Prestigious Scholar Awards

Booklet for Scholarships to Study Abroad

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Beware of Scams

- Legitimate After scholarship providers do not charge application fees and do not charge you a fee to ‘pick up’ your scholarship
- NEVER respond to emails requesting your social security number
- When in doubt ask your scholarship advisor, professor or counselor.

Renewable/Non-renewable

- Know if the scholarship is renewable. If so, you may have to meet certain criteria and complete a process for renewing the scholarship each year. Find out the requirements and keep any paperwork related to them for your records.
- Essays
- Nearly every scholarship application requires essays. Allow plenty of time for drafts
- Have professors, the Career Center or the Writing Center in Academic Resources give you feedback and corrections.
- Write online essays in a Word document. Copy and Paste online essays after proofing them.

Recommendations

- Contact the Scholarship website and find out how recommendations are to be dealt with, whether electronically or written recommendations.
- If written, provide the recommender with a stamped and addressed envelope.
- When planning recommendations, make sure you choose someone who knows your best traits, traits that are applicable to the particular scholarship you are applying for.
- Send a thank you letter to your recommender.

Scholarship Deadline

- Verify the deadline with the scholarship provider. Missing a deadline is the easiest way to disqualify your application and all of your hard work will be for nothing.
- Verify if the deadline is a due date or a postmark date.
- Verify if there is an interview date
- Verify if the application deadline is different than the deadline for the attached documents such as the references and resume.

Tracking

- Mail or Apply Electronically to the scholarship and follow up.
- Call or email to confirm your application was received and when winners will be notified.
- If possible, make copies of every application you submit.

Resume builders

- See your Career Center for help building your resume or sample resumes.
Boren Award Scholarship and Fellowships for International Study

Boren Scholarships, an initiative of the National Security Education Program, provide unique funding opportunities for U.S. undergraduate and graduate students to study less commonly taught languages in world regions critical to U.S. interests, and underrepresented in study abroad. These include Africa, Asia, Central and Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America, and the Middle East. The countries of Western Europe, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand are excluded.

Boren Scholars represent a vital pool of highly motivated individuals who wish to work in the federal national security arena. In exchange for funding, Boren Scholars commit to working in the federal government for at least one year after graduation.

Award Amounts

Maximum scholarship awards are:

- $8,000 for a summer program (special initiative for STEM students only; 8 weeks minimum)
- $10,000 for a semester
- $20,000 for a full academic year ($30,000 for the Boren Fellowship)

Length of Study

Boren Scholarships promote long term linguistic and cultural immersion, and therefore study abroad proposals for two or more semesters are strongly encouraged. This award is not able to be renewed.

National Security

The program focuses on geographic areas, languages, and fields of study deemed critical to U.S. national security. The scholar must already be enrolled in a U.S. university or college upon application.

Program Preferences

Boren Scholarships are awarded with preference for countries, languages, and fields of study critical to U.S. national security.

NSEP Service Requirement for Boren Scholars

Overview

Federal service is the cornerstone of the Boren Awards program. Recipients of a Boren Scholarship or Fellowship accept a Service Requirement to work for the federal government in the national security arena. Award recipients are not guaranteed a federal job after graduation - they must secure a position themselves. This individual-driven approach means that Boren Scholarship and Fellowship application essays must include a compelling case as to why the candidate is, or will be, qualified for federal employment with national security responsibilities. Successful applicants make this case by relating their professional, academic, extracurricular, and volunteer experience to duties required of federal employees in national security positions. The onus is on the applicant to make this connection.

The NSEP Service Requirement stipulates that an award recipient work in the Federal Government in a position with national security responsibilities. The Departments of Defense, Homeland Security, and State, or any element of the Intelligence Community are priority agencies. If an award recipient demonstrates to NSEP that
no appropriate position is available in one of these agencies, the award recipient must seek to fulfill the requirement in a position with national security responsibilities in any Federal department or agency.

Additional information about the Service Requirement, including a timeline for completion, is located on the website.

*Examples of qualifying service requirements can also be found on the website.*

**Eligibility**

Boren Scholarships are for undergraduate students. You are eligible to apply for the Boren Scholarship if you are:

- A U.S. citizen at the time of application
- A high school graduate, or have earned a GED
- Enrolled in an undergraduate degree program located within the United States accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Boren Scholars must remain enrolled in their undergraduate programs for the duration of the scholarship and may not graduate until the scholarship is complete.
- Applying to a study abroad program that meets home institution standards in a country outside of Western Europe, Canada, Australia, or New Zealand. Boren Scholarships are not for study in the United States.

*A Comprehensive List of where the applicant can study and what languages they can study can be found on the online website.*

**Fellowships for Graduates**

Boren Fellowships, an initiative of the National Security Education Program, provide unique funding opportunities for U.S. graduate students to study less commonly taught languages in world regions critical to U.S. interests, and underrepresented in study abroad, including Africa, Asia, Central and Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America, and the Middle East. The countries of Western Europe, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand are excluded.

Boren Fellows represent a vital pool of highly motivated individuals who wish to work in the federal national security arena. In exchange for funding, Boren Fellows commit to working in the federal government for at least one year after graduation.

**Length of Study**

Boren Fellowship awards are made for a minimum of 12 weeks and maximum of 24 months.

*Please see the website for more details and to begin the application process.*
Fulbright U.S. Student Program

The Fulbright U.S. Student Program provides grants for individually designed study/research projects or for English Teaching Assistant Programs. A candidate will submit a Statement of Grant Purpose defining activities to take place during one academic year in a participating country outside the U.S.

Grant lengths and dates vary by country. Please consult the specific country summary for details on the website.

Applicants for the Fulbright U.S. Student Program include:

Recent graduating seniors and recent bachelor’s-degree recipients have some undergraduate preparation and/or direct work or internship experience related to the project.

Master's and doctoral candidates   Graduate-level candidates must demonstrate the capacity for independent study or research, together with a general knowledge of the history, culture, and current events of the countries to which they are applying.

Young professionals, including writers, creative and performing artists, journalists, and those in law, business, and other professional fields   Competitive candidates who have up to 5 years of professional study and/or experience in the field in which they are applying will be considered. Those with more than 5 years of experience should apply to the Council for International Exchange of Scholars in the Fulbright Scholar Program.

Competitive applicants to the Fulbright U.S. Student Program will not have recent extensive experience abroad (excluding recent undergraduate study abroad), especially in the country of application.

Types of Grants

Study/Research Grants

The Fulbright Study/Research grant is the traditional award opportunity where a candidate designs a proposal for a specific country.

English Teaching Grants

The Fulbright English Teaching Assistant programs place grantees in schools overseas to supplement local English language instruction and to provide a native speaker presence in the class.

Travel Grants

Fulbright Travel Grants are only available to Germany, Hungary and Italy.

Special Programs

Fulbright-Clinton Fellowships

The J. William Fulbright-Hillary Rodham Clinton Fellowship will allow fellows to serve in professional public-policy-related placements in foreign government ministries or institutions and to gain hands-on public sector experience in participating foreign countries, while simultaneously carrying out an academic study/research project.
Fulbright-mtvU Awards

Fulbright mtvU Awards are available to all countries where there is an active Fulbright U.S. Student Program. Projects should center around research on an aspect of international musical culture, and should focus on contemporary or popular music as a cultural force for expression. Preference will be given to recent graduates. In addition to the Fulbright application, an mtvU Documentation and Outreach Plan is required.

Fulbright-National Geographic Digital Storytelling Fellowship

The Fulbright–National Geographic Digital Storytelling Fellowship provides a unique platform for American Fulbright students to develop global narratives and discuss commonalities across borders around a common issue or theme. Trained, supported, and mentored by National Geographic Editors during their grants in one or multiple countries, Fellows will use new media platforms to help build ties across cultures while enhancing mutual understanding. The digital content that they produce will be featured online in various places, including, most prominently, a blog hosted by National Geographic.

Supplemental Grant

The Critical Language Enhancement Award provides a supplement in the Fulbright U.S. Student Program for grantees to receive between three and six months of intensive language study in addition to their research or study grants. This opportunity is available for select languages and in limited host countries.

Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants must be U.S. citizens at the time of application. Permanent residents are not eligible. Please review the Ineligibility section below in relation to the eligibility of dual citizens.
- Applicants must have a conferred bachelor’s degree or the equivalent before the start of the grant.
- In the creative and performing arts, four years of professional training and/or experience meets the basic eligibility requirement.
- Applicants must be in good health. Grantees will be required to submit a satisfactory Medical Certificate from a physician.
- Applicants must have sufficient proficiency in the written and spoken language of the host country sufficient to communicate with the people and to carry out the proposed study/research. This is especially important for projects in the social sciences and the humanities.

Applicants may hold a J.D. at the time of application.

Doctors of Medicine may receive grants for advanced academic study, but not for internships or residencies. Scholars with an M.D. degree who have completed their formal postgraduate training and propose attachment to a hospital or clinic for the purpose of independent or collaborative research should apply to the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program through the Council for International Exchange of Scholars, www.cies.org. Grants shall not authorize activity for which a license to practice medicine or nursing is required. The Fulbright Program cannot authorize proposals for medical research that involves clinical training, patient care or patient contact.

Preferred Qualifications

Strong preference in the Fulbright U.S. Student Program is for those who have not previously held a Fulbright grant. However, those who may have held an English Teaching Assistant Program may apply for a study/research grant, provided that at least 2 years have elapsed from the end of their ETA period, and they continue to meet all other eligibility requirements.
Preference will be given to applicants whose higher education was undertaken primarily at educational institutions in the United States. Foreign study during the junior year or other periods of undergraduate study that are integral parts of the curricula of American institutions will not be considered a disadvantage.

Candidates who have not resided or studied in the country to which they are applying for more than six months, not counting undergraduate study abroad are preferred. Duty abroad in the Armed Forces of the United States is not considered disqualifying within the meaning of this section.

For most programs, applicants who have had extensive previous foreign experience in the host country are at a competitive disadvantage, but are still eligible to apply.

**Ineligibility**

- The following are not eligible for consideration:
- Applicants holding a doctoral degree at the time of application.
- Applicants seeking enrollment in a medical degree program abroad.
- Anyone who has resided abroad for five or more consecutive years in the six-year period preceding the date of application.
- Employees of the U.S. Department of State, and their immediate families, for a period ending one year following termination of such employment. This provision does not include part-time or temporary employees, consultants, and contract employees of the Department of State, unless such persons perform services related to the Bureau’s exchange programs.
- Employees of private and public agencies (excluding educational institutions) under contract to the U.S. Department of State to perform administrative or screening services on behalf of the U.S. Department of State’s exchange program, for a period ending one year following the termination of their services for the U.S. Department of State provided such employees have been directly engaged in performing services related to the exchange programs.
- In some cases it may not be feasible for a dual national to participate in a Fulbright program in the country of his or her other nationality due to host country law or policy. Therefore, it is incumbent upon candidates to ascertain whether they have, or are eligible to have, their host country’s nationality and to address any potential consequences thereof before they accept an award. In the following countries, dual nationals of the country may NOT apply to that country:

  - Australia
  - Hungary
  - New Zealand
  - Spain
  - Colombia
  - Iceland
  - Norway
  - Taiwan
  - Denmark
  - Japan*
  - Germany
  - Netherlands
  - South Korea*
  - Ukraine
  - Russia
  - Turkey

*see country summary

Note: For most grants, applicants who have had extensive previous foreign experience are at a disadvantage, but are not necessarily disqualified for that reason. However, following the policy of the relevant binational Fulbright Commission or the U.S. Embassy in the host country, an application to the following countries will
not be considered if the applicant is currently residing in or will be residing in that country during the year preceding the grant:

- Australia
- Hungary
- Mongolia
- Sweden
- Belgium
- Indonesia
- Morocco
- Switzerland
- Cambodia
- Israel
- Netherlands
- Taiwan
- Canada
- Jordan
- Norway
- Thailand
- Chile
- Korea
- New Zealand
- United Kingdom
- China
- Laos
- Philippines Uruguay
- EU Member States for EU Grants
- Luxembourg
- Portugal
- Vietnam
- Finland
- Macau
- Singapore
- France
- Malaysia
- Slovenia
- Hong Kong
- Mexico
- South Pacific Island Nations

Other Factors Affecting Eligibility

- Candidates may not apply to the Fulbright U.S. Student Program and the Fulbright Scholar Program in the same competition cycle.
- Candidates may not apply for more than one type of Fulbright U.S. Student grant in a given competition cycle.

Factors in Selection

Selection is made on the basis of:

- Quality and feasibility of the proposal as described in the Statement of Grant Purpose.
- Academic or professional record.
- Personal qualifications.
- Language preparation.
- Preference factors as established by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FFSB) and the Fulbright Commissions/Foundations.
- Extent to which the candidate and the project will help to advance the Fulbright aim of promoting mutual understanding among nations through engagement in the host community, among other activities.
- Ability of the supervising agencies abroad to arrange/confirm supervision and facilitate research clearance, if necessary.
- Requirements of the program in individual countries. In some countries, advanced-degree candidates are preferred, and in some countries, certain fields of study are not recommended. Check with IIE before filing an application if you do not meet country specifications.
- Desirability of achieving wide institutional and geographic distribution.

Award Benefits
Funding Level--The Fulbright U.S. Student Program grant numbers are subject to the availability of federally appropriated funds. The United States Department of State reserves the right to alter, without notice, participating countries, numbers of awards, terms of agreement, and allowances.

Grant benefits for all Fulbright U.S. Student grants include:

- round-trip transportation to the host country
- funding to cover room, board, and incidental costs, based on the cost of living in the host country
- Accident & Sickness Health Benefits

In some countries, grants may also include:

- book and research allowances*
- mid-term enrichment activities
- full or partial tuition
- language study programs
- pre-departure and in-country orientations

*Grantees with projects that require extensive research support, in-country travel, study materials, or equipment should explore additional funding from other sources to supplement the Fulbright funding.

Please review the relevant Country Summary for specific details.

Funds from Other Sources--If awarded a Fulbright grant, a grantee is required to report all funds received from other sources. Funds from other scholarships, fellowships, or grants in dollars or foreign currencies received concurrently with a Fulbright grant that duplicate Fulbright benefits will be deducted. But, if such grants are for assistance in meeting family expenses of grantees or other expenses not covered by the Fulbright grant, no deduction will be made. Fulbrighters may not accept remunerative work abroad during the grant period without prior approval of the supervising agency in the host country and/or IIE.

NB: If you receive an NSF award, be sure to inform your future graduate school that you have received a Fulbright U.S. Student Program grant enabling you to spend the next academic year abroad and that you have also received an NSF Graduate Fellowship. Your graduate institution may have an NSF coordinator. Find out who this is and speak to this person also. You must do this before entering your status on the NSF website.

The NSF website has added a "reserve status" on the list of tenure options, which is available after you accept the fellowship and which defers your drawing funds from the fellowship. Officially, the NSF will consider you a graduate student at your U.S. institution, even though you will be abroad.

Early Terminations--Acceptance of a grant by a candidate constitutes an agreement between the grantee and the sponsor involved. It is expected that, barring unforeseen emergencies, grantees will remain in the host country for the full tenure of the award. A grantee that leaves the host country or resigns from the grant at an earlier date than that specified in the grant authorization may be required to reimburse the supervising agency for any expenditure made on his or her behalf, including allowances for orientation or round-trip travel.

Dependents

- Within the Fulbright U.S. Student Program, a dependent is (1) a spouse, or (2) a qualified same-sex domestic partner, or (3) a relative (child, parent or sibling) who is financially dependent on the grantee. The dependent must accompany the grantee abroad for at least 80% of the grant period in order to receive the dependent benefit.
• In some countries, a modest dependent’s allowance may be available. The balance of maintenance expenses for dependents is the responsibility of the grantee. Applicants should note that local restrictions make employment opportunities for dependents very rare.
• The dependent’s allowance is not provided for any adult dependent who holds a grant from any source.
• Transportation and insurance are not provided for dependents. Grantees must provide evidence that health insurance, including emergency medical evacuation, has been obtained for their accompanying dependents.
• Grantees who plan to take dependents must, as a condition of the grant, submit a statement of their ability to finance transportation and, if necessary, maintenance support for them.

*There are academic checklists, tips about the application process, Fulbright Program Advisors to walk you through it as well as videos on the website at http://us.fulbrightonline.org/
Gates Cambridge Scholarship

About

The Gates Cambridge Scholarships are one of the most prestigious international scholarships in the world.

• First class of Scholars took up their awards in 2001
• Currently over 1,400 Gates Cambridge Scholars and Alumni from more than 100 countries
• 95 new Scholarships awarded each year: 40 in US round 55 in international round
• 225 Scholars from c. 50 countries studying in Cambridge
• Over 1,000 Alumni spread across the globe

The Gates Cambridge Scholarship program was established in October 2000 by a donation of US$210m from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to the University of Cambridge; this is the largest ever single donation to a UK university.

Scholarships are awarded to outstanding applicants from countries outside the UK to pursue a full-time postgraduate degree in any subject available at the University of Cambridge. The selection criteria are:

• outstanding intellectual ability
• leadership potential
• a commitment to improving the lives of others
• a good fit between the applicant's qualifications and aspirations and the postgraduate program at Cambridge for which they are applying

While at Cambridge, Scholars pursue full range of subjects available at the University and are spread through its departments and Colleges.

Cambridge Alumni are pursuing further study or employment across many sectors of society and, despite the relative youth of the program, are increasingly taking on leadership roles and applying their knowledge and skills to improve the lives of others.

The aim of the Gates Cambridge program is to build a global network of future leaders committed to improving the lives of others.

Eligibility Requirements

You can apply for a Gates Cambridge Scholarship if you are:

A citizen of any country outside the United Kingdom applying to pursue one of the following full-time residential courses of study at the University of Cambridge:

- PhD (three year research-only degree)
- MSc or MLitt (two year research-only degree)
- One year postgraduate course (e.g. MPhil, LLM, MASl, Diploma, MBA etc.)

Current student at Cambridge?

If you are applying for a new postgraduate course you can apply for a Gates Cambridge Scholarship.

For example, if you are currently studying for an MPhil you can apply for a Gates Cambridge Scholarship to pursue a PhD. Current Gates Cambridge Scholars may also apply for a second scholarship if they are applying...
for a new degree. Current Cambridge students apply and are considered in the second, international deadline and go through the same process of departmental ranking, shortlisting and interviewing as all other candidates.

However, if you have already started a course you cannot apply for a Gates Cambridge Scholarship to fund the remainder of it.

Courses which are NOT eligible for Gates Cambridge Scholarships:

- BA (undergraduate)
- BA affiliated (a second BA)
- MBB Chair Clinical Studies
- MD Doctor of Medicine degree (6 years, part-time)
- Part-time degrees
- Non-degree courses
- Courses at universities other than Cambridge

**The Ideal Candidate**

*Academic excellence*

Gates Cambridge Scholars are expected to be academically outstanding with the ability to make a significant contribution to their discipline while in Cambridge. At the start of the application process, potential Scholars are ranked by the department they are applying to. Only the most outstanding candidates are considered further.

*Leadership potential*

Successful applicants must be able to demonstrate a clear ability to lead. Evidence of leadership can be expressed in a multitude of ways but the capacity of Gates Cambridge Scholars to 'take others with them' is central to the success of the program.

*A commitment to improving the lives of others*

A defining characteristic of the Gates Cambridge Scholarships is the commitment of our Scholars to working for the greater good. Although broadly interpreted, this concept is nonetheless fundamental and sets this program apart from others of its kind.

*A good academic fit with Cambridge*

You should be able to persuade the Trust that your qualifications and aspirations accord with what Cambridge has to offer in its postgraduate program. It is important that you can make a convincing argument for doing a particular postgraduate degree at Cambridge. It is therefore important that you fully research your proposed degree using the Graduate Studies Prospectus and the website of the department to which you are applying.

**Gates Cambridge runs two application rounds each year - you should ensure you apply by the relevant deadline.**

**The two application rounds:**

- Round 1: US citizens normally resident in the USA
- Round 2: citizens of all countries other than the USA (except the United Kingdom) and US citizens normally resident outside the USA

**Key dates for each round for October 2016 entry are given below.**
Once you have submitted your application you and your referees will receive an email notification from the Graduate Admissions Office within 30 hours explaining how to upload supporting documents and references. You must submit this documentation by the deadlines given.

Once your application has been received, Gates Cambridge will ask academic departments in Cambridge to rank their very best candidates. A shortlisting committee then applies the four main criteria of the Scholarships to produce a final interview list.

We hold interviews in the USA in late January for Round 1 candidates and in Cambridge in late March for Round 2 candidates. If you are unable to attend in person we will interview you by Skype or phone. You will be told within a week of the interview whether you have been successful.

We advise that you begin your application as early as possible and do not wait until the deadline.

- You must submit your application no later than midday (UK time) on the dates given. Gates Cambridge cannot guarantee that applications submitted after the deadlines will be considered.
- You must supply all supporting documents (transcripts and anything else required by the department) within 14 days of submitting your application.
- You must supply references (two academic, one personal) within 14 days of submitting your application.
- If English is not your first language you will need to submit your language test scores.

*Note: if a course deadline is earlier than the relevant funding deadline above, you must apply by the earlier course deadline.

How To Apply

Standard applications (via the Graduate Admissions Office)

Applicants apply for a Gates Cambridge Scholarship and admission to their chosen postgraduate course at the University of Cambridge and a Cambridge College via the Graduate Admissions Office, using the GRADSAF form and supporting documents.
It is not possible to apply for a Gates Cambridge Scholarship without applying to the University of Cambridge. You must apply for admission as a postgraduate student to the University of Cambridge and a Gates Cambridge Scholarship at the same time, using the one application pack.

[If you are applying for admission to the MBA or Master of Finance program you apply for a Gates Cambridge Scholarship via the Judge Business School (see below)]

To be considered for postgraduate admission and a Gates Cambridge Scholarship all applicants must submit the following documents to the Graduate Admissions Office by the relevant deadline:

- GRADSAF application form (which includes a Gates Cambridge section)
- Academic transcripts
- 2 academic references
- 1 personal reference (for the Gates Cambridge Scholarship)

Although not specifically required for the Gates Cambridge application, the Graduate Admissions Office or academic department may require some applicants to submit the following for admission to the University:

- English language test scores (if English is not your first language)
- A research proposal, an example of your written work, a GRE/GMAT score, etc. Not all applicants will be required to submit such documents – you will find details of what you need to submit in the Graduate Studies Prospectus and department website.

It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure they submit all documents required so they can be considered for both admission and a Gates Cambridge Scholarship.

Applications for the MBA and Master of Finance

For the MBS and MFin programs you need to apply direct to the Judge Business School, using their on-line application system.

A Gates Cambridge Scholarship covers the full cost of studying at Cambridge. It also provides additional, discretionary funding.

The Gates Cambridge Scholarship is one of the most generous international scholarships available. It covers the following costs:

Core components

- the University Composition Fee at the appropriate rate*
- a maintenance allowance for a single student (£14,300 for 12 months at the 2015-16 rate; pro rata for courses shorter than 12 months)
- one economy single airfare at both the beginning and end of the course
- inbound visa costs & associated NHS surcharge costs
- Discretionary components

The Trust also considers applications for several types of additional funding on a discretionary basis:

- Academic development funding - from £500 to £1,500, dependent on the length of your course, to attend conferences and courses.
- Family allowance - up to £9,630 for a first child and up to £4,110 for a second child. No funding is provided for a partner.
• Fieldwork - you may apply to keep up to your normal maintenance allowance while on fieldwork as part of your PhD.
• Hardship funding - for unforeseen difficulties
• Maternity/Paternity funding - should you require it, you may apply to intermit your studies for up to 6 months and continue to receive your maintenance allowance during this time
• Some fourth year funding for PhD Scholars may be provided**

*The University Composition Fee varies for different types of students; applicants should see the Graduate Studies prospectus for full details about precise amounts. Where a student from the European Union has been successful in gaining a fees award from public authorities they must accept this and the Trust will not pay these fees.

** The PhD at Cambridge is a three-year degree and Gates Cambridge Scholars should take on a research project that they and their Supervisor think can be completed within three years. However, if there are unforeseen circumstances which mean you need further funding during all or part of your fourth year, the Trust will consider an application on a discretionary basis. But you should not rely on receiving any fourth year funding when you start your PhD.

Receiving a salary or substantial other scholarship?

If you are receiving a salary from an employer or have another substantial scholarship, the Trust reserves the right to reduce or not pay the standard maintenance allowance. You should let the Trust know ASAP if you are awarded any funding towards your degree at Cambridge.

What is not covered:

Most costs are covered by the Scholarship but Gates Cambridge does not cover bench fees or the costs of scientific equipment or similar academic resources. The Trust expects such core course costs to be covered by the academic department at Cambridge.

*For Number of Awards, Assistance with Personal Statement Requirements and the Application to Apply Please see the website.
The George J. Mitchell Scholarship Program is a national, competitive scholarship sponsored by the US-Ireland Alliance.

The Mitchell Scholarship Program, named to honor former US Senator George Mitchell'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 community and public service.

Up to twelve Mitchell Scholars between the ages of 18 and 30 are chosen annually for one academic year of postgraduate study in any discipline offered by institutions of higher learning in Ireland and Northern Ireland. Applicants are judged on three criteria:

- scholarship,
- leadership, and
- a sustained commitment to community and public service.

The Mitchell Scholarship Program provides tuition, accommodation, a stipend for living expenses and travel.

Higher Education Institutions In Ireland and Northern Ireland

Learn more about the institutions at which Mitchell Scholars may study.

- Dublin City University
- Dublin Institute of Technology
- Dun Laoghaire IADT
- National University of Ireland, Galway
- National University of Ireland, Maynooth
- The Queen’s University of Belfast Note: Not an option for 2016-17 Study
- Trinity College, Dublin
- University College Cork
- University College Dublin
- University of Limerick
- University of Ulster Note: Not an option for 2016-17 Study

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The application cycle for the 2017 Class (2016-17) for study to begin in autumn 2016, will open in the spring of 2015.

Key Dates

- Mitchell Scholarship Program Class of 2017 Application Opens: April 2015
- Mitchell Scholarship Program Class of 2017 Application Deadline (for study in Ireland during the 2016-17 academic year): October 1, 2015 5:00pm Eastern Time
- Semi-Finalist Skype Interviews: Week of October 27, 2015
- Finalist Weekend: November 20 & 21, 2015
- Mitchell Scholarship Program Selection Announcement: November 22, 2015
Eligibility Requirements

All eligible candidates who are prepared to enter a rigorous Scholarship competition are encouraged to apply.

A Candidate for the Mitchell Scholarship Program must meet all the following criteria:

• Be a U.S. citizen
• Be 18 years of age or older, but not yet 30, on September 30 of the year of application (those who turn 30 on 1 October are not eligible).
• Have a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university before beginning study as a Mitchell Scholar. Degrees from international accredited universities are acceptable, if all other conditions are met.
• While married applicants or applicants with partners are accepted, no allowance is made for the expenses of an applicant’s spouse, partner, or dependents. It is important to note that the relevant government agency may require spouses or partners who are non-EU citizens to enroll full-time and prove financial resources for the year or to obtain a work permit before seeking paid employment in Ireland or Northern Ireland. Please check with the Department of Foreign Affairs (Ireland) or the British Council (UK) for details.

All application materials must be complete and submitted by 5:00 pm Eastern Time on October 1, 2015. All information and supporting documents including recommendations and institutional endorsements must be submitted through the online application on our website before this deadline.

The applicant is solely responsible for ensuring all necessary materials are received and for submitting his or her application on time, including the receipt of recommendations. For full-time undergraduate students, your campus deadline for an institutional endorsement will be earlier than the Mitchell Scholarship application deadline, and in some cases, may be much earlier. Please seek out the campus fellowship advisor for these details before starting the application process. Graduate students, part-time students, and non-students do not submit institutional endorsements.

One warning: Once an applicant submits the application to the Mitchell Scholarship Program, it cannot be retracted. If a campus official requests that an application be submitted for review, the applicant SHOULD NOT use the submit button on our application to submit to the campus official. A fellowship advisor can review the materials online if he/she is designated as the applicant's fellowship advisor in the application.

Also, applicants should consider printing a copy of their application before submitting the application to the Mitchell Scholarship Program. Once the application is submitted to us, the fellowship advisors will no longer have read-only access.

Video Interview

Once your application has been received and certified as complete after the initial deadline, you will receive information about the required video interview. You will have approximately 48 hours to submit the video interview.

The video interview is simply another way for us to get to know candidates better. Mitchell Scholars will represent their schools, their country, and our organization when in Ireland and Northern Ireland. We want to see how well candidates express themselves in a spontaneous manner. There are no right or wrong answers. We expect that candidates will respect the integrity of this process by not sharing the questions with others.
To complete the video interview you must have a good internet connection, a quiet place in which to record the interview, and a computer equipped with a webcam and microphone. The interview will take less than 10 minutes. You will have the opportunity to do practice interviews. Once you start the real interview, you will not be able to pause or take a break. You will see three questions written in text on your screen, and you will respond orally to them in the time allotted. Your responses will be recorded.

**Materials Needed to Complete the Application**

Materials you will need to complete the Mitchell Scholarship application:

- Passport-style photo (PDF)
- All transcripts scanned into a single PDF (please block out your Social Security number if visible). This should include any undergraduate and graduate work you have completed. You may upload unofficial transcripts. Official transcripts will be required at the finalist stage in November.
- Personal statement (1,000 words maximum – most applicants find it helpful to write this in advance). The personal statement or essay is your opportunity to share your personality, passion, and drive with the selection committee that cannot be communicated elsewhere in the application materials. You will be required to affirm that this is your original work and that no one has assisted you with the personal statement in any way (see below).
- A scan of your signature (PDF)
- Information Needed to Complete the Application
  - GPA
  - Contact information for 4 Recommenders including email, mailing address and phone number.
  - Contact information for Institutional Endorser (for full time undergraduate students only)
  - Complete mailing address of your university
  - University Choices and Fields of Study- We recommend that you choose at least three programs at three different universities, and you may list as many as five. Choosing fewer than three can weaken your candidacy. When you evaluate programs, remember that the Mitchell Scholarship Program provides funding for one year only and there is no provision for a second year.
  - Information about your awards, achievements, community service, etc.

The Mitchell Scholarship Program will ask applicants selected as finalists to provide:

- Official copies of all transcripts in a sealed envelope or through a secure electronic system directly from the applicant's registrar.

**New Requirements for the Personal Statement**

In light of our experience with application essays over the years, the George J. Mitchell Scholarship Program instituted modifications to our application process effective for the 2014 competition and all subsequent competitions.

The video component of our application was the first change we made so that we may compare the person on the paper to the person before us. We have found the video a very important component of our process and believe the attestation clause will further our efforts.

The Mitchell Scholarship Program agrees with the essay guidelines released by The Rhodes Trust in March 2014. We do not, however, require that a completely different essay be written for the Mitchell. A
candidate may re-use the portion of his or her essay that makes sense for the Mitchell application, as long as it meets the requirements of our attestation clause. An essay for the Mitchell application should address why the candidate wants to be a Mitchell Scholar and why studying in Ireland or Northern Ireland make sense for his or her goals.

Accordingly, effective for the Mitchell Scholarship competition beginning in March 2014 to select all subsequent Mitchell classes, we are modifying our procedures to include an attestation clause as follows:

1) We will ask all applicants to check a box at the conclusion of the essay that attests to the following statement:

“I attest that this essay is my own work and is wholly truthful. Neither it nor any earlier draft has been edited by anyone other than me, nor has anyone else reviewed it to provide me with suggestions to improve it. I understand that any such editing or review would disqualify my application.”

Checking the box is equivalent to an e-signature. The applicant will not be able to submit the application unless the applicant checks the box.

2) We will require that institutional endorsement letter writers check a box to attest to the following statement:

"I am knowledgeable regarding the institutional practices of [name of institution] in connection with applications for the Mitchell Scholarship. To the best of my knowledge and belief, [name of institution] has provided no editorial review of the applicant's [or applicant's name] essay nor recommended reviewers from outside this institution."

Technical Difficulties: Tips on How To Resolve

Please share these tips with your recommenders and institutional endorsers. Also, we strongly recommend that you ask your letter writers to get their documents in early. Every year, people are disqualified when one letter is not submitted by the deadline. The deadline is exactly October 1, 2015 at 5:00pm EST. No exceptions.

Uploading files:

The application will only accept PDF uploads. If you are receiving an error in uploading your transcript, signature or photo, you may be using the wrong file type. Please ensure you are uploading a PDF document (and not a graphic .jpeg file). We also recommend uploading your transcript early in the process. When everyone tries to upload these large files on the last day, the system slows down and some people do not finish before the deadline.

Pasting in text fields:

There is no special formatting allowed in the long text fields (essays and recommendations). Any centered, bold text or other formatting will be stripped out. This is to ensure that all applicants are evaluated on the same basis. If typing directly into the field, save often as the web browser will time out every 20 minutes.

If you are having difficulty pasting in your text, we recommend trying a different browser or contacting the IT department at your university. Make sure you are using a laptop or desktop, and not a mobile device. Please make every effort to resolve technical difficulties on your own before contacting us.

*Please see the website for samples of applications and video interviews, tips and the application to apply.*
The Gilman Scholarship

The Benjamin A. Gilman Scholarship Program offers awards to U.S. undergraduates who have not yet completed their degree and are Pell eligible at a two-year or four-year university to participate in study abroad programs or internships worldwide.

Scholarships of up to $5000 can be received depending on the length of stay and student need, the award is non-renewable. The average amount is $4000 for the spring and fall semester and $2000.

Students who are studying a critically needed language while abroad are eligible to receive the Critical Need Language Award (CNLA) of $8000 and will be automatically considered.

Critical Need Languages:

- Arabic
- Japanese
- Korean
- Russian
- Swahili
- Bahasa Indonesia
- Chinese
- Indic languages
- Persian languages
- Turkic languages

Applicants from a four-year college must be studying abroad for at least four weeks, applicants from a two-year college must be studying for at least two weeks. Students may not study at a country on the U.S. Dept. of State’s current Travel Warning List.

Applicants must apply to a program or internship abroad that is eligible for credit at the student’s institution in the U.S.

Application Availability: January; August

Application Due Date: Early March; Early October

There are two components to the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Application:

1. Online application which includes uploading official transcripts.
2. Online certifications from the applicant’s study abroad and financial aid advisor.

Both components must be completed by the deadlines below in order for your application to be accepted. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered and extensions cannot be granted.

Students with programs beginning between May 1, 2016 and August 1, 2016 (that meet the program length minimum of four weeks) can apply to either or both summer 2016 application cycles outlined below. Depending on the student's study abroad program or international internship commitment deadlines, students can determine the summer application cycle that best meets their timeline of notification.

Please be aware that the application deadline is in Central Time and take into consideration the applicable time difference as you prepare to submit your application.
*Please see the website for FULL and IN DEPTH schedule of ALL deadlines.

Contact:
Institute of International Education (IIE)
Gilman International Scholarship Program
1800 West Loop South, Suite 250
Houston, Texas 77027

Students - Last name A-D
832-369-3477, gilmanforms@iie.org

Students - Last name E-K
832-369-3484, gilman@iie.org

Students - Last name L-Q
832-369-3475, gilmandocs@iie.org

Students - Last name R-Z
832-369-3485, gilmanapp@iie.org

University Advisors

Midwest and Northeast Regions
832-369-3487, gilmanadvisors@iie.org

West and South Regions
832-369-3483, gilmanadvisors@iie.org

Once a student is selected for the Gilman award, the student will be notified by email and an official letter. The student must accept the award online on your Gilman account according to the instructions within the letter.

*See website for more information: gilmanapplication.iie.org
Marshall Scholarship

Marshall Scholarships finance young Americans of high ability to study for a degree in the United Kingdom. Up to forty Scholars are selected each year to study at graduate level at an UK institution in any field of study.

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. Marshall Scholars are talented, independent and wide-ranging, and their time as Scholars enhances their intellectual and personal growth. Their direct engagement with Britain through its best academic program contributes to their ultimate personal success.

The objectives of the program are as follows:

- To enable intellectually distinguished young Americans, their country's future leaders, to study in the UK.
- To help Scholars gain an understanding and appreciation of contemporary Britain.
- To contribute to the advancement of knowledge in science, technology, the humanities and social sciences and the creative arts at Britain's centers of academic excellence.
- To motivate Scholars to act as ambassadors from the USA to the UK and vice versa throughout their lives thus strengthening British American understanding.
- To promote the personal and academic fulfilment of each Scholar.

Subject: Unrestricted.

Eligibility Requirements

Open only to United States citizens who (at the time they take up their Scholarship) hold a first degree from an accredited four-year college or university in the United States with a minimum GPA of 3.7. To qualify for awards tenable from October 2015, candidates must have graduated from their undergraduate college or university after April 2012.

Non-British: Persons already studying for or holding a British degree or degree-equivalent qualification are not eligible to apply for a Marshall Scholarship.

Value

University fees, cost of living expenses, annual book grant, thesis grant, research and daily travel grants, fares to and from the United States and, where applicable, a contribution towards the support of a dependent spouse.

Number of Awards

Up to 40 Scholarships awarded annually.

Tenure

The Two Year Marshall Scholarship is tenable for two academic years (i.e. 22 months), but may be extended by the Commission, though not beyond the end of a third academic year. Third-year extensions are granted by the Commission on a limited basis, for strong academic reasons, subject to the availability of funds. In addition, thanks to the generous support of the following Universities:

- Up to two third-year extensions may be granted by the London School of Economics and Political Science to those pursuing a doctorate at LSE.
• Up to three third-year extensions may be granted by the University of Oxford to those pursuing a doctorate at Oxford.
• Up to two third-year extensions may be granted by the University of St Andrews to those pursuing a doctorate at St Andrews.

The One Year Marshall Scholarship is tenable for one academic year (i.e. 12 months) and cannot be extended.

Applications
Applications are made in one of eight regions in the United States. Candidates may apply in one region only - either that in which they have their permanent home address or ordinary place of residence/employment, or that in which they are studying.

Mission Statement

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Marshall Scholars are talented, independent and wide-ranging, and their time as Scholars will enhance their intellectual and personal growth. Their direct engagement with Britain though its best academic programs will contribute to their ultimate personal success.

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• To help scholars gain an understanding and appreciation of contemporary Britain.
• To contribute to the advancement of knowledge in science, technology, the humanities and social sciences and the creative arts at Britain's centers of academic excellence.
• To motivate scholars to act as ambassadors from America to the UK and vice versa throughout their lives thus strengthening British American understanding.
• To promote the personal and academic fulfilment of each scholar.
• Marshall Scholarships are special and distinguished in that:
  • Scholars can come from any US university and are free to choose their course of study at any UK institution, thus offering them maximum freedom and independence.
  • They are the only scholarships funded substantially by Her Majesty's Government. This provides unique and wide access and links with the British government and its peoples.
  • The rigorous selection process, run locally in each of eight American regions, is managed by distinguished panels from a broad spectrum of government, academia and business, many of them Marshall Alumni.
  • The life-long network of Marshall Alumni facilitates continued engagement in the fostering of the trans-Atlantic relationship with attendant benefits to Scholars on their return to the US.
  • The Marshall Commission provides help and support for Scholars to ensure that their time in the UK is well spent.

Founded by a 1953 Act of Parliament, Marshall Scholarships are mainly funded by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and commemorate the humane ideals of the Marshall Plan. They express the continuing gratitude of the British people to their American counterparts.
The Scholarships are administered by the Marshall Commission on behalf of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. The Secretariat is provided by the Association of Commonwealth Universities. In the US the selection process is managed by the regional Consulates General in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, New York and San Francisco, and in Washington DC by the British Embassy.

**Applying for a Marshall Scholarship**

The rules for Marshall Scholarships can be found on the website.

Before completing the application candidates are advised to consider the objectives of the Marshall Scholarship Program (see opening paragraph of the Rules for Candidates); the evaluation Criteria and to be aware that the selection committees are seeking candidates who have the potential to excel as scholars, leaders and as contributors to improved UK-US understanding.

In addition before applying for a 2016 Marshall Scholarship, candidates should review the information on the Marshall Partnership Scholarships.

Full instructions on filling in the application form are available once you start the process of applying on-line.

Enquiries about the Marshall Scholarship Application should be sent to apps@marshallscholarship.org

**Degrees not funded under the Marshall Scholarship:**

- Second BA/BSc (undergraduate) Degrees
- MBA
- MPhil Development Studies (University of Oxford)
- MSc/MFE Financial Economics
- MSc Global Health Science (University of Oxford)
- MPP (Public Policy) (University of Oxford)
- Degrees leading to professional qualifications in medicine, dentistry, veterinary science and law (these degrees typically take 5 years to complete)
- Degrees that require extended periods away from the University or the UK, including joint degrees with Universities not in the UK
- PGDip/Certificates in any subject
- Supervised research not leading to a degree qualification
- One year Marshall Scholarship candidates must be registered for degrees that are 12 months in duration. Courses that run for 10 months or less, ie where the course ends before August will not be funded on the one year Scholarship. Please check the university websites carefully for the duration of the degree in months. There are no exceptions to this regulation.

**The process**

Candidates fill out the form and submit it through the system to their institution, the institution ensures that the application is complete and decides whether or not to endorse it. If the Institution decides to endorse the application they will add the letter of endorsement and will then submit it through the system to the appropriate regional committee. Candidates should contact the appropriate contact at their institution if they are considering applying for a Marshall Scholarship.

**Your completed application**
Candidates may apply in one region only - either that in which they have their permanent home address or ordinary place of residence/employment, or that in which they are studying. Any candidate applying in more than one region will automatically be disqualified.

Candidates may apply for either the one year or two year Scholarship not both. Any candidate found applying for both will automatically be disqualified.

Candidates must submit their application on the online form provided. Applications must be endorsed by the President, Provost, or Academic Dean of the applicant's US educational institution (or employer). The online application must be submitted and authorized by a designated member of staff at the applicant's educational institution (or employer). NB Your institution may have earlier deadlines for submission of your application. Whether this is the case or not you must submit your application in a timely manner in order for your institution to be able to authorize it for submission by 1 October.

All items including the four letters of recommendation must be submitted online by the authorized contact and received at the regional center no later than October 1. NB: Academic transcripts must also be sent by mail to the regional center, one original should be sent and they should be marked with the id code given, and be received no later than October 1.

You will be able to track and monitor your application's progress online.

What happens next?

Applications will be received and reviewed at eight regional centers in the United States. Shortlisted candidates will be called for interview in November. The final selection will be announced shortly after interview. Successful applicants will be offered a scholarship in writing, and will be asked to accept or decline this offer, also in writing; within 10-12 days of receiving it (This timeframe may be shorter where the interviews occur late in the interview week). In keeping with other UK government-funded programs the Marshall Commission asks Scholars to give a definitive and final response in this way, so that the Commission can at the earliest opportunity arrange the best and most appropriate graduate program and living accommodation for each Scholar's needs.

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for a 2016 Marshall Scholarship, candidates must:

- be citizens of the United States of America (at the time they apply for a scholarship);
- (by the time they take up their scholarship i.e. September 2016) hold their first undergraduate degree from an accredited four-year college or university in the United States;
- have obtained a grade point average of not less than 3.7 (or A-) on their undergraduate degree. (Applicants must have a GPA of 3.7 at the time of application).
- have graduated from their first undergraduate college or university after April 2013.
- not have studied for, or hold a degree or degree-equivalent qualification from a British University.

Before completing the application candidates are advised to consider the objectives of the Marshall Scholarship Program (see opening paragraph of the Rules for Candidates) and to be aware that the selection committees are seeking candidates who have the potential to excel as scholars, leaders and as contributors to improved UK-US understanding. Our selection criteria can be found on the website.
The Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission promotes an equal opportunities policy. Scholarship awards are based on merit following a fair and transparent selection process. The Marshall Commission seeks and recruits students from all backgrounds.

**Marshall Scholarship – Candidate Evaluation Criteria**

In appointing Scholars the selectors will look for candidates who have the potential to excel as scholars, as leaders and as contributors to improved UK-US understanding. Assessment will be based on academic merit, leadership potential and ambassadorial potential.

The selection criteria are divided into three equally weighted categories:

- Academic Merit
- Leadership Potential
- Ambassadorial Potential

*For more information or for the applications please visit the website: http://www.marshallscholarship.org/*
NDSEG Fellowship Program

As a means of increasing the number of U.S. citizens and nationals trained in science and engineering disciplines of military importance, the Department of Defense (DoD) plans to award approximately 200 new three-year graduate fellowships in April 2015, subject to the availability of funds. The DoD will offer these fellowships to individuals who have demonstrated the ability and special aptitude for advanced training in science and engineering.

NDSEG Information

The National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate (NDSEG) Fellowship is a highly competitive, portable fellowship that is awarded to U.S. citizens and nationals who intend to pursue a doctoral degree in one of fifteen supported disciplines. NDSEG confers high honors upon its recipients, and allows them to attend whichever U.S. institution they choose. NDSEG Fellowships last for three years and pay for full tuition and all mandatory fees, a monthly stipend, and up to $1,000 a year in medical insurance (this excludes dental and vision insurance).

Eligibility Requirements

There are four eligibility requirements: citizenship, discipline, academic status, and the ability to accept the full benefit. You must meet all four requirements in order to be eligible.

Citizenship – The NDSEG Fellowship Program is open only to applicants who are citizens or nationals of the United States. The term "nationals" refers to native residents of a possession of the United States such as American Samoa. It does not refer to a citizen of another country who has applied for U.S. citizenship. Persons who hold permanent resident status are not eligible. Proof of citizenship will be required upon formal offer.

Discipline – Your field of study must fit under one of the fifteen supported 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

As long as your area of interest is reasonably considered to be in one or more of these fields, you should be eligible to apply in terms of discipline. If you need help selecting one of our supported disciplines, we recommend you to utilize your academic or research advisor for guidance.

Academic Status – NDSEG Fellowships are intended for students at or near the beginning of their doctoral studies in science or engineering. Applicants must have received or be on track to receive their bachelor's degrees by Fall 2015.

ASEE and the DoD use academic status guidelines to ensure that students at or near the beginning of their graduate studies receive fellowships. To be eligible, applicants must either:
be enrolled in their final year of undergraduate studies,
• or have completed less than two full-time years of graduate study in the discipline in which they are applying

Exceptional circumstances may qualify other applicants as being at an early stage of their graduate studies, therefore making the applicant eligible for consideration.

Applicants who have received a medical degree or Ph.D. in science or engineering are not eligible for the NDSEG fellowship.

*Ability to accept* – You must intend to pursue a doctoral degree in order to be eligible for NDSEG Fellowship support. If you are awarded, you must start your tenure in the fall of that year. Fellowships awarded in the spring of 2016 must start in September 2016. The NDSEG Fellowship can be deferred only under exceptional circumstances; you will not be able to defer it if you were awarded another fellowship you wish to use instead.

NDSEG Fellows must be enrolled full-time and must be pursuing graduate study at a U.S. institution; the NDSEG Fellowship does not pay for tuition at any non-U.S. institution.

A fellow may not accept simultaneous remuneration from another major fellowship. Fellows must be eligible to accept both the tuition benefit and the full stipend amount.

**Application and Award Dates**

The NDSEG Fellowship Application is now open and will close December 18, 2015 at 5 p.m. ET

**Stipends and Allowances**

The DoD will pay the fellow's full tuition and required fees (not to include room and board). Stipend amounts have changed for the 2015-2016 academic year.

All Fellows, starting with the 2015 Class, will receive a total of $102,000.00 in stipend funds over the course of their 36-month program tenure. Stipends are prorated monthly based on a 12-month academic year.

If the fellow is not enrolled in an institutionally approved academic study and/or research activity during the summer months, financial support will not be provided. There are no dependency allowances. Persons with disabilities may be considered for additional allowances to offset special educational expenses.

The NDSEG Fellowship Program will also pay for the medical insurance coverage offered through the institution, up to a total value of $1,000 per year (this excludes dental and vision insurance). Any excess insurance costs will be the responsibility of the fellow.

**Location of Enrollment**

Fellowships are tenable only at U.S. institutions of higher education offering doctoral degrees in the scientific and engineering disciplines specified as being supported by the program. Applicants may apply before being accepted into a graduate program. If an applicant has not been accepted into a graduate program, the application should reflect the applicant's preferred graduate program and institution. The award will be contingent upon the applicant's admission to a suitable program.

During part of the fellowship tenure, a fellow may study or engage in research or fieldwork away from his or her academic institution if, in the judgment of the fellow's academic advisor and upon prior approval from the DoD Program Manager, such arrangements further the fellow’s education and contribute directly to the
attainment of a doctoral degree. Stipends will not be paid to fellows while they are engaged in internships, research or employment and not enrolled full-time at their institution.

**Conditions of Appointment**

Fellows are required to enroll in full-time programs leading to doctoral degrees in one of the fifteen supported disciplines. According to the policy of an academic institution, such programs may include a reasonable amount of teaching or similar activities that contribute to the fellow's academic progress. As long as any teaching duties do not interfere with the fellow’s coursework or research, these activities are permitted while an NDSEG Fellow.

Fellows must be able to accept both the tuition benefit and the full stipend amount in order to be supported by NDSEG, and NDSEG must pay the full cost of tuition.

*Please see the website for the Application process and Tips on applying.*
Rhodes Scholarship

The Rhodes Scholarship application is available each year in early July.

In 2015, the application deadline is 11:59 PM U.S. Eastern Time on Thursday, October 1, 2015.

District receptions and interviews are held annually on the Friday and Saturday preceding the Thanksgiving holiday. Districts will notify candidates regarding interview status at differing intervals, but in all cases no later than two weeks prior to the interviews. Election announcements are made at the conclusion of the Saturday interviews.

For those contemplating application, rules and requirements will generally remain similar from year to year. 

Please review carefully the materials for applicants posted on this site for complete application information. While not exhaustive, the following is a quick guide to eligibility:

At the time of application, an applicant must be:

- a citizen of the United States, or
- a lawful permanent resident of the United States prior to and including at least 5 years of the application deadline.
- at least 18 but not yet 24 years of age (i.e., the applicant must still be 23 on October 1 in the year of application).
- sufficiently advanced academically to assure completion of a bachelor’s degree before October 1 in the year following election.

The applicant must be eligible to apply through one of the 50 states or the District of Columbia: either in the state where he or she was legally resident on April 15 in the year of application, or where he or she will have received at least two years of college training and a bachelor’s degree before October 1 in the year following election. (U.S. citizens who are residents of U.S. territories are only eligible to apply if they will have at least two years of college training and a bachelor’s degree from a college or university in one of the 50 states or the District of Columbia.)

The applicant must produce:

1. the endorsement of his or her college or university.
2. five, but not more than eight, letters of recommendation. At least four of these must be persons from whom you have received undergraduate or graduate instruction, and at least one letter (the fifth) must speak to your character.
3. a personal statement not exceeding 1000 words which the applicant must attest as wholly truthful and his or her own work. Please click on link below for specific statement and certification requirements.
4. a list of principal activities.
5. proof of citizenship or lawful permanent resident status.
6. a certified transcript (or transcripts).
7. a passport-size photograph.
The applicant must be prepared to attend a reception and personal interview, and remain for possible re-interviews and the election announcement, in the city serving the respective district region, on the Friday and Saturday preceding the Thanksgiving holiday. A link above on this page titled 'District Regions' will display where interviews will be held, and the states within each district. Please be aware that there may be changes in interview locations and the states grouped within districts from year to year.

**Lawful Permanent Residents of the United States**

Beginning with the selections that took place in November 2014, certain United States lawful permanent residents became eligible to apply for the Rhodes Scholarship. Citizenship by the time of application is no longer the only test of United States eligibility.

To be eligible if not yet a United States citizen, an applicant must have been lawfully admitted to the United States as a permanent resident of the United States no later than five years prior to the deadline for application for a Rhodes Scholarship, and must also have maintained United States permanent resident status continuously for the entirety of the five-year period prior to and including the date of the deadline in the current year for the application for the Scholarship. In 2015 the application deadline will be Thursday, October 1, and a non-U.S. citizen applicant must be able to provide evidence of lawful permanent resident status during the five-year period October 1, 2010 through and including October 1, 2015. An applicant applying as a United States lawful permanent resident shall not have applied for the Scholarship as a citizen or permanent resident of another country, may not apply in two jurisdictions at once, and may not apply in a different national jurisdiction after having applied in the United States. A sample of the declaration that applicants will be required to submit, and a special FAQ concerning the documentation to be submitted with the declaration can be obtained via the below link.

**INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS**

The U.S. Rhodes Scholarship application is for entry to Oxford University in October. Deferral of the Scholarship is not permitted.

1. **Closing date**

The U.S. application will close at 11:59 PM Eastern Time on Thursday, October 1, 2015. Early submissions are encouraged.

It is expected that institutional endorsements and letters of reference will also be submitted online by this same closing date and time.

2. **Eligibility criteria**

An applicant must be a U.S. citizen, or a lawful permanent resident of the United States meeting the criteria outlined on the U.S. Rhodes Scholarship website (www.rhodesscholar.org).

An applicant must be at least 18 but not yet 24 years of age by October 1 in the year of application.

An applicant must have completed or be expected to complete an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution by October 1 in the year following election.

3. **Application process**

All applicants must apply online, and all applications must be submitted by the published closing date and time. Late or incomplete applications cannot be considered.
In preparation for making an application, all applicants should read carefully the general information on the Rhodes Trust (U.S.) website, the Rhodes Trust (U.K.) website (www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk), the Detailed Conditions of Tenure of the Rhodes Scholarship (www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/files/Application/Conditions-of-Tenure.pdf), the graduate admissions pages of the University of Oxford website (www.oxford.ox.ac.uk), and the information contained in this document.

Applicants may apply in their state of college or university training or in the state in which they were resident on April 15 in the year of application. Details concerning residency may be found on the U.S. Rhodes Scholarship website.

Applicants in certain U.S. District regions may be asked to take part in preliminary video interviews in October. Candidates selected for finalist interviews must attend in person; no candidate will be selected for a Rhodes Scholarship without an in-person interview.

Applicants may make only one application in any application year. In cases of dual citizenship, an applicant may apply to one constituency only.

Financial need does not give special claim to a Rhodes Scholarship.

Costs incurred by candidates in attending interviews are not reimbursed.

4. Application requirements

All applicants must provide the following as part of their Scholarship application:

- Passport, birth certificate, or other proof of age and nationality.
- A 1000-word personal statement, with required attestation as to the applicant’s own work.
- A principal list of activities/resume, not to exceed two pages in length and in no smaller than 10-point type.
- Official academic transcript/transcripts.
- A head and shoulders photograph.
- The name and contact details of the individual supplying the applicant’s institutional endorsement.
- The names and contact details of five to eight referees; at least four of these must be academic, and at least one (a fifth) must be from someone who can speak to the applicant’s character.

Applicants are urged to provide endorsement and referee details as soon as possible, and not to wait until the registration deadline, in order to give the endorser and referees adequate time to prepare and submit their letters.

5. Selection procedure

Selection for the Rhodes Scholarship is made without regard to marital status, race, ethnic origin, color, gender, religion, sexual orientation, social background, disability, caste or other irrelevant information.

The decision of the selection committee is final.

The Rhodes Scholarship is confirmed only upon successful admission to the University of Oxford.

6. Procedure after selection

Successful applicants will need to apply to the University of Oxford very soon after selection. Full details will be supplied by the Rhodes Trust, Oxford, following selection.
Candidates applying for a second undergraduate degree with senior status will need to submit a paper application, which will be provided following selection, and which must reach Rhodes House by Friday, November 27, 2015. Such candidates will therefore be required to make a quick submission following U.S. selection.

Successful candidates will be encouraged to disclose, in confidence, any medical condition or special needs which may require academic or personal support in Oxford. This disclosure is entirely voluntary, and is requested only to enable Rhodes House to provide suitable support in Oxford and to make the transition to Oxford as smooth as possible.

*See website for the application and how the awards are given out to individuals.*
Roads Scholarship

The SYTA Youth Foundation Road Scholarship

The SYTA Youth Foundation established the Road Scholarship program in 2002 to award funds to youth who, for various reasons, are unable to afford the cost of their group's travel. Based on the belief that travel is essential to a complete education, it is the SYTA Youth Foundation's goal to make a positive difference, through travel, in the young lives of our global citizens. Since its inception, the SYTA Youth Foundation has awarded over a thousand scholarships to deserving youth. Scholarships are awarded based on the applicant's circumstances and need as documented in the completed application form.

A Road Scholarship is financial aid granted to an eligible student or young person for education or performance-related travel with their class or youth group. The SYTA Youth Foundation's Board of Trustees has the final decision as to each award and each award is made at its sole discretion.

Eligibility Requirements

All Road Scholarship nominations must be submitted by an educator, program leader, or designated school official for students under the age of 18. Applicants who are between the ages of 18 and 25 may apply and submit a Road Scholarship application on their own behalf.

Please note that the SYTA Youth Foundation will not consider applications submitted by parents.

Deadlines

There are two application deadlines for Road Scholarships and applications will only be accepted online:

Application Periods:       Announcement Dates:
February - March           Early May
September - October        Mid December

Applicants should note that the decision process takes approximately six weeks from the date of the application deadline. Please note this time frame when planning to meet trip payment deadlines. Please also note that the SYTA Youth Foundation Road Scholarships can only be applied to travel costs of the specific trip indicated in the application. This trip must take place within 12 months of the Announcement Date.

Awards

The scholarship amount varies on a case-by-case basis, depending on the cost of specific trips, the demonstrated need of the applicant, and the number of applicants in a given application period. The average Road Scholarship granted is $750. No more than $1,000 will be awarded to a single student.

The number of scholarships awarded depends upon the number of applications received in a given period, the cost of specific trips, and the general level of need in a given applicant pool. The Road Scholarship program generally receives between 400-600 applications each period, and is able to award approximately 12% of the applicants. It is the SYTA Youth Foundation's goal to increase this number; to learn how you can help make student/youth travel a reality please contact info@sytayouthfoundation.org.

Can a single trip win a Road Scholarship?
Yes, but the SYTA Youth Foundation reserves the right to limit the number of students receiving scholarships from a single school per application period. Specifically, a single trip cannot receive more than $1000. This limit exists in order to spread the benefits of the Road Scholarship program to a broad number of students and organizations. There is no guarantee that a given trip will receive any funding from the Road Scholarship program.

Multiple Nominations can be given but keep in mind no more than $1,000 will be awarded to a single trip.

All nominators will receive an email from the SYTA Youth Foundation staff notifying them the results. The SYTA Youth Foundation staff will not contact students/youth or their parents. It is the responsibility of the nominator to share the results of the application process with the nominee and his/her family. In order to facilitate this process, it is imperative that all nominators include their correct, up-to-date email address to ensure they can be contacted with results.

**Disbursement of Funds**

The amount you receive will be indicated in the email. All scholarship awards will be paid directly to the organization or company responsible of organizing the trip, such as professional tour operator or school. No money will be given to students/youth or their families. Checks must be written to the tour operator, school, or group organization the trip and cannot be made out to individuals. If awarded a Road Scholarship, you must claim the scholarship funds within 30 days of the notification date. All unclaimed funds will return to the scholarship pool. If the student/youth cannot attend the trip, the award is forfeited and cannot be transferred to another person or saved for another trip.

What do I need to do after I've received the notification email which indicated that the student/youth I nominated was awarded the scholarship?

You will need to respond with the trip verification letter that includes the following information:

- The letter must be written on school or organization letterhead
- You must indicate to whom the check should be written (either the school or tour operator)
- The address that the check should be mailed to
- If applicable, the Trip ID number, account number, or any additional information that would help the tour company/school identify the student/youth

Once this trip verification letter is returned, the date is logged and you have up to 9 months to use the scholarship.

I applied for a Road Scholarship and did not receive the funding. Can I apply in the next application period?

Yes, those who are not awarded a Road Scholarship may apply again. It is the responsibility of the nominator to re-submit the online application. Applications from those not awarded a scholarship will not be retained, nor automatically re-considered in the next application period.

If the nominees travel expenses have already been paid, can they be reimbursed with their Road Scholarship?

No, scholarships cannot be paid as reimbursements. All Road Scholarship funds must go directly to the organization or company responsible for organizing the trip, such as the tour operator or school. No money will be given directly to the students/youth of their families.
Harry S. Truman Scholarship

Eligibility Requirements

If you can put a check beside each of the following statements, you should be a strong candidate for a Truman Scholarship. If more than two do not apply, the Truman Scholarship is probably not right for you.

Legal Requirements (must be met)

- At the time I apply, I will be a full-time student pursuing a bachelor's degree with junior-level academic standing; I have senior-level standing in my third year of college enrollment; or I am a senior and a resident of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, or a Pacific Island. Note: Students who are already attending graduate school are not eligible for the Truman Scholarship.
- I am a U.S. citizen (or a U.S. national from a Pacific Island) or I expect to receive my citizenship by the date the Scholarship will be awarded.
- Career and Graduate Study Interests
  - I hope to be a "change agent," in time, improving the ways that government agencies, nonprofit organizations, or educational institutions serve the public.
  - There are conditions in our society or the environment which trouble me.
  - I want to work in government, education, the nonprofit sector, or the public interest/advocacy sector to improve these conditions.
  - I am comfortable committing to work in public service for three of the first seven years after I complete a Foundation-funded graduate degree.
  - I would like to get a master's degree, a doctorate, or a professional degree such as a law degree or a Master of Public Administration, Master of Public Health, Master of Social Work, Master of Education, Master of Public Policy, or Master of International Affairs.

Community Service and Academic Record

1. I have participated extensively in two or more of the following sets of activities:
   - Student government and/or campus-based extracurricular activities;
   - Community service-related activities that were not organized by my school or by my fraternity/sorority;
   - Government internships, commissions or boards, advocacy or interest groups, nonpartisan political activities, or military/ROTC;
   - Partisan political activities and campaigns.

2. I have been involved with organizations or activities related to my career interests.

3. I have demonstrated some of my leadership potential.

4. I have sufficiently strong grades and coursework to gain admittance to a first-rate graduate institution.

5. I read regularly a good national newspaper and a thoughtful periodical.

6. I have had one or more courses relating to my career interests.

General

- I would appreciate external affirmation of my values and goals.
- I would like to become associated with Truman Scholar "change agents."
• I am capable of analyzing a public issue in my intended career area and presenting my findings in a one-page memo to a government official who could take action.
• I am willing to prepare an outstanding application and policy proposal under the supervision of my Truman Faculty Representative.
• I believe I could hold my own in a challenging interview conducted by a panel of prominent public servants, educators, and former Truman Scholars.
• I could use $30,000 to continue my education.

**All Candidates for the Truman must be nominated by their undergraduate institution. Our Fac. Rep Locator will help you to find the representative at your school - and provide guidance if there is not a current representative at your school. Faculty Representatives can also answer both specific questions about the application process as well as general questions about whether the Truman is right for you.**

Please review these dates before applying. These dates are firm; the Foundation will not accommodate requests for changes to these dates.

• Truman Application Deadline: February 3
• Finalist Confirmation Due: February 26
• Finalist Posting: February 27
• Regional Review Panels: March 5 through April 11
• Scholar Posting: April 15
• Truman Scholars Leadership Week: May 19-24

*Dates may be subject to change please check the Truman Scholar website for information:
http://www.truman.gov/

FAQ - Candidates

*How do students apply for the Truman Scholarship?*

Students must be nominated by their institution in a process conducted by the Truman Scholarship Faculty Representative. The process may vary from institution to institution. Please contact the Faculty Representative at your institution as soon as possible as several schools have early deadlines. A listing of Faculty Representatives is available in the Faculty Rep Locator on the website.

*What if my school doesn't have a Faculty Rep?*

You will need to find a faculty or staff member willing to serve in this capacity. Please have them consult How to become a faculty Rep for more information.

*What is the deadline for the annual Truman competition?*

Applications are due, by 11:59 pm in your time zone, on the first Tuesday in February. Your school may have an earlier deadline.

*What must each application include?*

Applications must include:

1. The application form and policy proposal;
2. A nomination letter from your institution;
3. Three additional letters of recommendation; and
4. A transcript.

All of these materials will be submitted online. Your Faculty Rep will be responsible for uploading your letters and transcript.

**How many students are nominated each year?**

Approximately 600 applications are forwarded to the Truman Foundation.

**How many Scholars are selected each year?**

Between 55 and 65.

**How are Truman Scholars selected?**

First, the institution chooses its nominees in a procedure determined by the Faculty Rep. Second, the Truman Finalist Selection Committee will review all writing applications and select approximately 200 students as Finalists. Finally, a series of Regional Review Panels will conduct interviews and select the Truman Scholars.

**How are the scholarships distributed?**

The Foundation tries to have at least one Truman Scholar each year from each state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Islands (American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands). The Foundation will also award more than one scholarship per state or territory if the selection committee agrees that two candidates are equally worthy.

The Foundation has high standards for the selection of Truman Scholars. When an interview panel judges that no Finalist from a given state satisfactorily meets the selection criteria, no scholarship is awarded. The scholarship will be carried over to next year when two or more are available.

**What are the primary criteria for selection?**

1. Extensive record of campus and community service;
2. Commitment to a career in government or the nonprofit and advocacy sectors;
3. Communication skills and a high probability of becoming a "change agent"; and
4. Strong academic record with likely acceptance to the graduate school of the candidate's choice.

Very few candidates are strong in all areas. Each year we select a number of Scholars who have gaps in their application. In general, the record of campus and community service and the commitment to a career in public service are the most important criteria. We do not select Finalists who have significant gaps in these areas.

**How important are grades?**

Grades are less important than the leadership or public service record, but are still significant. The Foundation is much more interested in a student's transcript than his or her GPA. A challenging selection of coursework, even with a lower GPA, will be rated higher than a perfect GPA in less challenging courses. Additionally, the Foundation views a student's academic performance in light of the graduate school plan he or she proposes.

While most Truman applicants have outstanding academic credentials, an application with outstanding academics, but little public service or leadership, will not be successful.
Is financial need a consideration?
No.

Must candidates be U.S. Citizens?
Yes, except for persons from the Pacific Islands who are eligible only if they are U.S. nationals or permanent residents of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Resident aliens (green card holders) are not eligible. Students in the process of being awarded U.S. citizenship will need to become citizens prior to the date of the award (usually in late May of the year of selection).

How does the Foundation define public service?
The Foundation defines public service as employment government at any level, uniformed services, public interest organizations, nongovernmental research and/or education organizations, public and private schools, and public-service orientated nonprofit organizations such as those whose primary purposes are to help needy or disadvantaged persons or to protect the environment.

Are certain degrees given priority? Can I apply for the Truman if I am considering a degree in medicine or physical sciences?
Most Truman Scholars seek juris doctors or masters and doctoral degrees in public administration, public policy, public health, international relations, government, economics, social services, education, urban planning, conservation and environmental protection. Some Scholars have pursued medical, physical science or even business degrees - but those Scholars were able to clearly demonstrate how these degrees would further their careers in public service.

Does the Foundation prefer people who plan to do policy work over those who wish to provide direct services?
The Foundation seeks Scholars who plan to have an impact on a particular issue or community. Whether this impact would best be felt via policy change, direct services, or advocacy is up to the individual Scholar.

Does the Foundation prefer people who plan to work on domestic issues over international issues?
The Foundation seeks Scholars who plan to work either domestically or internationally.

I will be off campus during my junior year. Can I still apply?
Yes, provided your school is willing to nominate you. If you are off campus in a study abroad program, you will still be required to attend the interview in person if you are selected as a Finalist. We also recommend that you work closely with your Faculty Rep in the spring of your sophomore year to prepare for the interview and application process.

I don't think I can attend the Truman Scholars Leadership Week. Can I still apply?
Truman Scholars Leadership Week (TSLW) is a required part of the scholarship. If you do not attend, you will not be named a Truman Scholar.

I'm not sure about my graduate school plan. What if I change my mind?
You can change your graduate school plan so long as you still wish to pursue a degree to further a career in public service.

I am thinking of taking time between undergraduate and graduate school. May I still apply?
Absolutely. We encourage all Truman Scholars to defer the award for at least one year. Scholars have four years of automatic deferral and may have additional years of deferral upon request.

What if I win the Truman and another graduate fellowship?

You may defer the Truman or use it in conjunction with another scholarship. However, you may not receive more funds than the cost of education as stipulated by the institution. Truman funds can only be used to cover tuition, room and board, books up to $1000 and mandatory fees. Some other scholarships have conditions on whether they can be used with Truman - please check with them for details.

Are there any benefits for nominees who are not selected as Truman Scholars?

Most nominees who make a commitment to the competition and accept guidance from the Truman Faculty Representative will:

- Clarify their career goals;
- Get a better sense of the most appropriate graduate degree program for their interests;
- Become more aware of their strengths, interests, and ways to prepare for their career;
- Improve their writing skills and, if they become Finalists, enhance their interviewing skills;
- Get a head start in preparing applications for graduate education and scholarship competitions in the senior year; and
- Have an experience for learning and personal growth that is not normally possible in the classroom.

Get nominated

Different institutions have different guidelines for obtaining an institutional nomination. Some schools have a rigorous application process that can begin as early as the sophomore year. Other schools require early completion of the application or an interview. The Truman Foundation allows the institution to determine which practice works best for them. It is a good idea to check with your Faculty Rep early to find out about your institution's requirements

*The website also gives many helpful suggestions as to how to fill out the proposal and the Truman application. [http://www.truman.gov/]
The Udall Foundation Scholarship

The Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. 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 in order to strengthen Native nations, assist federal agencies and others to resolve environmental conflicts, and to encourage the continued use and appreciation of our nation’s rich resources.

Native American Congressional Internship

The Native American Congressional Internship Program provides American Indian and Alaska Native students with the opportunity to gain practical experience with the federal legislative process in order to understand first-hand the government-to-government relationship between Tribes and the federal government. The internship is funded by the Native Nations Institute for Leadership, Management, and Policy.

The Udall Internship honors the legacies of Morris Udall and Stewart Udall, whose careers had a significant impact on American Indian self-governance and health care, as well as the stewardship of public lands and natural resources.

About the Internship

Even as Native nations achieve greater levels of self-determination, Indian Country continues to be influenced by U.S. federal law and policy. The Udall Internship places students in Senate, House, and federal agency offices to learn firsthand how the U.S. government works with Native nations. Interns will gain a better understanding of the government-to-government relationship and how they can use this knowledge on behalf of their tribes.

What It Is

- A community of 12 American Indian and Alaska Native college, graduate, and law students who live and work in Washington, D.C., during the summer;
- Access to a network of American Indian professionals and alumni who work on behalf of tribal nations; and
- Housing, a living allowance, transportation to and from Washington, D.C., and an educational stipend of $1,200.

The Udall Foundation arranges placements for law students, graduate students, and undergraduates. Federal agencies, Senate and House offices that would like to host a Udall Intern should contact Jane Curlin, director, Education Programs, 520.901.8565.

Eligibility Requirements

Are you working toward positive solutions to issues that impact Indian country?

Have you demonstrated your commitment through involvement in American Indian organizations or communities?

Would you like to learn an insider’s view of federal Indian policy?
Are you committed to making a difference through civility and consensus building?
Consider the Udall Internship. Interns are selected on the basis of

- Commitment to a career related to tribal public policy or supporting tribal communities;
- Leadership, public service, integrity, and consensus building;
- Knowledge and skills applicable to a federal agency or congressional office;
- Academic achievement; and
- An understanding of the Udall legacy, demonstrated through the application essay.

**About the Internship - Summer in Washington D.C.**

**What You’ll Do**

- Full-time work in a federal agency or congressional office.
- Broaden your knowledge of the laws and policies that affect tribal communities.
- Meet with elected officials, staff at American Indian advocacy and public interest organizations, and American Indian professionals in Washington, D.C..
- Get to know your fellow Udall Interns and extend your network while exploring our nation’s capital.

**Where You’ll Live**

- South Hall Residence Hall, George Washington University, in the heart of the Foggy Bottom district.
- Suite arrangements: private bedrooms, shared bathrooms and common space.
- Access to the metro, stores, and restaurants.

**What You’ll Learn**

- How federal Indian policy is made and implemented.
- How the business of governing is done through the office of a Representative, Senator, or federal agency.
- How other Native nations address self-governance and development.

**Udall Undergraduate Scholarship**

The Udall Foundation awards scholarships to college sophomores and juniors for leadership, public service, and commitment to issues related to American Indian nations or to the environment.
The Udall scholarship honors the legacies of Morris Udall and Stewart Udall, whose careers had a significant impact on American Indian self-governance, health care, and the stewardship of public lands and natural resources.

**About the Scholarship**

The Udall Scholarship provides

- Access to the Udall Alumni Network: an association of environmental and tribal leaders and public servants sharing innovative ideas, professional advice, and job and internship opportunities.
- Four days in Tucson, Arizona, at Scholar Orientation: extending your professional network, meeting other scholars and alumni, and learning new skills.
- Up to $5,000 for eligible academic expenses.
Tribal Policy
• Are you American Indian or Alaska Native?
• Are you a college sophomore or junior?
• Are you interested in furthering tribal sovereignty and nation building?
• Have you demonstrated your commitment to Indian country through participation in cultural activities and service to your community?
• Are you working towards a career that will enable you to make a difference for your tribe or for American Indians and Alaska Natives?
If so, you should apply to be a tribal public policy scholar.

Native Health Care
• Are you American Indian or Alaska Native?
• Are you a college sophomore or junior?
• Are you interested in improving health care practice and delivery in Indian country, or contributing to health care policy and research?
• Have you demonstrated your commitment to Indian country through participation in cultural activities and service to your community?
• Are you working towards a career that will enable you to impact health care for your tribe or for American Indians and Alaska Natives?
If so, you should apply to be a Native health care scholar.

• Are you a college sophomore or junior?
• Are you interested in conservation, environmental stewardship, or environmental policy?
• Have you demonstrated your commitment to the environment through participation in campus activities or service to your community?
• Are you working towards a career that will enable you to address environmental issues on a local, national, or global scale?
If so, you should apply to be an Environmental scholar.

About the Scholarship - Who Should Apply
• Are you working towards positive solutions to environmental challenges or to issues impacting Indian country?
• Have you demonstrated your commitment to one of these areas through public service?
• Do you inspire and motivate others to take action?
• Are you committed to making a difference through civility and consensus building?

Consider the Udall Scholarship. To learn more, click on the category below that best fits your interests and goals.

Udall Scholars are selected on the basis of:
• Commitment to a career related to the environment, or to tribal public policy, or to American Indian health care;
• Leadership, public service, consensus building, and integrity;
• Academic achievement
• An understanding of the Udall legacy, demonstrated through the application essay.
About the Scholarship - Scholarship Orientation

The Scholar Orientation is a four-day conference held each August in Tucson, Arizona, for all new Udall Scholars. Scholars work together on a case study, learn new ways to collaborate, and build community with each other, Udall Alumni, and professionals working on environmental and tribal issues. Scholar Orientation will be August 5-9, 2015. All 2015 Scholars are required to attend.

Scholars may also attend an optional Nation Building workshop conducted by the Native Nations Institute. All scholars, whether your focus is the environment, tribal public policy, or health care, will gain new skills and perspectives.

Travel, lodging, and meals are provided by the Udall Foundation.

Apply - How to Apply

Step 1: Determine if the Udall Scholarship is right for you. Review About the Scholarship and Who Should Apply pages.

Step 2: Find your Faculty rep. Only your school’s Udall faculty representative can give you access to the online application. Contact your faculty rep today; many schools have internal deadlines up to six months earlier than the Udall Foundation’s submission deadline of 3/4/2015.

Step 3: Review the sample application. The Udall Scholarship is a highly competitive award; start now so that you can prepare the best application possible. Work closely with your faculty rep as you revise your application.

Step 4: Request your letters of recommendation and transcripts. Visit our FAQs to learn more.

Step 5: Revise, revise, and revise. Visit Advice and Guidance for additional information.

*Please see the website for more details and information on how to apply.*