study abroad term.
- Study abroad for at least four consecutive weeks (equivalent to 28 days) in any country except Cuba or a country on the U.S. State Department’s current Travel Warning List.

GENERAL INFORMATION
International experience is critically important for preparing U.S. students to assume significant roles in an increasingly global economy and interdependent world. The Gilman International Scholarship Program broadens the student population that studies abroad by supporting undergraduates who might otherwise participate due to financial constraints. The program encourages students to choose nontraditional study abroad destinations, especially those outside of Western Europe, Australia, and New Zealand. Approximately 2,300 scholarships of up to $5,000 are awarded each academic year for U.S. citizen undergraduates to study abroad. Award amounts vary depending on the length of study and student need with the average award approximately $4,000. Recipients must use the award to defray eligible study-abroad costs, including program tuition, room and board, books, local transportation, insurance, and international airfare.

Students who apply for and receive the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship to study abroad are then eligible to receive a Critical Need Language Award from the Gilman Scholarship Program of $8,000. Critical Need Languages include: Arabic, Chinese, Bahasa Indonesian, Japanese, Turkic, Persian, Indic, Korean, Russian and Swahili.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
It is highly recommended that students wishing to apply for this award contact a study abroad advisor in the Study Abroad office at 305-284-3434 or studyabroad@umiami.edu before beginning the application process.

APPLICATION TIMELINE
- Early October 2015: Completed application and required documentation for study abroad in spring or summer 2016 must be submitted to the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Foundation.
- Early March 2016: Completed application and required documentation for study abroad in summer 2016 and fall/academic year 2016/2017 must be submitted to the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Foundation.

Summer term applicants may apply for either or both application cycles.
**Boren Awards Program**

Boren Scholarships (undergraduate) and Fellowships (graduate) provide unique funding opportunities for U.S. undergraduate and graduate students to add an international and language component to their education. Boren Awards provide the resources to acquire skills and experiences in areas of the world critical to the future security of our nation.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- U.S. citizen at the time of application.
- Applying to a study abroad program that meets home institution standards in a country outside of Western Europe, Canada, Australia, or New Zealand.
- Matriculated in an undergraduate or graduate degree program in a U.S. postsecondary institution accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Undergraduate students majoring in science, technology, engineering, and math are eligible for summer-only programs.

**APPLICATION TIMELINE**

**January 18, 2016**

Boren Scholarship (undergraduate) application materials must be submitted to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships for campus committee review.

**Late January 2016**

Boren Fellowship (graduate) application materials must be received by the foundation.

**Early February 2016**

Completed Boren Scholarship (undergraduate) applications must be received by the foundation along with Campus Reviewers form.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

The David L. Boren National Security Education Program focuses on geographic areas, languages, and fields of study deemed critical to U.S. national security. It recognizes that the scope of national security has expanded to include not only the traditional concerns of protecting and promoting American well-being, but also the challenges of global society, including: sustainable development, environmental degradation, global disease and hunger, population growth and migration, and economic competitiveness. All applicants must demonstrate how their study programs and future goals are connected to this broad understanding of national security.

Boren Scholarships (for undergraduate students) promote long-term linguistic and cultural immersion; therefore study abroad proposals for two or more semesters are strongly encouraged. If full-year opportunities in the same program are unavailable, students may submit two separate but related applications for study in two different programs. Summer-only programs are limited to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics students. Applications for summer-only programs will be considered if the program is eight weeks or more.

Geographic areas emphasized by Boren include Africa; East Asia and the Pacific; Eastern and Central Europe; the Near East; South Asia; and Latin America and the Caribbean. The scholarship may not be used for study in Western Europe, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand.

The maximum Boren Scholarship award is $8,000 for the summer, $10,000 per semester, and $20,000 for the academic year. Boren Fellowship amounts are higher; check the Boren website for details. In exchange for scholarship funding, all Boren Scholars are required to work for the federal government for one year, beginning within three years of graduation, in an area that employs their skill set and is related to national security.

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

While graduate students applying for the Boren Fellowship are not required to submit applications to be formally reviewed by the UM campus representative, they are encouraged to make an appointment with the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships for guidance and feedback.

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**Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Junior Fellowship Program**

Each year the Carnegie Endowment offers 10 to 12 one-year fellowships to uniquely qualified graduating seniors and individuals who have graduated during the past academic year. Carnegie Junior Fellows work as research assistants to the endowment’s senior associates. Junior Fellows have the opportunity to conduct research for books, co-author journal articles and policy papers, participate in meetings with high-level officials, contribute to congressional testimony, and organize briefings attended by scholars, activists, journalists, and government officials.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Applicants need not be a U.S. citizen if they attend a university located in the United States. However, all applicants must be eligible to work in the United States for a full 12 months from August 1 through July 31 following graduation. Students on F-1 visas who are eligible to work in the U.S. for the full year (August 1 through July 31) may apply for the program.
- Applicants must be graduating seniors or students who have graduated during the last academic year. No one who has started graduate studies is eligible for consideration.
- The Carnegie Endowment accepts applications only through participating universities via designated nominating officials.

**APPLICATION TIMELINE**

**Early October 2015**

Application materials sent to participating universities.

**November 9, 2015**

All application materials must be submitted to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships for review and possible endorsement.

**January 15, 2016**

Application and supporting documentation mailed by UM faculty representative must be received by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

**February-March 2016**

Nominees not selected for an interview are notified.

**March 31, 2016**

Recipients announced.

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing cooperation between nations and promoting active international engagement by the United States. Founded in 1910, its work is nonpartisan and dedicated to achieving practical results. Applications for the Junior Fellowship Program are judged on the quality of the written essay, related academic study or work experience, grades, recommendations, and personal interviews. Carnegie Junior Fellows work full time for one year and are paid a gross salary of $37,000 per year. A full benefits package also is provided.

Carnegie Junior Fellows have the opportunity to work with leading experts in international affairs in one of the following program areas: Democracy, Energy and Climate, Middle East, Russia and Eurasia, Asia, South Asian Studies, and Nuclear Policy.
The Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Program was established in 2000 to honor Congressman Rangel for his longstanding and vocal support for showing the world that diversity is the strength of America, as well as his example of global leadership. The goals of the program, which includes Summer Enrichment Scholarships and Graduate Fellowships, are to promote greater diversity and excellence in the U.S. Foreign Service.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
- U.S. citizen.
- Cumulative grade point average of at least 3.2 on a 4.0 scale at the time of application.
- For Summer Enrichment Scholarships: Applicants must be full-time undergraduate students; at least sophomore by credit hours.
- For Graduate Fellowships: Applicants must be seeking admission to enter graduate school in fall 2016 for a two-year program at a U.S. university.

APPLICATION TIMELINE
Late October 2015
Applications available online.
Mid-January 2016
Completed application must be submitted electronically for Fellowship Program.
Early February 2016
Completed application must be submitted electronically for Summer Enrichment Program.
Mid-March 2016
Finalist interviews for Fellowship candidates are held in Washington, D.C.
Late March 2016
2016 Rangel Fellows and Summer Scholars announced.

GENERAL INFORMATION
Rangel International Affairs Summer Enrichment Program for Undergraduates
The Rangel Summer Enrichment Program is a six-week program designed to provide undergraduate students with a deeper appreciation of current issues and trends in international affairs, a greater understanding of career opportunities in international affairs, and the enhanced knowledge and skills to pursue such careers. The program covers the cost of tuition, room and board, and air or train travel from home/school as well as a $3,200 stipend (budget permitting). The program will take place from mid-June through July 2016.

Rangel Graduate Fellowship Program
The Rangel Graduate Fellowship program aims to attract and prepare outstanding young people for careers in the Foreign Service in which they can help formulate, represent, and implement U.S. foreign policy. Each year, the Rangel Program selects 20 outstanding Rangel Fellows in a highly competitive nationwide process and helps them through two years of graduate study, internships on Capitol Hill and in U.S. embassies overseas, other professional development activities, and entry into the Foreign Service. This program encourages applications from members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service and those with financial need. Fellows who successfully complete the program and Foreign Service entry requirements for medical, security, and suitability clearances will receive appointments as U.S. Foreign Service officers.

The Rangel Fellowships provide $35,000 annually towards tuition, room and board, books, and mandatory fees for completion of two-year master’s degrees. At the conclusion of two years of study, the Rangel Fellow is expected to have obtained a degree in international affairs or another area of relevance to the work of the Foreign Service (such as public administration, public policy, business administration, foreign languages, economics, political science, or communications) at a graduate school approved by the Rangel Program. A candidate’s community, academic, extracurricular, and leadership activities will be considered during the selection process.

Critical Language Scholarship Program
Critical Language Scholarships (CLS) for Intensive Summer Institutes is a program of the United States Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, and is administered by the Council of American Overseas Research Centers and the American Councils for International Education. The CLS Program offers intensive summer institutes overseas to study the languages of Arabic, Azerbaijani, Bangla/ Bengali, Chinese, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Persian, Punjabi, Russian, Turkish, and Urdu.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
- U.S. citizen.
- Completed at least one year (two semesters) of undergraduate college coursework by program start date.
- Currently enrolled in a U.S. degree-granting program at the undergraduate or graduate level.
- See program details on website for more information on language prerequisites for individual institutes.
- 18 years of age or older.
- Be in acceptable mental and physical health.

APPLICATION TIMELINE
November 2015
Completed application and required documentation must be submitted to the CLS.
Mid-February 2016
Final selection announced.

GENERAL INFORMATION
Founded in 1981, the Council of American Overseas Research Centers is a private, not-for-profit federation of independent overseas research centers that promote advanced research, particularly in the humanities and social sciences, with focus on the conservation and recording of cultural heritage and the understanding and interpretation of modern societies. The centers are the primary vehicle through which American scholars carry out research vital to our understanding of and interaction with other cultures.

The CLS Program provides fully funded, group-based intensive language instruction and structured cultural enrichment experiences for seven to ten weeks for U.S. citizen undergraduates, master’s students, and Ph.D. students.

Students of diverse disciplines and majors are encouraged to apply. Former CLS participants have applied with various academic backgrounds, including business, engineering, law, science, medicine, social sciences, and humanities. The CLS Program does not have any government service requirement upon completion; however, it is expected that participants will continue their language study beyond the scholarship period and later apply their critical language skills in their future academic and professional careers.
Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst (DAAD), the German Academic Exchange Program, is a publicly funded independent organization of higher education institutions in Germany. It was founded in 1923 by the German student Carl Joachim Friedrich, who was able to obtain 13 fellowships in the social sciences from the Institute of International Education for Germans to study in the United States. The DAAD, which was founded after World War II, currently awards more than 65,000 fellowships per year. Based in Bonn, with 14 international offices, the DAAD is the largest grantor of international academic mobility support in the world.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDY SCHOLARSHIPS

- Citizen or permanent resident of the U.S. or Canada. Foreign nationals must have studied at an accredited U.S. or Canadian university for at least two years and must contact DAAD for eligibility status.
- All academic fields are welcome. For study in the fields of dentistry, medicine, pharmacy, or veterinary medicine, contact DAAD for special guidelines.
- Graduating seniors must be enrolled full time at the time of application. Recent graduates should have received their bachelor's degrees no more than six years prior to the application deadline.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

Completed application and required documentation must be submitted to the New York DAAD Office by the following:

November 15, 2015
Application deadline for all Study Scholarships.

January 31, 2016
Application deadline for RISE.

GENERAL INFORMATION

DAAD furthers the international aspects of German academic, cultural, and science policies and supports the international relations of German universities through:

Study Scholarships for Fine Arts, Architecture, Music, and Dance, which aim to provide students in the fields of fine art, design, film, music, choreography, and architecture an opportunity to complete a course of additional studies without earning a formal degree at a German university or institution. Applicants should have a good command of German.

Study Scholarships, which provide applicants in all disciplines the opportunity for a year of independent study to complete postgraduate degree or master's degree courses and obtain a degree at a German university. Preference is given to applicants who have been invited by a faculty member at a German university to study at a particular university department.

Research Internships in Science and Engineering (RISE), which give students in the fields of biology, chemistry, earth sciences, engineering, and physics the chance to spend a summer working with research groups at universities and top research institutions across Germany. Must be a current full-time student who has completed at least two years of a degree program in a major indicated above. No previous knowledge of the German language is required. For additional information visit: www.daad.de/ri.

Details on other scholarship opportunities in Germany are available on the DAAD website.

The Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund aids people active in movements for social and economic justice. These scholarships are awarded to graduate and undergraduate students who are active in the struggle against racism, sexism, homophobia, and other forms of oppression, building the movement for economic justice or creating peace through international anti-imperialist solidarity.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- U.S. citizens as well as international students are encouraged to apply.
- Undergraduate or graduate student enrolled at a college or university at the time of application.
- Must have participated in activities related to social justice in the United States. There is a strong preference for applicants who plan on working for positive social and economic change in the U.S.
- Open to all majors and academic disciplines.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

January 2016
Application available online.

April 1, 2016
Completed application and required documentation must be submitted to the Davis-Putter Foundation.

Late July 2016
Applicants informed of decision.

Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund

The Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund was founded in 1961 as the Marian Davis Scholarship Fund, a memorial to a teacher and political activist who died of breast cancer in 1960. Marian and her husband, Horace, were advocates for racial justice and the rights of labor. One of the people attracted to the fund was Norton S. Putter, who gave generously of his time and resources. Putter was born in Poland, which his family left to escape poverty and the attacks of anti-Semites. He spent his life in the United States working for justice, particularly in the civil rights movement.

These need-based scholarships are awarded to those able to do academic work at the university level and who are committed to activism in diverse communities, organizations, and fields. Early recipients worked for civil rights, against McCarthyism, and for peace in Vietnam. Since 1961, the fund has awarded well over 1,200 scholarships to students who represent the spirit and commitment the Davies and Norton Putter brought to the movement for peace and justice.

Details on other scholarship opportunities in Germany are available on the DAAD website.
Echoing Green Fellowship Program

www.echoinggreen.org

To accelerate social change, Echoing Green invests in and supports outstanding emerging social entrepreneurs to launch new organizations that deliver bold, high-impact solutions. Through a two-year fellowship program, Echoing Green helps a network of visionaries work to solve deeply rooted social, environmental, economic, and political inequities to ensure equal access and to help all individuals reach their potential.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
- 18 years of age or older.
- Sufficient English fluency to participate in interviews and Echoing Green events.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

Early January 2016
Phase I application deadline. Initial applications are accepted online only at www.echoinggreen.org. Partners must submit a joint application for their project.

Mid-February 2016
Semifinalists announced and invited to complete expanded application.

Early March 2016
Expanded applications due.

GENERAL INFORMATION
This is not an academic scholarship program. Echoing Green Fellows work in the community to launch, manage, and grow organizations that implement and continually expand their ideas for creating lasting social change. The goal of this fellowship is to create a dynamic organization by identifying and supporting talented yet unproven social entrepreneurs.

Applicants must present compelling and original ideas for addressing and resolving the root cause of a tough social challenge. Applicants may be an individual or a partnership of two individuals. Organizations must be independent and autonomous and must not be started under the direction of an existing organization. The applicant must be the primary decision maker for the organization's development and management. Generally, organizations with fiscal sponsors are still considered autonomous.

Organizations must be in a start-up phase. To be considered a start-up, the applicant may have been in operation for up to two years, and Echoing Green's financial support should qualify it as a major/primary early funder. Applicants who have worked on their organization on a part-time basis only or have yet to start an organization are generally eligible.

Applicants must make a full-time commitment, defined as a minimum of 35 hours per week, to the organization's development. Fellows are expected to resign from their current employment. When partnerships (organizations led by two individuals) apply, both partners must make a full-time commitment of no fewer than 35 hours per week to the development of the organization.

Applicants must commit to lead their organization for at least two years. Students who apply will not be eligible for their fellowship stipend if their organization is put on hold due to time commitment conflicts with their studies.

The Echoing Green Fellowship Grant provides both technical and financial support for two years for individuals ($40,000 per year) or partnerships ($45,000 per year). The stipend can be used for any purpose related to the start-up of the organization or project. Echoing Green also offers support through a variety of media, including the Internet, conferences, site visits, and phone contact. Guidance in areas such as strategic and financial planning, staff and board development, fundraising, legal and accounting practices, and many other aspects of starting and building a nonprofit organization also is available.

Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics Essay Contest

www.eliewieselfoundation.org

The Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics Essay Contest is an annual competition designed to challenge college students to analyze the urgent ethical issues confronting them in today's complex world. Students are encouraged to write thought-provoking personal essays that raise questions, single out issues, and present rational arguments for ethical action.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
- U.S. citizens as well as international students are encouraged to apply.
- Applicants must be registered undergraduate full-time juniors or seniors during the fall 2015 semester.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

Early December 2015
Completed application and required documentation must be submitted to The Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity.

GENERAL INFORMATION
Elie Wiesel and his wife, Marion, established The Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity after he was awarded the 1986 Nobel Prize for Peace. The foundation's mission, rooted in the memory of the Holocaust, is to combat indifference, intolerance, and injustice through international dialogue and youth-focused programs that promote acceptance, understanding, and equality.

The foundation's Prize in Ethics Essay Contest was established in 1989 to encourage college students to explore ethical dimensions of their education. Since then, thousands of students from hundreds of colleges and universities across the nation have participated. Through their writing, they explored their concerns and beliefs, their fears, and their hopes.

The essay should range from 3,000 to 4,000 words and be thoroughly thought out, tightly focused, original, and imaginative. It should exemplify an eloquent writing style and a clear expression of a position that genuinely grapples with an ethical dilemma. Prizes offered range from first prize of $5,000 to an honorable mention of $500.

All submissions to the essay contest are judged anonymously. A distinguished committee reviews the essays and a jury that includes Elie Wiesel chooses the winners. Please note that no manuscripts will be returned, and essays may not be submitted elsewhere until the awards have been announced. Winning essays become the property of The Elie Wiesel Foundation and may not be reproduced elsewhere without written permission.
Ernest F. Hollings Scholarship Program

www.oesd.noaa.gov/Hollings_info.html

The Ernest F. Hollings Undergraduate Scholarship Program, administered through the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), provides support and multidisciplinary learning experiences for undergraduate students interested in pursuing research, public service, or teaching careers in the oceanic and atmospheric sciences. Awards include academic assistance for full-time study during an academic year; a ten-week summer internship at a NOAA facility; and, if reappointed, academic assistance for a second academic year.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
- U.S. citizen.
- Full-time status as a second-year college student at an accredited college or university within the United States or U.S. territories.
- Cumulative and semester GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) in all completed undergraduate courses and in the major field of study.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

September 2015
Application available online.

January 2016
Completed application and required documentation must be submitted to NOAA.

Ford Foundation Diversity Fellowship

www.nationalacademies.org/fellowships

The Ford Foundation seeks to increase the diversity of the nation’s college and university faculties by increasing their ethnic and racial diversity, and to increase the number of professors who can and will use diversity as a resource for enriching the education of all students. The fellowships provide up to three years of support for individuals engaged in graduate study leading to a Doctor of Philosophy or Doctor of Science degree. The fellowship includes an annual stipend of up to $20,000, an award to the institution in lieu of tuition and fees, and all expenses paid to attend at least one Conference of Ford Fellows.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
- U.S. citizen or national.
- Evidence of superior academic achievement.
- Committed to a career in teaching and research at the college or university level.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Predoctoral fellowships are awarded in a national competition administered by the National Research Council on behalf of the Ford Foundation. The following are considered additional positive factors in choosing successful candidates:
- Degree of promise
- Likelihood of using the diversity of human experience as an educational resource in teaching and scholarship.
- Recruitment in one or more of the following groups whose underrepresentation in the American professoriate has been severe and longstanding:
  - Alaska Native (Eskimo/Aleut)
  - Native Pacific Islander (Polynesian/Micronesian/Hawaiian)
  - Black/African-American
  - Mexican American/Chicano
  - Native American Indian

Review panels may also look at additional factors, such as the suitability of the proposed institution of graduate study and the likelihood that the applicant will fully utilize three years of support, including a year of coursework.

Awards will be made for study in research-based Ph.D. or Sc.D. programs that include the following major disciplines and related interdisciplinary fields: American studies, anthropology, archaeology, art and theater history, astronomy, chemistry, communications, computer science, earth sciences, economics, engineering, ethnomusicology, geography, history, international relations, language, life sciences, linguistics, literature, mathematics, performance study, philosophy, physics, political science, psychology, religion, sociology, urban planning, and women’s studies. Also eligible are interdisciplinary ethnic studies programs, such as African-American studies and Native American studies, and other interdisciplinary programs, such as area studies, peace studies, and social justice.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

November 2015
Completed application and required documentation must be submitted to the National Research Council.

January 2016
Supplementary materials must be submitted.

April 2016
Awards announced.
The Fulbright Program, the U.S. government’s flagship program in international educational exchange, was proposed to the U.S. Congress in 1945 by Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas. In the aftermath of World War II, Senator Fulbright viewed the proposed program as a much-needed vehicle for promoting “mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries of the world.” Signed into law by President Truman in 1946, the Fulbright Program awards grants for a variety of educational activities, advanced research, graduate study, and teaching in elementary and secondary schools. Since the program’s inception, approximately 307,000 participants—chosen for their academic merit and leadership potential—have received the opportunity to exchange ideas and help find solutions to shared issues.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- U.S. citizen.
- Cannot be a Department of State employee, an immediate family member of a Department of State employee, or an employee of an agency under contract to the Department of State to perform services related to exchange programs.

**APPLICATION TIMELINE**

- March 31, 2015: Application available online.
- August 17, 2015: All application materials must be submitted to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships for campus committee review.
- September 2015: Campus interviews are held.
- October 13, 2015: Application and supporting documentation must be received by the Fulbright Program.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

The U.S. Student Fulbright grants support an individually designed study/research plan, artistic project, or English Teaching Assistantship that will take place during one academic year in a country outside the U.S.

The Fulbright Program awards approximately 8,000 new grants annually and operates in more than 155 countries worldwide. Fulbright grants are not restricted in field of study, and students and practitioners of the creative and performing arts are encouraged to apply. Selection is based on the applicant’s academic or professional record, language preparation, and personal qualifications, as well as the feasibility of the proposed study project.

Applicants may be undergraduate seniors who anticipate graduating, master’s or Ph.D. degree candidates, and/or young professionals. Applicants must have a fully developed program of study or research that can be completed during the grant period. Most grants described are awarded for programs that will require one academic year. Application is limited to one country program or geographic region.

Applicants who have researched and applied to a chosen university and have received acceptance or made contact with a mentor in the host country are given serious consideration by the campus and national committee.

Each Fulbright grant covers round-trip transportation to and from host country, language or orientation courses (where appropriate), tuition (where appropriate), supplemental health and accident insurance, and a stipend for the academic year based on living cost in host country, and books or research allowance in some cases.

Several specialized programs such as the Fulbright MvU Awards, Fulbright-National Geographic Visual storytelling Fellowship, and the Fulbright-Clinton Public Policy Fellowship offer grants for specific purposes. See www.us.fulbrightonline.org for details.

In October 2000, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation of Seattle, Washington, announced a donation to the University of Cambridge to establish the Gates Cambridge Trust. This benefaction creates in perpetuity an international scholarship program to enable outstanding graduate students from outside the United Kingdom to study at the University of Cambridge. The trustees award scholarships on the basis of a candidate’s intellectual ability, leadership capacity, and desire to apply talent and knowledge for the benefit of others by finding solutions to problems facing the societies of the world.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Citizen of any country outside the United Kingdom.
- Bachelor’s degree from a recognized university.
- Must be admitted to the University of Cambridge, pursuing one of the following full-time residential courses of study: research leading to the Ph.D. degree; one-year postgraduate degree (e.g., M.Phil., LL.M., Diploma, M.B.A., etc.); two-year M.Sc. or M.Litt. degree.

**APPLICATION TIMELINE**

- September 2015: Application available online.
- Mid-October 2015: All applicants apply simultaneously for admission as graduate students to the University of Cambridge and for a Gates Cambridge Scholarship.
- Late December 2015: Applicants invited for interview by the Gates Cambridge Trust will be informed of their status.
- Early February 2016: Interviews are held. Candidates are expected to knowledgeably discuss their academic discipline and will know the decision by the end of the month.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

There are usually about 350 Gates Scholars in residence who are pursuing graduate study in the full range of disciplines across the 31 Cambridge Colleges. The Gates Cambridge Trust seeks to elect approximately 100 new scholars annually, though that number may vary.

Applicants need a good academic reason for wanting to study at Cambridge beyond simply rounding off their university education with a period of study abroad. The Gates Cambridge Trust does not require candidates to take a GRE test, though some departments at Cambridge may do so; candidates should check the relevant section of the Graduate Studies Prospectus.

Each scholarship covers the university composition fee and college fees at the appropriate rate, a maintenance allowance for a single student, one economy one-way airfare from the scholar’s normal country of residence to the U.K. at the beginning of the course of study or research, and one economy one-way airfare from the U.K. to the scholar’s normal country of residence at the end of the course of study or research.

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

Applicants must apply simultaneously for the Gates Cambridge Scholarship and admission to Cambridge. Applicants who wish to apply for a Gates Cambridge Scholarship for fall 2016 should apply directly to a college of their choice for admission. Deadlines vary for admission to Cambridge. Most deadline dates are October to November. The online application form (GRADSAF) is available at the Cambridge website (www.cam.ac.uk).
**George J. Mitchell Scholarship**

The George J. Mitchell Scholarship is a nationally competitive fellowship sponsored by the US-Ireland Alliance. The Mitchell Scholarship, named to honor the former U.S. senator’s pivotal contribution to the Northern Ireland peace process, is designed to introduce and connect generations of future American leaders to the island of Ireland, while recognizing and fostering intellectual achievement, leadership, and a commitment to public service and community.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- U.S. citizen.
- Between the ages of 18 and 30 as of September 30 of the year of application.
- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university before beginning study.

**APPLICATION TIMELINE**

- **April 2015** Application available online.
- **August 10, 2015** All application materials must be submitted to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships for campus committee review.
- **September 2015**Campus interviews are held.
- **October 1, 2015** UM nominees submit online application and supporting documents to US-Ireland Alliance.
- **Late October 2015**Semifinalists are interviewed via Skype
- **Late November 2015**Finalists are interviewed and recipients announced.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Mitchell Scholars Program is named in honor of the former United States senator who served as chairman of the peace negotiations in Northern Ireland. The scholarships support one year of post-graduate study in any discipline offered by an institution of higher learning in Ireland or Northern Ireland. Each scholarship covers eligible expenses for tuition, housing, a living expenses stipend, and an international travel stipend.

The proposed course of study must be available at the university selected by the applicant, and the applicant’s undergraduate program must provide sufficient basis for study in the proposed field. Applicants must demonstrate a record of intellectual distinction, leadership, and extracurricular activity, as well as personal characteristics of honesty, integrity, fairness, and unselfish service to others, which indicate a potential for future leadership and contribution to society.

The committee will look for persuasive, documented evidence of significant achievement in three areas: academic, leadership, and commitment to community and service. Some applicants have impressive academic credentials but lack a credible record of accomplishment in leadership and service. Membership or participation in a long résumé of extracurricular activities is less convincing than demonstrating a significant, tangible impact on the candidate’s community or school.

**German Chancellor Fellowship**

The German Chancellor Fellowship Program sponsors individuals who demonstrate the potential to become a prospective leader. A German Chancellor Fellowship allows individuals to carry out a project of their own design in cooperation with a German host institution they have selected.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Citizen of the United States, India, Brazil, the Russian Federation, or the People’s Republic of China.
- At least a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university before beginning study. Applicants must have completed their undergraduate degree less than 12 years before fellowship start date.

**APPLICATION TIMELINE**

- **September 15, 2015** Final day that completed application must be received by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation.
- **January 2016** Invitations for interviews are sent.
- **February 2016**Interviews take place in Washington, D.C., and final decisions are announced.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Up to 50 German Chancellor Fellowships are awarded annually to young professionals in the private, public, not-for-profit, cultural, and academic sectors. The scholarship is available to undergraduate, graduate, and postgraduate students. Candidates from all professions and disciplines, especially individuals in the humanities, law, social sciences, and economics, are eligible to apply. Successful candidates have gained full-time work experience and have already shown outstanding leadership potential in a career. Applicants have come from such fields as law, journalism, communications, management, finance, economics, architecture, public service, humanities, arts, and environmental affairs. Applications from the natural sciences may be considered if the topic has a social or humanistic dimension.

The fellowship provides for a one-year stay in Germany for professional development, study, or research. Applicants design individual projects specific to Germany and decide at which institutions to pursue them. Scholars will have an academic advisor and a mentor for the duration of their stay. The program begins September 1 of each year and is preceded by an intensive German language course taught in Germany. Prior knowledge of German is not a prerequisite for application. Scholarship holders may be accompanied by their spouses and dependent children.

Each scholarship covers eligible expenses for tuition, housing, a living expenses stipend, and an international travel stipend, including any expenses for the German language course, the introductory seminar, the study tour, and the final meeting in Berlin. Amounts vary and are based on age, experience, achievement, and type of research.

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

Candidates are expected to establish contact with a mentor in Germany before submitting an application. The mentor should agree to provide professional and/or scholarly assistance throughout the program.
President Gerald Ford signed the Act of Congress for the Harry S. Truman Scholarship on January 4, 1975. The act authorized the Truman Scholarship Foundation to “award scholarships to persons who demonstrate outstanding potential for and who plan to pursue a career in public service,” and to conduct a nationwide competition to select Truman Scholars. The mission of the foundation is to find and recognize college juniors with exceptional leadership potential who are committed to careers in government, the nonprofit or advocacy sectors, education, or elsewhere in public service, and to provide them with financial support for graduate study, leadership training, and fellowship with other students who are committed to making a difference through public service.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
- U.S. citizen (or a U.S. national from a Pacific island), or expected to receive citizenship by the date the scholarship will be awarded.
- Full-time student pursuing a bachelor’s degree with junior-level academic standing or senior-level standing in third year of college enrollment.

APPLICATION TIMELINE
November 9, 2015
All application materials must be submitted to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships for campus committee review.
December 2015
Campus interviews are held.
Early February 2016
Completed applications for UM nominees must be received by Truman Scholarship Foundation.
Late February 2016
Invitations for finalist interviews are sent.
April 2016
Truman Scholars posted on website.

GENERAL INFORMATION
The foundation seeks persons who aspire to positions in government or the nonprofit and advocacy sectors, where they wish to improve the ways in which federal, state, or local government agencies, educational institutions, and nonprofit organizations serve the public and protect resources. Selection is based on leadership abilities and potential for influencing public policies; suitability of the nominee’s proposed program of study for a career in public service; demonstrated writing skills; past academic performance and potential to perform well in graduate school; quality and extent of public and community service; and government involvement.

The foundation has supported Truman Scholars in many fields of study, including agriculture, biology, engineering, environmental management, physical and social sciences, and technology policy, as well as traditional fields such as economics, education, government, history, international relations, law, political science, public administration, nonprofit management, public policy, and public health.

One Truman “State” Scholarship will be made available to a qualified resident nominee in each of the 50 states. Students awarded Truman Scholarships will receive up to $30,000 for graduate school, participate in leadership development activities, and have special opportunities for internships and employment with the federal government. The Truman Scholarship may be deferred for up to four years after completion of undergraduate studies. Scholars are required to work in public service for three of the seven years following completion of a foundation-funded graduate degree program.

The Humanity in Action Fellowship Program (HIA) brings together international groups of student fellows to study minority rights and produce original research exploring how and why individuals and societies, past and present, have resisted intolerance and protected democratic values. Separate programs take place for five weeks every summer in Amsterdam, Berlin, Copenhagen, Paris, and Warsaw.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
- Enrolled sophomore, junior, senior, or recent graduate at the time of application.
- Open to all majors and academic disciplines.
- The GPA is just one criterion HIA evaluates during the selection process. No specific GPA threshold is required.

APPLICATION TIMELINE
January 2016
Completed application and required documentation must be submitted to the Humanity in Action Foundation.
February – March 2016
Finalists are interviewed and recipients announced.
Summer 2016
Recipients attend the HIA Program.

Humanity in Action is an international educational organization that seeks to inspire and connect a global network of students, young professionals, and established leaders committed to promoting human rights, diversity, and active citizenship—in their own communities and around the world.

HIA Fellowship Programs bring together university students from the United States and Europe for a rigorous, interdisciplinary inquiry into human rights, diversity, and minority issues. Students participate in the five-week fellowship in one of five different countries: Denmark, France, Germany, the Netherlands, and Poland. Each program is highly interdisciplinary and features daily lectures and discussions with renowned academics, journalists, politicians, and activists, as well as site visits to government agencies, nonprofit and community organizations, museums, and memorials. The programs seek to highlight different models of action to remedy injustice.

The objective of the Humanity in Action Fellowship is to facilitate a collective exploration of the social and political roots of discrimination, as well as to provide a forum where potential solutions to some of today’s most challenging issues can be considered and discussed. The programs are also intended to instill a strong sense of responsibility among Humanity in Action Fellows to recognize and address the need to protect minorities and promote human rights.

Humanity in Action covers the costs of participation, accommodations, day-to-day transportation, and a modest stipend for food during the fellowship. However, all fellows will be responsible for financing the cost of airfare to participate in the program. Humanity in Action will cover this cost for all fellows with documented need.

Humanity in Action seeks applicants who are mature, proactive, self-reliant, and comfortable in intensive group activity and interaction. Selections are made on the basis of demonstrated commitment to minority rights and social justice, evidence of leadership potential, significant academic achievement, entrepreneurship, and social maturity.
The James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation was established by Congress in 1986 for the purpose of improving teaching about the United States Constitution in secondary schools. The James Madison Fellowships honor Madison's legacy and Madisonian principles by supporting graduate study that focuses on the Constitution, its history, and its contemporary relevance to the practices and policies of democratic government.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**
- U.S. citizen or U.S. national.
- Current teacher, or plan to become a teacher, of American history, American government, or social studies at the secondary school level (grades 7-12).
- Bachelor's degree or plan to receive a bachelor's degree no later than August 31 of the year of application.

**APPLICATION TIMELINE**
- April 1, 2015: Application available online.
- March 1, 2016: Completed applications and supporting transcripts must be received by the James Madison Fellowship Program.
- April 2016: Recipients announced.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**
Applicants compete against other applicants from the state of their legal residence. Applicants are evaluated on their demonstrated commitment to a career teaching American history, American government, or social studies at the secondary school level; intent to pursue and complete a program of graduate study that emphasizes the Constitution and offers instruction in that subject; devotion to civic responsibility; and capacity for study and performance as classroom teachers and in their proposed courses of graduate study.

Each James Madison Fellow is expected to complete a master's degree at an accredited U.S. institution in one of the following areas of study (listed in order of the foundation's preference): Master of Arts in American history or political science; Master of Arts in teaching, concentrating on either American Constitutional history or American government, political institutions, and political theory; or Master of Education or the Master of Arts or Master of Science in Education, with a concentration in American history or American government, political institutions, and political theory. Fellows are encouraged to choose institutions that offer courses that closely examine the origins and development of the U.S. Constitution, the evolution of political theory and constitutional law, the effects of the Constitution on society and culture in the United States, or other such topics directly related to the Constitution.

The foundation offers two types of fellowships: Junior Fellowships, awarded to students who are about to complete, or have recently completed, their undergraduate course of study and plan to begin graduate work on a full-time basis (Junior Fellows will have two years to complete their master's degree); and Senior Fellowships, awarded to experienced teachers who wish to pursue a graduate degree on a part-time basis (Senior Fellows have up to five years to complete their degree).

Each scholarship contains a maximum amount of up to $24,000, prorated over the period of study. In no case shall the award exceed $12,000 for one academic year of study. Payments are made only for the actual costs of tuition, required fees, books, and room and board, and are made only for the minimum number of credits required for the award of the degree for which a fellow is registered.

After earning a master's degree, each Madison Fellow must teach American history, American government, or social studies in grades 7-12 for no less than one year for each full academic year of study under the fellowship.

**Marshall Scholarship**

Founded by a 1953 Act of Parliament and named in honor of U.S. Secretary of State George C. Marshall, the Marshall Scholarships commemorate the humane ideals of the Marshall Plan and express the continuing gratitude of the British people to their American counterparts. Marshall Scholarships finance young Americans of high ability to study for a degree in the United Kingdom. As future leaders with a lasting understanding of British society, Marshall Scholars strengthen the enduring relationship between the British and American peoples, their governments, and their institutions.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**
- U.S. citizen.
- Bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college or university in the United States (by the time the student takes up the scholarship).
- Can also apply within two years of completing the first undergraduate degree.
- Cumulative GPA of not less than 3.7.

**APPLICATION TIMELINE**
- May 1, 2015: Preliminary U.K. fellowship applications must be submitted to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships (details at www.miami.edu/awards).
- August 10, 2015: All application materials must be submitted to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships for campus committee review.
- September 2015: Campus interviews are held.
- October 2015: UM nominees submit online application to the British Consulate General.
- Mid-November 2015: Finalists are interviewed.
- Late November 2015: Recipients are announced.
Administered through the U.S. Department of Defense, the National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate (NDSEG) Fellowship awards three-year graduate fellowships (subject to the availability of funds) to individuals who have demonstrated ability and special aptitude for advanced training in science and engineering. The program pays the fellow’s full tuition and required fees (not to include room and board), monthly stipend, and an annual contribution toward health insurance.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**
- U.S. citizen or national. Persons who hold permanent resident status are not eligible. Proof of citizenship will be required upon formal offer.
- Pursuing doctoral studies in science or engineering.

**APPLICATION TIMELINE**
- December 2015
  Completed application and required documentation must be submitted to the NDSEG.
- April 2016
  Award notifications sent via email.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Department of Defense (DoD) is committed to increasing the number and quality of our nation’s scientists and engineers in a number of ways. First and foremost, the DoD funds thousands of graduate students, who are members of research teams, through contracts and grants. Selected by research faculty, the students engage in fundamental studies under the leadership of a senior researcher while earning advanced degrees. These students are generally wholly supported by their DoD grant or contract.

Another important mechanism for DoD support of graduate students is through portable fellowships awarded to U.S. citizens or nationals following a competition each year. These fellowships allow the recipients to pursue their graduate studies at whichever U.S. institution they choose to attend. One of these is the NDSEG Fellowship, which is highly competitive and confers high honors upon its recipients. The DoD has awarded approximately 3,000 NDSEG fellowships since the program’s inception 22 years ago. It is important to note that the NDSEG Fellows do not incur any military or other service obligation.

NDSEG Fellowships are awarded to applicants who will pursue a doctoral degree in, or closely related to, an area of DoD interest within one of the following disciplines:
- Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering
- Biosciences
- Chemical Engineering
- Chemistry
- Civil Engineering
- Cognitive, Neural, and Behavioral Sciences
- Computer and Computational Sciences
- Electrical Engineering
- Geosciences
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering
- Oceanography
- Physics

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**
- Enrolled in the final year of undergraduate study or have completed no more than the equivalent of two years of academic full-time graduate study.
- Although the NDSEG Fellowship is a highly competitive program, there is no minimum GPA requirement.

The National Institutes of Health (NIH)-Oxford-Cambridge Scholars Program is an accelerated, individualized doctoral training program for outstanding students committed to biomedical research. It enables students to undertake a collaborative project in any area of biomedical investigation involving two mentors: one in Bethesda, Maryland, and one at either Oxford or Cambridge University. Students conduct research at both locations and, potentially, other sites around the world. All students participate in educational opportunities that develop their understanding of disease outcomes and policy issues related to their studies. The projects culminate in the award of a D.Phil. or Ph.D. in science from either Oxford or Cambridge. Students may also pursue combined M.D./Ph.D. training through partnerships with a broad range of American medical schools.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**
- U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
- College senior as of the application deadline and will graduate prior to fall 2016.
- Outstanding academic performance and exceptional promise for a career in biomedical research. Previous laboratory research experience is a highly regarded qualification. Applicants must also have taken (and successfully passed) courses in biology, chemistry, (both inorganic and organic), physics, and mathematics.

**APPLICATION TIMELINE**
- August 2015
  Application portal opens online.
- December 1, 2015
  Completed application and required documentation must be submitted to the NIH.
- February 2016
  Selected candidates are invited for an interview.
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)
www.nsfgrfp.org

As the oldest graduate fellowship of its kind, the GRFP has a long history of selecting recipients who achieve high levels of success in their future academic and professional careers. The reputation of the GRFP follows recipients and often helps them become lifelong leaders who contribute significantly to both scientific innovation and teaching. The GRFP believes in innovative research and that the best way to continue to produce pioneering scientific solutions is by funding creative, diverse, and passionate researchers.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or permanent resident.
- Enrolled in the final year of undergraduate study or have completed no more than 12 months of full-time graduate study.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

Early November 2015
Completed applications, transcripts, essays, and reference letters must be postmarked and received by the National Science Foundation.

Early April 2016
Award recipients notified by NSF.

Pursing a research-focused master's or Ph.D. program in an NSF-supported field (see website for details).

Applicants with a previous graduate degree in any field are not eligible (see website for details).

GENERAL INFORMATION

National Science Foundation (NSF) Fellows are expected to become knowledge experts who can contribute significantly to research, teaching, and innovations in science and engineering. These individuals will be crucial to maintaining and advancing the nation's technological infrastructure and national security as well as contributing to the economic well-being of society at large.

The foundation welcomes applications from all qualified individuals so that the nation can build fully upon the strength and creativity of a diverse society. Women, racial, and ethnic minorities, and people with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply.

If you are planning to attend graduate school in fall 2016 (currently in your final year of your undergraduate program or have finished your baccalaureate degree), are a first-year graduate student (started in fall 2015), or are in the first semester of your second year in graduate school (started in fall 2014), then you are within the eligible amount of completed graduate study. As long as you are pursing a research-focused master's degree or Ph.D. in an NSF-supported field and meet the citizenship requirements, you are eligible to apply for the GRFP.

GRFP-supported disciplines include:

- Chemistry
- Computer and Information Science and Engineering
- Engineering
- Geosciences
- Life Sciences
- Materials Research
- Mathematical Sciences
- Physics and Astronomy
- Psychology
- Social Sciences
- STEM Fields Education (research focused)

Each GRFP Fellow receives the following: $32,000 annual stipend, $12,000 cost-of-education allowance, international research and professional development opportunities, and TeraGrid Supercomputer access.

Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans
www.pdsoros.org

The Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans provides opportunities for continuing generations of able and accomplished new Americans to achieve leadership in their chosen fields. Paul and Daisy Soros, Hungarian immigrants and American philanthropists, established their fellowship program as a way to “give back” to the country that had afforded them and their children such great opportunities. They also felt that assisting young new Americans at a critical point in their education was an unmet need. They wished to signal to all Americans that the contributions of new Americans to the quality of life in this country have been manifold.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a new American, defined as an individual who (i) is a resident alien, i.e., holds a Green Card; (j) has been naturalized as a U.S. citizen; or (j) is the child of parents born outside the United States, at least one of whom is a naturalized U.S. citizen. For other eligible circumstances, see website.
- Bachelor's degree or in the final year of undergraduate study or enrolled in the first or second year of a graduate degree program.

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Candidates must demonstrate the relevance of graduate education to their long-term career goals and potential in enhancing their contributions to society. The academic record is relevant as evidence of the candidate’s ability to successfully complete a graduate program and match the program’s specific criteria for selection. But fellowships are not awarded solely on the basis of academic record.

A successful candidate will give evidence of at least two of the following three criteria for selection: (1) creativity, originality, and initiative, demonstrated in any area; (2) capacity for accomplishment, demonstrated through activity that has required drive and sustained effort; and (3) commitment to the values expressed in the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights. The third criterion includes activity in support of human rights and the rule of law, in opposition to unwarranted encroachment on personal liberty and in advancing the responsibilities of citizenship in a free society.

Thirty fellowships are awarded each year. Fellowships support up to two years of graduate study in the United States—in any field and in any advanced degree-granting program. Each award is for up to $24,000 in maintenance grants and up to $20,000 (or 50 percent) of tuition and fees for each year of graduate study supported. The fellowship program pays the tuition grant, not including fees, directly to the institution. The fellow will be asked to inform the program of other awards that he or she has been offered and may be asked to accept a total combined award package that does not exceed full tuition and required fees, plus $5,000 for maintenance. A fellow may not work during the period of the fellowship without the permission of the director.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

Late Spring 2015
Application available online.

Early November 2015
Completed application and required documentation must be submitted to the Paul and Daisy Soros Foundation.

Late January 2016
Finalists are interviewed

March 2016
Class of 2016 is announced.
Rhodes Scholarship

www.rhodesscholar.org

Schwarzman Scholars

http://schwarzmanscholars.org/

The Rhodes Scholarship, initiated in 1902, is the oldest international scholarship. It was created to bring outstanding students from around the world to the University of Oxford. American Rhodes Scholars are selected by regional committees that choose 32 scholars representing the 50 states each year. Selection committees seek qualities that offer the promise of effective service to the world in the decades ahead. The scholarships are investments in individuals rather than in project proposals and thus seek applications from talented students without restriction to field of academic specialization or career plans. However the proposed course of study must be available at Oxford, and the applicant’s undergraduate program must provide a sufficient basis for study in the proposed field.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- U.S. citizen or permanent resident (only permanent residents who entered the U.S. legally at least five years before the application deadline and maintained permanent resident status throughout that time are eligible).
- Between the ages of 18 and 24 at the time of application.
- Scheduled to complete a bachelor’s degree before October 2016.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

May 1, 2015
Preliminary U.K. fellowship applications must be submitted to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships.

August 10, 2015
All application materials must be submitted to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships for campus committee review.

September 2015
Campus interviews are held.

October 7, 2015
UM nominees must submit online applications and supporting materials to the Rhodes Trust.

November 20-21, 2015
District interviews will be held and recipients announced.

Schwarzman Scholars is the first scholarship program created to prepare the next generation of global leaders to respond to the geopolitical landscape of the 21st century. Founded by Blackstone Chairman and CEO Stephen A. Schwarzman, the program gives students the opportunity to refine and expand their leadership abilities while completing a fully-funded, one-year master’s degree in public policy, economics, and business, or international relations at Beijing’s prestigious Tsinghua University.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university by July 2016.
- A record of academic excellence, but no required minimum GPA.
- English language proficiency.
- Between the ages of 18 and 28 as of June 30, 2016.

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Up to 200 Schwarzman Scholars will be selected each year to represent the world’s next generation of leaders. Scholars will be selected on the basis of not only their academic aptitude and intellectual ability, but also their leadership potential, entrepreneurial spirit, ability to anticipate paradigm changes, exemplary character, and desire to understand other cultures, perspectives, and positions.

A global mix of students—approximately 45 percent from the U.S., 20 percent from China, and 35 percent from the rest of the world—will live and study together at Tsinghua University on the campus of Schwarzman College, a newly built, state-of-the-art facility where all classes will be taught in English. Though prior knowledge of Mandarin is not required, basic conversational Mandarin classes will begin pre-semester and continue to be offered at all levels throughout the program. Students will pursue a one-year master’s degree in one of three disciplines: public policy, economics and business, or international studies.

All Schwarzman Scholars will share a core curriculum that serves as an anchor for the rest of their studies and builds connections among them as a cohort. Core courses include: Chinese Culture and History, Comparative Politics and Government, Critical Debates in International Relations, Leading Issues in the Global Economy, and Leadership. Students will have the opportunity to pursue internships at prominent institutions, corporations, and nonprofit organizations, and will be matched to specific opportunities based on their concentrations and professional interests after their arrival in Beijing. Each scholar will have the opportunity to work with a mentor in the Chinese business, government, or academic community. Travel is also a core feature of the program and is designed to give students the opportunity to experience China’s diverse landscapes and cultures.

Schwarzman Scholars will receive a comprehensive scholarship that covers tuition, fees, room and board, travel to and from Beijing at the beginning and end of the academic year, an in-country study tour, required course books and supplies, laptop and smartphone, health insurance, and a modest personal stipend.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

April 2015
Application available online.

September 1, 2015
UM campus deadline for enrolled students.

October 1, 2015
National application deadline.

October 2015
Selection of semifinalists.

Mid-November 2015
Interviews for semifinalists.

Late November 2015
Finalists notified.

July 5, 2016
Orientation at Tsinghua University begins.
Science, Mathematics, and Research for Transformation Scholarship for Service Program

The Science, Mathematics, and Research for Transformation (SMART) Scholarship for Service Program is an opportunity for students pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines. Recipients of the SMART Scholarship receive a cash award paid at a rate of $3,000 to $8,000 per year (depending on prior educational experience), full tuition and related education expenses, health insurance, a book allowance, summer internship opportunities (for multi-year participants), and post-graduation employment placement.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

■ U.S. citizen 18 years of age or older as of August 1, 2016.
■ Student in good standing with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
■ Pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in one of the fields related to STEM disciplines.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

August 2015
Application available online.

December 2015
Completed application and required documentation must be submitted to the SMART Program.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The program aims to increase the number of civilian scientists and engineers working at Department of Defense (DoD) laboratories. The program is particularly interested in supporting individuals who demonstrate an aptitude and interest in conducting theoretical and applied research.

If you are selected as a SMART Scholar you will have the fantastic opportunity to intern with one of the DoD laboratories, obtain valuable experience during your education, and gain exciting employment opportunities when you graduate.

Individuals applying to the program should have a strong interest in working for the DoD as a civilian research scientist or engineer. Students pursuing degrees related to the following are encouraged to apply:

■ Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering
■ Biosciences
■ Chemical Engineering
■ Chemistry
■ Civil Engineering
■ Cognitive, Neural, and Behavioral Sciences
■ Computer and Computational Sciences
■ Electrical Engineering
■ Geosciences
■ Industrial and Systems Engineering Information Sciences
■ Information Sciences
■ Materials Science and Engineering
■ Mathematics
■ Mechanical Engineering
■ Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering
■ Nuclear Engineering
■ Oceanography
■ Operations Research
■ Physics

Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowships

The Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowships provide funding to participants as they are prepared academically and professionally to enter the United States Department of State Foreign Service. The goal of the fellowship program is to attract outstanding students who enroll in two-year master’s degree programs in public policy, international affairs, public administration, or academic fields such as business, economics, political science, sociology, or foreign languages; who represent all ethnic, racial, and social backgrounds; and who have an interest in pursuing a Foreign Service career in the U.S. Department of State. The program develops a source of trained men and women who will represent the skill needs of the department and who are dedicated to representing America’s interests abroad.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

■ U.S. citizen.
■ College juniors or seniors seeking admission to a U.S. graduate school who will enroll in a two-year, full-time master’s degree program in public policy, international affairs, or public administration, or in an academic field such as business, economics, political science, sociology, or foreign languages.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

January 2016
Completed online application and supporting documents must be submitted to the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowships are funded by the U.S. Department of State and administered by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation. The Department of State seeks a Foreign Service that represents America in world affairs with citizens who reflect the diversity and excellence of our society.

The Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship program provides funding to participants as they are prepared academically and professionally to enter the U.S. Department of State Foreign Service. Women, members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service, and students with financial need are encouraged to apply.

There are two types of awards: The Thomas R. Pickering Undergraduate Foreign Affairs Fellowship (for junior-year applicants) and the Thomas R. Pickering Graduate Foreign Affairs Fellowship (for senior-year applicants or recent graduates). Each fellowship provides up to $37,500 annually toward tuition and mandatory fees, room and board, books, and some travel, pending availability of funding. Graduate Fellows receive funding during the first and second year of graduate study, while Undergraduate Fellows receive funding during the senior year of college and the first year of graduate study, with participating schools providing financial support in the second year of graduate study based on need. Fellows must participate in two summer internships, one overseas and one domestic, within the U.S. Department of State. Students receive a stipend during the internships. Undergraduate Pickering Fellows are also required to attend a summer institute based at a participating graduate school of public policy and international affairs between the junior and senior years of college.

Consideration will be given to qualified applicants who demonstrate financial need, as well as outstanding leadership skills and academic achievement. The number of fellowships will be determined by available funding. Each successful candidate is obligated to a minimum three years of service in an appointment as a Foreign Service officer. Candidates who do not successfully complete the fellowship program and Foreign Service entry requirements may be subject to a reimbursement obligation to the Department of State.
Established by Congress in 1992 to honor Morris King Udall’s 30 years of service in the House of Representatives and enhanced in 2009 to honor Stewart L. Udall’s vast public service, the Udall Foundation is a federal agency providing programs to promote leadership, education, collaboration, and conflict resolution in the areas of environment, public lands, and natural resources. The foundation seeks to strengthen Native nations and to encourage the continued use and appreciation of our nation’s resources.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- U.S. citizen, national, or permanent resident.
- Matriculated sophomore or junior at the time of nomination. "Sophomore" is a student who intends at least two more years of full-time undergraduate study beginning in fall 2016. "Junior" is a student who intends at least one more year of full-time undergraduate study beginning in fall 2016. (Students may apply for funding in both their sophomore and junior years; third-time applicants are not eligible.)
- GPA of B or above.
- Committed to a career related to the environment, tribal public policy, or American Indian health care (only American Indians and Alaska Natives are eligible to apply in tribal public policy or Native health care). Students studying tribal public policy or Native health care do not need to demonstrate commitment to the environment. Likewise, students pursuing environmentally related careers do not need to demonstrate commitment to tribal public policy or Native health care.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

October 2015
Application available online.

January 29, 2016
All application materials must be submitted to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Fellowships for campus committee review.

Early March 2016
UM nominees must submit complete application online to the Udall Foundation.

May 1, 2016
Recipients announced.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Udall Foundation seeks future leaders across a wide spectrum of environmental fields, including policy, engineering, science, education, urban planning and renewal, business, health, justice, and economics. The foundation also seeks future American Indian and Alaska Native leaders in public and community health care, tribal government, and public policy affecting Native communities, including land and resource management, economic development, and education.

The scholarship is offered to students pursuing environmental careers from disciplines including, but not limited to: anthropology, agriculture, biology and other natural sciences, cultural studies, environmental engineering, geography, health care, health science, history, Indian studies, natural resource management, political science, pre-law, public policy, sociology, or tribal policy.

The Udall Foundation will award approximately 50 scholarships and 50 honorable mentions to individuals. In awarding the scholarships, consideration will be given to the student’s field of study, career objectives, and the extent to which that individual has the commitment and potential to make a contribution to his or her field. The candidate’s plan of study should include coursework in ethics and public policy and/or public or community service experience in the area of the candidate’s career field.

Each scholarship covers up to $5,000 for tuition, fees, books, and room and board. Scholarship recipients are eligible for one year of scholarship support per application year.