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# SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCE GUIDE

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## FORSYTH INSTITUTE SCIENTIFIC SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Forsyth Institute Scientific Scholars Program was created in 1993 to provide students with exposure to the exciting and rewarding world of scientific research. It provides opportunities for high school students from socio-economic backgrounds or population groups under-represented in the sciences to work side-by-side in the laboratory with world-renowned scientists engaged in cutting edge research.

### Criteria:

Interested candidates must:

- Be a Boston public high school student (Non-Boston, non-public high school students are encouraged to apply to the summer internship in an unpaid/volunteer position. Please note at this time the program is not able to offer housing or transportation to non-Boston residents).
- Have a strong B average in all subjects and a real interest in science.
- Be able to present research findings at a public poster presentation in September.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-May of each year.

**How to Apply:** You can obtain an online application at [www.forsyth.org/pdf/EOPSummerInternshipApplication.pdf](http://www.forsyth.org/pdf/EOPSummerInternshipApplication.pdf) or contact:

Dr. Martin Taubman  
The Forsyth Institute  
140 The Fenway  
Boston, MA 02115

Tel: 617.892.8314

Email: [mtaubman@forsyth.org](mailto:mtaubman@forsyth.org)

## NHLBI RESEARCH TRAINING PROGRAMS — SUMMER PROGRAMS IN BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

The goal of the Summer Research Programs at the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) is to expose students to research investigation in a highly enriched environment that is devoted exclusively to biomedical research and training. The Summer Internship Program is open to high school students. Participants join a research laboratory for a minimum of ten weeks between June and August and conduct research in selected areas of investigation under the guidance of an NHLBI intramural research scientist.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria for the training program are:

- Be either a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
- Be currently enrolled full-time in high school with a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- High school students should be at least 16 years of age prior to June 1.

**Amount:** Monthly stipends range from \$1,300- \$1,900.

**Application Date:** November 15-March 1.

**How to Apply:** Applications must be submitted online. To obtain an application go to [www.training.nih.gov/student/sip](http://www.training.nih.gov/student/sip).



## NIDA SUMMER RESEARCH PROGRAM

The Summer Research Program with the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) is part of the Research Supplements for Underrepresented Minorities (“minority supplements”) program, and it is designed to introduce underrepresented minority high school students to drug abuse research through research placements with some of our most distinguished scientists. Students work with the investigators for 8 to 10 weeks during the summer. The experience may include formal courses, participation in meetings, data collection activities, data analysis, laboratory experiments, manuscript preparation, and library research. The program exposes students to drug abuse research and encourages them to pursue careers in biomedical and behavioral research.

### Criteria:

- Be from a racial/ethnic background that is recognized as underrepresented in the fields of biomedical and behavioral science, including Hispanics, African Americans, Asian/Pacific Islanders, and American Indians/Alaska Natives.
- Be currently enrolled in high school and in good academic standing.
- Be at least 15 years of age and citizens or permanent residents of the United States (no exceptions). Applicants under the age of 18 can be placed only at research sites within daily commuting distance of their home.

**Amount:** Students will receive stipends for the summer based on the rate agreed upon with each research site, not to exceed \$8.00 per hour for high school students (for a maximum stipend of \$3,200 for 10 weeks).

**Application Date:** Typically mid-March of each year.

**How to Apply:** For information on how to apply go to [www.drugabuse.gov/pdf/sposummer.pdf](http://www.drugabuse.gov/pdf/sposummer.pdf). Please refer to the application form for mailing information and other details.

## NIH SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM IN BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

The Summer Internship Program (SIP) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) provides an opportunity to spend the summer working side-by-side with some of the leading scientists in the world in an environment devoted exclusively to biomedical research. The NIH consists of the new 240-bed Mark O. Hatfield Clinical Research Center and more than 1200 laboratories located on the main campus in Bethesda, MD as well as in Baltimore and Frederick, MD; Research Triangle Park, NC; Phoenix, AZ; Hamilton, MT; and Detroit, MI. For trainees on the main campus, the Office of Intramural Training & Education sponsors a wide range of summer activities including a lecture series featuring distinguished NIH investigators, informal lunchtime talks on training for research careers, and a trainee poster day. The office also makes available information about housing in the area. The NIH provides additional opportunities such as the Science in the Cinema series.

### Criteria:

- Candidates must be enrolled at least half-time in an accredited U.S. high school.
- Candidates must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents and at least 16 years of age at the time they begin the program.

**Amount:** The stipends for trainees are adjusted yearly, with supplements for prior experience. The award amounts range between \$1,700 and \$3,100. For details, see the Trainee Stipend page at [www.training.nih.gov/stipends.asp#app5](http://www.training.nih.gov/stipends.asp#app5). Awards cover a minimum of eight weeks, with students generally arriving at the NIH in May or June.

**Application Date:** Applications are accepted from mid-November to March 1 of each year.

**How to Apply:** Prospective candidates must apply online. To apply go to [www.training.nih.gov/student/sip/](http://www.training.nih.gov/student/sip/).

## STARLAB SUMMER SCIENCE PROGRAM

The StarLab Summer Program is a six-week program designed to encourage under-represented minorities to consider pursuing careers in the public health sciences. Annually the program targets between 40-50 junior high and high school students enrolled in metro-Atlanta schools. The program is conducted in collaboration with the National Organization for the Advancement of Black Chemists and Chemical Engineers (NOBBChE), the Minority Health Professions Foundation (MHPF), and scientists from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). During the program, students are exposed to laboratory demonstrations, and hands-on laboratory experiments on selected topics in chemistry, biology, medical technology and engineering. Students are able to network/interact with minority scientists from local colleges, agencies and laboratories. In addition to completing laboratory demonstrations, students are placed in groups where they conduct a laboratory experiments. The culminating event for the program is a group presentation on the findings from their laboratory research.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria for this program are:

- Be a student belonging to a member of a minority group.
- Have completed the 6th, 7th, 8th, or 9th grade at the time of selection.
- Have a GPA of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale.
- Be recommended by a science teacher.

**Amount:** Students receive a stipend for school supplies and meals are provided daily.

### Application Date:

- Returning students April 15.
- New students April 23.

**How to Apply:** For the application please go to <http://minorityhealth.org/pdf/SL.pdf>.

For more information, please contact Erica Brantley at [ebrantley@minorityhealth.org](mailto:ebrantley@minorityhealth.org).

## ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE (AWIS)

AWIS is an organization for women and girls in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. The AWIS Educational Foundation was established by AWIS in 1974, with funding provided by contributions from members. About 2-5 AWIS scholarships are awarded to high school seniors each year.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria are:

- Female students who are high school seniors and plan to study science in the next academic year.
- U.S. citizens or permanent residents who plan to attend a college or university in the United States.
- A 3.75 high school grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) and a math plus verbal SAT score of at least 1200, or an ACT composite score of 25.

**Amount:** Award amounts are \$1,000.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-January of each year.

**How to Apply:** The college scholarship application forms can be obtained at [www.awis.org/careers/edfoundation.html#ungradform](http://www.awis.org/careers/edfoundation.html#ungradform). You must use these forms. The application includes a summary form, an essay must be submitted describing research experience, scientific interests, career aspirations, two recommendation letters from science teachers or research advisers, a high school transcript, and reports of standardized test scores if available. Send the application to:

AWIS Educational Foundation College Scholarship  
Barbara Filner, Ph.D., President  
7008 Richard Drive  
Bethesda, MD 20817-4838

## BARBARA JORDAN HEALTH POLICY SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation established the Barbara Jordan Health Policy Scholars Program in partnership with Howard University, to honor the legacy of former Foundation Trustee and Congresswoman Barbara Jordan and to expand the pool of students in the field of health policy who are interested in issues affecting racial and ethnic minority and underserved communities. As a member of the United States Congress and the Texas State Legislature, Barbara Jordan's distinguished career was exemplified by her tireless advocacy on behalf of vulnerable populations. She brought this passion to her work, inspiring others to become involved in addressing challenging health policy issues.

### Criteria:

Eligible candidates must:

- Be U.S. citizens who will be seniors or recent graduates of an accredited U.S. college or university in the fall of 2007.
- Be a member of a population that is adversely affected by racial or ethnic disparities in health; and
- Have experience working in or with programs that address health issues disproportionately affecting racial and ethnic minorities or underserved communities (e.g. local health departments, community health centers, inner city/rural hospitals or organizations that conduct research on or develop policy related to health or healthcare disparities) or have done previous academic work (e.g. taken courses, written papers or participated in research projects) related to health disparities.

**Amount:** Award amounts are approximately \$7,500 which includes: A stipend of \$2,000 upon completion of the program; a daily expense allowance for meals and local transportation; transportation/airfare to and from Washington, D.C.; and lodging at Howard University in Washington, D.C.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-December of each year.

**How to Apply:** Application materials are available online at [www.bjscholars.org](http://www.bjscholars.org). For information about the Scholars Program, please email: [bjscholarsinfo@kff.org](mailto:bjscholarsinfo@kff.org). If you have questions about the application process, please contact the Barbara Jordan Health Policy Scholars Program Manager, Jomo Kassaye at (202) 238-2385 or [jzkassaye@howard.edu](mailto:jzkassaye@howard.edu).

## COCA-COLA SCHOLARS PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation works on behalf and at the direction of the entire Coca-Cola system to reinforce its legacy of community support while enhancing educational opportunities in the United States. This is done through scholarship awards and enrichment programs for young people who demonstrate, through academic excellence and leadership in their communities, their capacity for and commitment to making a difference in the world. This foundation supports the higher education of deserving high school seniors through the Coca-Cola Scholars Program with 50 National Coca-Cola Scholarships and 200 Regional Coca-Cola Scholarships.

### Criteria:

In order to be eligible for a Coca-Cola Scholarship, you must be:

- A CURRENT high school or home-schooled senior anticipating graduation from a school or program in the United States during the academic year in which application is submitted.
- A U.S. Citizen; U.S. National; U.S. Permanent Resident; Temporary Resident (legalization program); Refugee; Asylee; Cuban-Haitian Entrant; or Humanitarian Parolee.
- Planning to pursue a degree at an accredited U.S. post-secondary institution.
- Carrying a minimum 3.00 GPA at the end of your junior year of high school.

**Amount:** Award amounts are \$20,000 for National Coca-Cola Scholarships and \$4,000 Regional Coca-Cola Scholarships.

**Application Date:** High school seniors, who have not yet graduated, must submit initial applications between September 1 and October 31 of his/her senior year in high school.

**How to Apply:** You can apply online at [www.coca-colascholars.org/cokeWeb/jsp/scholars/FourYearInstructions.jsp](http://www.coca-colascholars.org/cokeWeb/jsp/scholars/FourYearInstructions.jsp).

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation  
 Post Office Box 442  
 Atlanta, Georgia 30301-0442  
 Tel: 1.800.306.2653 (COKE)

## DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY—PFLAG (PARENTS, FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF LESBIANS AND GAYS) SCHOLARSHIP FOR SCIENCE OR ENGINEERING

PFLAG Scholarships provide an important, positive opportunity for young people often coping in an adverse school environment. Scholarships are available at the national level and also are awarded by many of the local chapters. Youth can receive both awards if eligible.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria are:

- Be a graduating high school senior entering higher education for the first time in the fall.
- Self identify as either a gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender person, or as a supporter of gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender people.
- Demonstrate an interest in service to the LGBT community.
- Have applied to an accredited higher education institution in pursuit of either an associate's degree leading to transfer credits towards a bachelor's degree, or a bachelor's degree program at a four-year college.

**Amount:** Award amounts are between \$1,000 to \$2,500.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-February of each year.

**How to Apply:** Scholarship program applications can be obtained at [http://pflag.org/Scholarship\\_Programs.scholarships.0.html](http://pflag.org/Scholarship_Programs.scholarships.0.html).

PFLAG National Office  
1726 M Street, NW, Suite 400  
Washington, D.C. 20036

Tel: 202.467.8180

Fax: 202.467.8194

Email: [info@pflag.org](mailto:info@pflag.org)

## EDUCATION IS FREEDOM (EIF) FOUNDATION

EIF was founded by Mr. Jim Keyes on the principle that every young person deserves the opportunity for a higher education. EIF strives to remove obstacles to college by providing assistance to students who demonstrate academic promise and leadership, but require guidance to go to college. EIF is fundamentally affecting the success of urban youth and their pursuit of a higher education through a two-tiered program targeted at both the national and local levels.

EIF is a national scholarship program targeted to “B” average students. Award recipients are hardworking high school seniors who show academic promise but do not qualify for traditional academic scholarships and lack the financial resources to pay for college.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria are:

- U.S. residency for one year at time of application.
- Current U.S. high school senior.
- First-time enrollment in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited 2 or 4-year college or university.

**Amount:** Awards amounts are \$2,000 per year.

**Application Date:** Between November 15 and January 31 of each year.

**How to Apply:** Electronic applications can be obtained at [www.educationisfreedom.org/scholarships/scholarships.asp](http://www.educationisfreedom.org/scholarships/scholarships.asp). Only electronic application submissions will be accepted.

Education Is Freedom  
2711 North Haskell Avenue  
Dallas, TX 75204  
Tel: 1.866.EIF.EDUCATE

## ELIE WIESEL FOUNDATION FOR HUMANITY

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

### Criteria:

Students are eligible to enter the contest if:

- They are registered undergraduate full-time juniors or seniors at accredited four-year colleges or universities in the United States during the fall semester.
- They fulfill the guideline requirements and are studying abroad during the academic year for which they are applying to, as long as they are registered as full-time juniors or seniors at their home schools in the U.S.
- They are international or non-citizen students who fill the guideline requirements and are attending schools in the U.S.

**Amount:** First Prize – \$5,000; Second Prize – \$2,500;  
Third Prize – \$1,500; Two Honorable Mentions – \$500 each.

**Application Date:** Typically in December of each year.

**How to Apply:** Please complete the submission checklist on the entry form found at [www.eliewieselfoundation.org/](http://www.eliewieselfoundation.org/) and send all materials together to:

The Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics  
The Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity  
555 Madison Avenue, 20th Floor  
New York, NY 10022  
Tel: 212.490.7788

## FORD MOTOR COMPANY FUND – SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Ford Motor Company Fund High School Scholarship Program is designed to assist graduating high school seniors of Hispanic heritage nationwide obtain a bachelor's degree.

### Criteria:

To apply for a Scholarship, students must:

- Be a U.S. Citizen or a legal permanent resident with permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551 (not expired).
- Be a graduating high school senior.
- Have plans to enroll full-time in a degree-seeking program at a four-year accredited U.S. college or university in the U.S., Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands or Guam the upcoming academic year.

**Amount:** Award amounts are \$2,500.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-December of each year.

**How to Apply:** To apply you can download an application form at [www.hsf.net/scholarships.aspx?id=482](http://www.hsf.net/scholarships.aspx?id=482) or write to:

HSF/ Ford Motor Company Fund Scholarship Program  
Hispanic Scholarship Fund  
55 Second Street, Suite 1500  
San Francisco, CA 94105



## GATES MILLENNIUM SCHOLARS (GMS)

The Gates Millennium Scholars (GMS) program, funded by a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, was established in 1999 to provide outstanding low income African American, American Indian/Alaska Natives, Asian Pacific Islander American, and Hispanic American students with an opportunity to complete an undergraduate college education in any discipline area of interest. The goal of GMS is to promote academic excellence by providing thousands of outstanding students, who have significant financial need, the opportunity to reach their full potential.

### Criteria:

Students are eligible to be considered for a GMS scholarship if they:

- Are a citizen/legal permanent resident or national of the United States.
- Have attained a cumulative GPA of 3.3 on a 4.00 scale (un-weighted) at the time of nomination.
- Have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular or other activities.

**Amount:** TBD.

**Application Date:** Typically in January of each year.

**How to Apply:** To apply you can download an application form at [www.gmsp.org](http://www.gmsp.org) or request an application by calling or writing to:

Gates Millennium Scholars

P.O. Box 10500

Fairfax, VA 22031-8044

Toll-free: 1.877.690.4677

## NIDA SUMMER RESEARCH PROGRAM

The Summer Research Program with the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) is part of the Research Supplements for Underrepresented Minorities (“minority supplements”) program, and it is designed to introduce underrepresented minority undergraduate students to drug abuse research through research placements with some of our most distinguished scientists. Students work with the investigators for 8 to 10 weeks during the summer. The experience may include formal courses, participation in meetings, data collection activities, data analysis, laboratory experiments, manuscript preparation, and library research. The program exposes students to drug abuse research and encourages them to pursue careers in biomedical and behavioral research.

### Criteria:

- Be from a racial/ethnic background that is recognized as underrepresented in the fields of biomedical and behavioral science, including Hispanics, African Americans, Asian/Pacific Islanders, and American Indians/Alaska Natives.
- Be currently enrolled in college and in good academic standing.
- Be at least 15 years of age and citizens or permanent residents of the United States (no exceptions). Applicants under the age of 18 can be placed only at research sites within daily commuting distance of their home.

**Amount:** Students will receive stipends for the summer based on the rate agreed upon with each research site, not to exceed \$10.00 per hour for undergraduate students (for a maximum stipend of \$4,000 for 10 weeks).

**Application Date:** Typically mid-March of each year.

**How to Apply:** For information on how to apply go to [www.drugabuse.gov/pdf/sposummer.pdf](http://www.drugabuse.gov/pdf/sposummer.pdf). Please refer to the application form for mailing information and other details.

## NIH UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (UGSP)

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Undergraduate Scholarship Program (UGSP) offers competitive scholarships to students from disadvantaged backgrounds who are committed to careers in biomedical, behavioral, and social science health-related research.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria for the scholarship programs are:

- Be a U.S. citizen, national, or qualified noncitizen.
- Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a full-time student for the 2007-2008 academic year at an accredited, 4-year undergraduate institution.
- Be from a disadvantaged background. Disadvantaged background means that your financial aid office has certified you as having “exceptional financial need.”
- Have a 3.5 GPA or higher (on a 4.0 scale) or be within the top 5 percent of your class.

**Amount:** Award amounts are up to \$20,000 per academic year.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-March of each year.

**How to Apply:** Students are encouraged to apply online at [www.ugsp.nih.gov](http://www.ugsp.nih.gov). In addition to the online application, this Web site contains detailed information on the UGSP, as well as downloadable application forms.

## RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES/ HISPANIC AMERICAN COMMITMENT TO EDUCATION RESOURCES

Local Chapters of Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC), with support from RMHC Global offer scholarships to students from communities who face limited access to educational and career opportunities. These scholarships are part of RMHC's ongoing commitment to education.

### Criteria:

To apply for a RMHC National Scholarship, students must:

- Be a high school senior.
- Be eligible to attend a two- or four-year college or university with a full course of study.
- Reside in a participating local Chapter's geographic area.
- Submit a complete application and all required documentation by the deadline.

**Amount:** TBD.

**Application Date:** Typically in the fall each year.

**How to Apply:** To download an application go to [www.rmhc.org/rmhc/index/programs/rmhc\\_scholarship\\_program.html](http://www.rmhc.org/rmhc/index/programs/rmhc_scholarship_program.html).

Ronald McDonald House Charities

One Kroc Drive

Oak Brook, IL 60523

Tel: 630.623.7048

Fax: 630.623.7488

## SCIENCE UNDERGRADUATE LABORATORY INTERNSHIPS (SULI)

This program places students in paid internships in Science and Engineering at any of several Department of Energy facilities. Many of the participants in the program have decided on a career in science and engineering because of the nature of the experience. Selected students work with scientists or engineers on projects related to the laboratories' research programs. Students are required to participate for the full term of the program.

### Criteria:

To be eligible, applicants:

- Must be currently enrolled full time as an undergraduate student and completed at least one college semester. Students who will complete their undergraduate degree prior to starting their internship may apply as Graduating Seniors.
- Must be 18 years or older at the start of the program.
- Must be a U. S. citizen or permanent resident.
- Must have earned a high school diploma or GED.
- Can participate in a maximum of two SULI internships.
- Must have coverage under a health insurance plan.

**Amount:** The stipend is \$400.00 per week. Housing allowances, transportation, and stipends are offered to participants at all the laboratories.

**Application Date:** On-line application opens:

- At the beginning of May for the fall internship.
- At the beginning of September for the spring internship.
- At the beginning of October for the summer internship.

First day labs will begin making internship selections: \*

- At the beginning of July for the fall internship.
- At the beginning of October for the spring internship.
- At the beginning of February for the summer internship.

*\* Students may continue to complete and submit applications after the labs begin making selections for internships; however, applications submitted after this date may never be read by the lab.*

**How to Apply:** For information on how to apply go to [www.scied.science.doe.gov/scied/erulf/about.html](http://www.scied.science.doe.gov/scied/erulf/about.html). Early submission of the completed application is strongly encouraged.



## STATE FARM INSURANCE HISPANIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

State Farm Companies Foundation has assisted Hispanic college students through its relationship with the Hispanic Scholarship Fund since 1990.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria for the scholarship programs are:

- Be of Hispanic heritage.
- Be enrolled as a full-time student at an accredited, 4-year undergraduate institution.

**Amount:** Award amounts are \$2,500.

**Application date:** Typically mid-October of each year.

**How to Apply:** To obtain an application and selection criteria, please contact the Hispanic Scholarship Fund at:

Hispanic Scholarship Fund  
55 Second Street, Suite 1500  
San Francisco, CA 94105

Tel: 1.877.HSF.INFO (1.877.473.4636)

Web: [www.statefarm.com/foundation/hispanic.htm](http://www.statefarm.com/foundation/hispanic.htm)



## UNITED HEALTH FOUNDATION LATINO HEALTH SOLUTIONS PROGRAM

The United Health Foundation Latino Health Solutions Program awards scholarships to increase the number of qualified, yet underrepresented, Spanish speaking bicultural students entering the health workforce. The Foundation believes that the development of health professionals from diverse, multicultural backgrounds will help improve the quality of culturally-proficient health care, close the health disparities gap and improve health outcomes long term.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria for the scholarship program are:

- Be accepted and enrolled into an approved health care program at a university, community college or accredited technical college.
- Other qualifications to be determined.

**Amount:** TBD.

**Application Date:** TBD.

**How to Apply:** For more information go to [www.uhclatino.com](http://www.uhclatino.com).

## AMERICAN GEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE (AGI) MINORITY PARTICIPATION PROGRAM GEOSCIENCE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Since 1972, the American Geological Institute (AGI) has administered the Minority Participation Program Geoscience Student Scholarships. The goal of this program is to develop the professional corps of underrepresented ethnic-minority students in the geosciences. Recipients of AGI Geoscience Student Scholarships are provided with small financial awards and matched with a mentor from the geoscience community to foster whole professional development of the awardee. Each award will consist of scholarship support as well as support for professional development experiences for successful candidates. Professional development experiences that qualify include field camp, professional society memberships, and/or travel and registration to a professional meeting of one of AGI's member societies.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria for the scholarship programs are:

- U. S. citizens only. Permanent residents (green card) or applicants for U.S. citizenship are not eligible.
- Verifiable ethnic-minority status as Hispanic, Black, or Native American (American Indian, Eskimo, Hawaiian, or Samoan).
- Financial support is for full-time students only, with demonstrable financial need, who are currently enrolled in an accredited institution as an undergraduate or graduate student majoring (i.e., degree candidate) in geoscience, including the geoscience subdisciplines of geology, geophysics, geochemistry, hydrology, meteorology, physical oceanography, planetary geology, or earth-science education. This program does not support students in any other area of study.

**Amount:** Varies.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-May of each year.

**How to Apply:** For information on how to apply go to [www.agiweb.org/mpp/application.html](http://www.agiweb.org/mpp/application.html) or contact [mpp@agiweb.org](mailto:mpp@agiweb.org).

## CHICANA/LATINA SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarships are awarded to Chicana/Latina students with a minimum of 15 college units enrolled in community college, 4-year institutions or graduate school. Emphasis put on community service and plans to contribute to the Latino community.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria for the scholarship programs are:

- Chicana/Latina women who are enrolled in accredited colleges, universities and community colleges in one of the listed Northern California counties (Alameda, Sacramento, Solano, Contra Costa, San Francisco, Sonoma, Marin, San Mateo, Yolo, Monterey, Santa Clara, Napa, Santa Cruz).
- Undergraduate Chicana/Latina students must be enrolled as a full time college student, have completed a minimum of 15 college semester units after high school graduation, and have at least a 2.5 GPA.
- Graduate students must provide verification of acceptance to a graduate school.

**Amount:** Award amounts are \$1,500.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-March of each year.

**How to Apply:** The Scholarship Guidelines and Application are available in PDF format. To download the application, please go to [www.chicanalatina.org/scholarship/application.html](http://www.chicanalatina.org/scholarship/application.html).

Chicana/Latina Foundation  
Scholarship Committee  
1419 Burlingame Ave. Suite N.  
Burlingame, CA 94010

## CONGRESSIONAL HISPANIC CAUCUS INSTITUTE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus established the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute (CHCI) in 1978 as a non-partisan educational organization dedicated to developing the next generation of Latino leaders. CHCI's educational services are designed to provide Latino students with the tools and resources they need to attain a higher education.

### Eligibility criteria include:

- U.S. citizenship or legal permanent residency.
- Consistent active participation in public and/or community service activities.
- Demonstrated financial need.
- Good writing skills.
- Full-time enrollment in an accredited community college, four-year university, or graduate/professional program during the period for which scholarship is requested.

**Amount:** \$5,000 to attend a graduate-level academic institution; \$2,500 to attend a four-year academic institution; or \$1,000 to attend a community college or Associate's Degree granting institution. Undergraduate recipients will also receive a Dell notebook computer and Microsoft package.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-April of each year.

**How to Apply:** Electronic applications can be obtained at [www.chci.org/chciyouth/scholarship/scholarship.htm](http://www.chci.org/chciyouth/scholarship/scholarship.htm).

Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute  
911 2nd Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20002  
Tel: 202.543.1771  
Toll Free: 1.800.EXCEL.DC  
Fax: 202.546.2143

## HISPANIC COLLEGE FUND (HCF)

The Hispanic College Fund (HCF) provides mentors, resources, and scholarships to talented and underprivileged Hispanic youth with vision. HCF's mission is to develop the next generation of Hispanic professionals through partnerships with business, government and foundations.

HCF awards scholarships based on both merit and financial need. HCF administers multiple scholarship programs including the Sallie Mae Fund's First in My Family Scholarship Program and the ALPFA Scholarship Program. Currently, HCF has programs available for high school seniors applying to college, and undergraduate students applying to graduate school.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria for HCF scholarship programs are:

- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident residing in the United States.
- Be studying full-time in the United States or Puerto Rico.
- Have a minimum GPA of a 3.0.

**Amount:** Varies.

**Application Date:** The application period opens in December and the deadline is March 15th.

**How to Apply:** To apply for HCF Scholarships you will be required to complete an online application, which includes at least one essay, letter of recommendation and resume. Visit their secure online application web site at <http://scholarships.hispanicfund.org/applications>.

The Hispanic College Fund  
1717 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 460  
Washington, DC 20006

Toll-free: 1.800.644.4223

Tel: 202.296.5400

Fax: 202.296.3774

Email: [hcf-info@hispanicfund.org](mailto:hcf-info@hispanicfund.org)

Web: [www.hispanicfund.org](http://www.hispanicfund.org)



## HISPANIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND (HSF)

The Hispanic Scholarship Fund (HSF) vision is to strengthen the country by advancing college education among Hispanic Americans. In support of its mission, HSF provides scholarships and educational outreach support to Latinos from all 50 states, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria for the scholarship programs are:

- Have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent).
- Be a U.S. citizen OR legal permanent resident with a valid permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551.
- Be pursuing or plan to pursue your first undergraduate or graduate degree.
- Apply for federal financial aid using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Be enrolled or plan to enroll full-time as an undergrad or graduate student in a degree seeking program at a U.S. accredited institution in the U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, or Guam.

**Amount:** Awards range from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

**Application Date:** Applications are available starting on August 1.

**How to Apply:** Scholarship applications are available at [www.hsf.net/scholarships.aspx?id=34](http://www.hsf.net/scholarships.aspx?id=34). Please email questions to [highschool@hsf.net](mailto:highschool@hsf.net).

Hispanic Scholarship Fund  
55 Second Street, Suite 1500  
San Francisco, CA 94105

Tel: 415.808.2376

Web: <http://www.hsf.net>

## HOWARD HUGHES MEDICAL INSTITUTE (HHMI)

The Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) funds initiatives with the power to transform undergraduate and graduate education by engaging students in discovery research. The Medical Fellows Program supports a year of full time biomedical research training for medical, dental, and veterinary students. The HHMI-NIH Research Scholars Program, also known as the Cloister Program, gives outstanding students at U.S. medical schools the opportunity to receive research training at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD.

### Criteria:

To be eligible candidates must:

- Be enrolled in a U.S. medical, dental, or veterinary school.
- Apply during any year of their studies.
- There are no citizenship requirements for application, but those who are not U.S. citizens must have and maintain an appropriate visa.

**Amount:** A stipend of \$27,000 for the fellowship year. HHMI provides funds to the fellowship institution, which in turn pays the stipend to the fellow.

**Application Date:** Typically in January of each year.

**How to Apply:** To complete the application go to [www.hhmi.org/competitions](http://www.hhmi.org/competitions). For more information on the programs go to [www.hhmi.org/grants/individuals/medfellows.html](http://www.hhmi.org/grants/individuals/medfellows.html) or contact:

Office of Grants and Special Programs  
4000 Jones Bridge Road  
Chevy Chase, MD 20815-6789

Tel: 800.448.4882, ext. 8889

Email: [fellows@hhmi.org](mailto:fellows@hhmi.org)

Web: [www.hhmi.org/medstudent](http://www.hhmi.org/medstudent)

## INTRAMURAL NIAID RESEARCH OPPORTUNITES (INRO)

The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) seeks to identify, train, and mentor talented students from populations underrepresented in the biomedical sciences, who are interested in exploring career opportunities in allergy, immunology, and infectious diseases. The Intramural NIAID Research Opportunities (INRO) program will introduce students to research and training opportunities in NIAID's Division of Intramural Research (DIR). Students participating in the 5-day INRO program will learn about the basic and clinical research that is conducted within DIR and meet many of the more than 120 investigators who work in the laboratories located in Maryland and Montana.

### Criteria:

- Students interested in a research training program (summer internship, postbaccalaureate, postdoctoral, or medical student year-off traineeships) in allergy, immunology, or infectious diseases at one of the NIAID sites: Bethesda, Maryland; Rockville, Maryland; or the Rocky Mountain Laboratories at Hamilton, Montana.
- Full-time students attending an accredited U.S. college or university.
- Students must be in good academic standing. Preference is given to students with a grade point average of 3.5 or above in science coursework.
- U.S. Citizen or permanent resident residing in the United States, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or Guam, or a I-551 stamp in their passport. Proof of citizenship or residency may be requested.
- Member of an underrepresented population OR financially disadvantaged.

**Amount:** The Office of Training and Diversity will provide all meals, hotel, and local and long-distance transportation costs for all INRO students.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-October of each year.

**How to Apply:** For information on how to apply to the INRO program go to [www3.niaid.nih.gov/labs/training/inro/programDescription.htm](http://www3.niaid.nih.gov/labs/training/inro/programDescription.htm).

## NEUROSCIENCE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Neuroscience Scholars Program (NSP) of the Society for Neuroscience is a three-year fellowship designed to enhance career development and professional networking opportunities for undergraduate, graduate, and postdoctoral minority students in neuroscience. The program, funded by the National Institute of Neurological Diseases and Stroke (NINDS), provides scholars with the opportunity to increase their number of professional contacts, to develop a network of lifelong contacts, to acquire the necessary skills to present work, and to be better equipped to advance their scientific careers.

### **Criteria:**

The minimum eligibility criteria are:

- Be citizens or permanent residents of the United States.
- Be enrolled in a degree-granting program. Past fellowship recipients are not eligible to apply.

**Amount:** TBD.

**Application Date:** Typically in June of each year.

**How to Apply:** For more information and to complete the application go to [www.sfn.org/index.cfm?pagename=NeuroscienceScholars\\_Main](http://www.sfn.org/index.cfm?pagename=NeuroscienceScholars_Main).

## NHLBI BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH TRAINING PROGRAM

The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) established the Biomedical Research Training Program for Individuals from Underrepresented Groups (BRTUG) to offer opportunities for underrepresented undergraduate, post-baccalaureate, and graduate students to receive training in fundamental biomedical sciences and clinical research disciplines. The program seeks to enhance career opportunities in biomedical and behavioral research, including clinical and laboratory medicine, epidemiology, and biostatistics as applied to the etiology and treatment of heart, blood vessel, lung, and blood diseases, and sleep disorders.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria for the training programs are:

- Be enrolled full-time in an accredited undergraduate institution, or graduate students enrolled full-time in an accredited academic institution, or recently completed post baccalaureate.
- Have completed academic training in course work relevant to biomedical, behavioral or statistical research.
- Have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) or Major GPA of 3.3 or better on a 4.0 scale, or 4.3 or better on a 5.0 scale.
- Be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

**Amount:** Trainees will receive a stipend that is prorated according to the time period the trainee is actually on-site. Stipends are based on student's academic classification beginning the next semester.

**Application Date:** For placements beginning in June of the calendar year or summer opportunities, NHLBI strongly encourages applicants to submit their application by January 15.

For Post-Baccalaureate 1-2 year research internships beginning in July-September of the calendar year, applications should be submitted by April 1.

**How to Apply:** To apply go to [www.nhlbi.nih.gov/funding/training/redbook/brtpug.htm](http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/funding/training/redbook/brtpug.htm) or contact:

Dr. Helena O. Mishoe  
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute  
Office of Minority Health Affairs  
6701 Rockledge Drive, Suite 8184, MSC 7913  
Bethesda, MD 20892-7913

Tel: 301.451.5081

Fax: 301.480.0862

## NIH SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM IN BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

The Summer Internship Program (SIP) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) provides an opportunity to spend the summer working side-by-side with some of the leading scientists in the world in an environment devoted exclusively to biomedical research. The NIH consists of the new 240-bed Mark O. Hatfield Clinical Research Center and more than 1200 laboratories located on the main campus in Bethesda, MD as well as in Baltimore and Frederick, MD; Research Triangle Park, NC; Phoenix, AZ; Hamilton, MT; and Detroit, MI. For trainees on the main campus, the Office of Intramural Training & Education sponsors a wide range of summer activities including a lecture series featuring distinguished NIH investigators, informal lunchtime talks on training for research careers, and a trainee poster day. The office also makes available information about housing in the area. The NIH provides additional opportunities such as the Science in the Cinema series.

### Criteria:

- Candidates must be enrolled at least half-time in an accredited U.S. college, or university, or an accredited U.S. medical/dental school.
- Candidates must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents and at least 16 years of age at the time they begin the program.

**Amount:** The stipends for trainees are adjusted yearly, with supplements for prior experience. The award amounts range between \$1,700 and \$3,100. For details, see the Trainee Stipend page at [www.training.nih.gov/stipends.asp#app5](http://www.training.nih.gov/stipends.asp#app5). Awards cover a minimum of eight weeks, with students generally arriving at the NIH in May or June.

**Application Date:** Applications are accepted from mid-November to March 1 of each year.

**How to Apply:** Prospective candidates must apply online. To apply go to [www.training.nih.gov/student/sip/](http://www.training.nih.gov/student/sip/).

## ORISE RESEARCH PARTICIPATION PROGRAMS AT THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC)

The Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) Research Participation Programs at the CDC are designed to provide a flow of scientists and engineers into the CDC to participate in current research and development activities and studies, and related technical projects. In addition, the program will link the CDC's technologies with the capabilities of the academic community. By supporting this program, the CDC will enhance the educational programs offered by academic institutions, strengthen the scientific and technical manpower base, transfer its knowledge and technology to the academic community, and support a growing national commitment to science education.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria are:

- An applicant for the postgraduate component must have received a college degree (bachelor's, master's, or doctorate) in an appropriate science or engineering discipline within three years of the desired starting date, or must expect to complete all requirements for such a degree prior to the desired starting date.
- An applicant for a student appointment must be enrolled in an accredited U.S. college, university, or technical institute, and in an academic program leading to an associate, baccalaureate, or graduate degree. Student applicants should be at least 18 years old and have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher (based on a scale where A = 4.0).
- An applicant for a faculty appointment must be a full-time faculty member at an accredited U.S. college or university.
- U.S. citizenship or permanent resident alien status is preferred for all appointments but is not required.

**Amount:** Stipend TBD.

**Application Date:** TBD.

**How to Apply:** An applicant interested in the ORISE Postgraduate, Student, or Faculty Research Participation Programs at the CDC may visit [www.ornl.gov/cdc/](http://www.ornl.gov/cdc/) or contact:

Tom Richmond, Program Manager

Tel: 865.576.2194

Fax: 865.241.5219

Email: [richmont@ornl.gov](mailto:richmont@ornl.gov)

## TYLENOL, MCNEIL CONSUMER & SPECIALTY PHARMACEUTICALS

The makers of Tylenol value academic excellence and recognize leadership contributions made by students in community and school activities.

### Criteria:

To apply for a Scholarship, applicants must:

- Be high school seniors or undergraduate and graduate students.
- Demonstrate leadership in community and school activities.
- Intend to major in areas that will lead to careers in health-related fields.

**Amount:** Award amounts are between \$1,000 to \$5,000.

**Application Date:** Typically end of September of each year.

**How to Apply:** Application can be submitted online at [www.tylenol.com/page.jhtml;jsessionid=EZWE1B0ZOBSS4CQPCCFSUY YKB2IIQNSC?id=tylenol/news/subptyschol.inc](http://www.tylenol.com/page.jhtml;jsessionid=EZWE1B0ZOBSS4CQPCCFSUY YKB2IIQNSC?id=tylenol/news/subptyschol.inc) or by writing to:

Tylenol Scholarship  
Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America, Inc.  
1505 Riverview Road  
P.O. Box 88  
St. Peter, MN 56082  
Tel: 800.534.4180



## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA) STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES, INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS

USDA's student opportunities are designed to combine academic studies with on-the-job training and experience and to give students an opportunity to work with USDA while completing their education. USDA provides undergraduate and graduate students with paid opportunities to serve as assistants to scientific, professional, administrative, and technical employees. USDA also provides opportunities for persons to fulfill their career goals through challenging internships that provide a path to permanent employment.

### **Criteria:**

The minimum eligibility criteria are:

- Students who complete a Bachelor's or Graduate degree from an accredited college or university or who will complete all of their requirements within six months, or who possess exceptional work experience may apply for the Career Intern Program.
- If applying based on education, you must have an overall college GPA of 3.0 or better.
- USDA's Career Intern Program accepts applicants from the following disciplines or careers: Biological Sciences, Agriculture, Natural Resources Management, Chemistry, Forestry, Entomology, Genetics, Microbiology, Botany, Zoology, Agronomy, Animal Science, Veterinary Medicine, Soil Conservation, Nutrition, Engineering, Computer Engineer, Computer Scientist, Computer Science Specialist, Statistics, Mathematics.

**Amount:** Varies.

**Application Date:** Career Intern Application may be downloaded from the Internet year round.

**How to Apply:** Information on opportunities will be available from USDA Recruiters who are at events such as college or university career fairs, and job fairs. Information on opportunities will also be available from USDA's Mission Area/Agency Career Intern Program Coordinators that are posted on the Internet at [www.usda.gov/da/employ/intern.htm](http://www.usda.gov/da/employ/intern.htm).

## AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY (AHRQ) – HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) provides an array of intramural and extramural predoctoral and postdoctoral educational and career development grants and opportunities in health services research. In addition, the Agency supports the development of health services research infrastructure in emerging centers of excellence and works with Federal and academic partners to develop innovative curricula and educational models.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria are:

- Candidates for predoctoral training grants must have a baccalaureate degree and be enrolled in a Ph.D. program or a program leading to an equivalent degree.
- Grants may not be used to support studies leading to an M.D.
- Candidates for postdoctoral training grants must have a Ph.D., M.D., D.D.S., Dr.P.H., Sc.D., D.N.Sc., or other doctoral degree.

**Amount:** Tuition benefits are provided, as well as stipends to help trainees defray living expenses during the research training experience

**Application Date:** Application receipt dates are May 1 and November 15, annually.

**How to Apply:** To find out more about the NRSA individual fellowships and training grants sponsored by AHRQ, obtain a list of institutions participating in the training grant program, or get more information about the Agency's dissertation grant program, contact:

Debbie Rothstein, Ph.D.

Office of Extramural Research, Education and Priority Populations

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

540 Gaither Road, Suite 2000

Rockville, MD 20850

Tel: 301.427.1525

Web: [www.ahcpr.gov/fund/minortrg.htm](http://www.ahcpr.gov/fund/minortrg.htm)

## ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE PRE-DOCTORAL AWARDS

About 5-10 AWIS graduate fellowships in the amount of \$1,000 are awarded each year. The four memorial awards are: (1) Joan Goodman Award, for an outstanding graduate student in the life or physical sciences, (2) Luise Meyer-Schuzmeister Award, for an outstanding graduate student in physics, (3) Amy Lutz Rechel Award, for an outstanding graduate student in the field of plant biology, (4) Diane H. Russell Award, for an outstanding graduate student in the field of biochemistry or pharmacology, and (5) Ruth Satter Award, for an outstanding graduate student who interrupted her education for at least 3 years to raise a family. AWIS may also award Citations of Merit (\$300).

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria for the scholarship programs are:

- Female students enrolled in a behavioral, life, physical, or social science or engineering program leading to a Ph.D. degree. See the detailed list in the application instructions to confirm eligibility of your field.
- Applicants who have passed their department's qualifying exam and expect to complete their degree by June 2010. (Satter award applicants are an exception and may apply at any time in their Ph.D program, including the first year.)
- Non-U.S. citizens must be enrolled in a Ph.D. program at a university in the United States.
- Previous applicants to this program may not reapply. Eligibility criteria are subject to change.

**Amount:** The award amounts are \$1,000.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-January of each year.

**How to Apply:** The award application forms may be obtained at [www.awis.org/careers/edfoundation.html](http://www.awis.org/careers/edfoundation.html) or by contacting:

Association for Women in Science  
1200 New York Ave., NW, Suite 650  
Washington, DC 20005

## MERCK INDEX WOMEN IN CHEMISTRY SCHOLARSHIPS

Merck established the Merck Index Women in Chemistry Scholarships in 2007 to encourage women to pursue advanced degrees in synthetic organic or medicinal chemistry.

### Criteria:

The minimum eligibility criteria for the scholarship program are:

- A woman accepted into and planning to attend a Ph.D. program in chemistry in the U.S. or Canada beginning in the fall semester. Students currently enrolled in a chemistry Ph.D. program are not eligible.
- Award recipients are expected to present a summary of undergraduate research at the ACS National Meetings.
- Research presented by the applicant must be original work in synthetic organic or medicinal chemistry.

**Amount:** \$5,000.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-March of each year.

**How to Apply:** To download an application go to [www.merckbooks.com/mindex/](http://www.merckbooks.com/mindex/). Applications can be sent electronically to [merck\\_index@merck.com](mailto:merck_index@merck.com) using the subject "Women in Chemistry Scholarship." Or mailed to:

Dr. Cherie B. Koch  
Associate Editor, The Merck Index  
Merck & Co., Inc.  
RY84-18  
P.O. Box 2000  
Rahway, NJ 07065

## NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING DISSERTATION AWARDS

The National Institute on Aging (NIA) announces the availability to support 6 to 8 annual dissertation awards in aging research for the purpose of increasing diversity in the research workforce. These awards are to be given to qualified predoctoral students in accredited research doctoral programs in the U.S., and are designed to stimulate the participation of individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups; individuals with disabilities; and individuals from socially, culturally, economically, or educationally disadvantaged backgrounds.

### Criteria:

You are eligible to apply for this award provided that:

- You are registered in an accredited research doctoral degree program.
- You are in good-standing in that program.
- You will have completed all non-dissertation requirements for your degree by the anticipated start date of the award (except a clinical internship where that is required to follow the dissertation phase).
- Your doctoral committee has approved your dissertation proposal;
- You are a U.S. citizen, non-citizen national (e.g., residents of U.S. territories), or permanent resident by the time of award.

**Amount:** Award amounts range from \$250,000 to \$300,000 per year.

**Application Date:** Typically mid-March and mid-November of each year.

**How to Apply:** To apply download an application form at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-06-117.html> or contact:

National Institute on Aging  
Gateway Building, Room 2C218  
7201 Wisconsin Avenue, MSC 9205  
Bethesda, MD 20892-9205  
Tel: 301.496.9322

## NEW YORK CITY BRANCH OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR MICROBIOLOGY

This award is open to graduate students in the biological sciences who are preparing for a laboratory career in microbiology and to medical students who are conducting microbiologic studies as part of their medical school training.

### Criteria:

To apply for a Scholarship, applicants must:

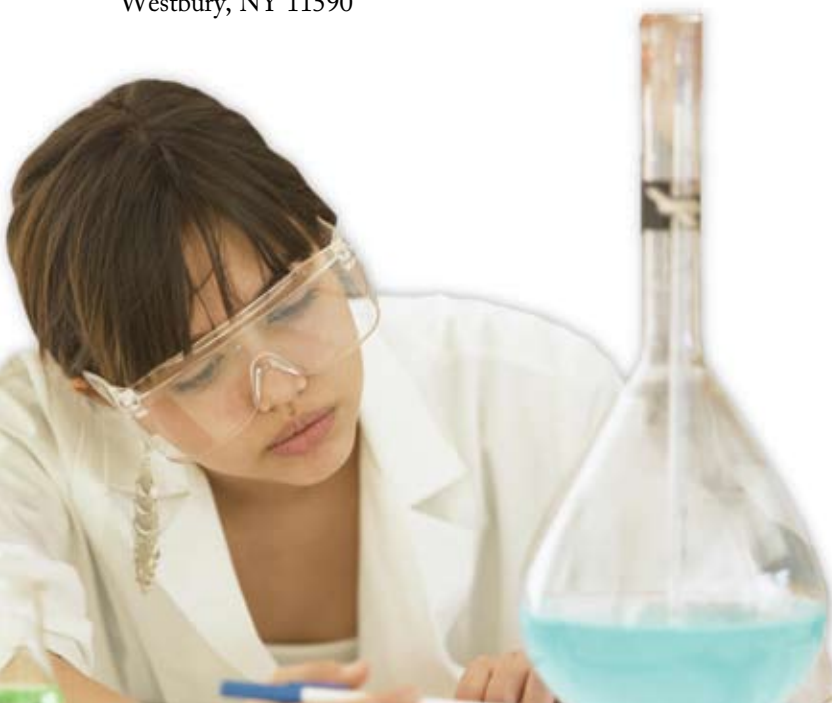
- Have recent or current involvement in a laboratory project or activity related to the diagnosis or investigation of infectious diseases.
- Be enrolled in an accredited educational institution in the U.S. at the time of the application.

**Amount:** \$1,500.

**Application Date:** Applications are reviewed in September, January and June.

**How to Apply:** To receive an application for the Dr. Marcelino F. Sierra Memorial Scholarship write to:

Dr. Marcelino F. Sierra Memorial  
Scholarship Fund  
P.O. Box 736  
Westbury, NY 11590



## NCMHD LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM

The National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NCMHD) offers educational loan repayment to qualified applicants through the Loan Repayment Program for Health Disparities Research (HDR-LRP), and the Extramural Clinical Research Loan Repayment Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds (ECR-LRP).

The HDR-LRP program provides an incentive for health professionals to engage in basic, clinical or behavioral research directly relevant to health disparities research. The program seeks to recruit and retain highly qualified health professionals in research careers that focus on minority health disparities research or research related to the medically underserved.

The ECR-LRP program provides an incentive for health professionals from disadvantaged backgrounds to conduct clinical research and an avenue for NIH to engage and promote the development of research programs that reflect the variety of issues and problems associated with disparities in health status.

### Criteria:

The minimum requirements as established by the NIH and NCMHD are:

- Doctoral degree from an accredited institution.
- Research must be funded by a domestic non-profit or U.S. Government (Federal, state or local) entity, and the individual must commit 50% or more of the total level of effort to the research.
- Educational debt — from qualifying types of student loans- must equal to at least 20 percent of recipient's "institutional base salary."
- Be a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or permanent resident.
- NIH LRPs are not available to full-time Federal government employees.
- Applicants under the ECR-LRP must demonstrate they come from a family below an income level annually established for assistance by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

**Amount:** Participants may receive up to a maximum of \$35,000 per year, depending on their outstanding education loan debt and other financial factors.

**Application Date:** The application cycle is open from September 1 through December 1 of every year.

**How to Apply:** The online application can be obtained from the Loan Repayment Program web site at [www.lrp.nih.gov](http://www.lrp.nih.gov). For more information about the NCMHD Loan Repayment Program please visit [http://ncmhd.nih.gov/our\\_programs/loanrepayprog.asp](http://ncmhd.nih.gov/our_programs/loanrepayprog.asp).

## NIH LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Loan Repayment Programs (LRPs) are a vital component of our nation's efforts to attract health professionals to careers in clinical, pediatric, health disparities, or contraception and infertility research. In exchange for a two to three-year commitment to conducting research, NIH will repay up to \$35,000 of recipient's qualified educational debt per year of program commitment.

### Criteria:

Minimum basic eligibility requirements for NIH loan repayment programs are:

- Doctoral degree from an accredited institution.
- Research must be funded by a domestic non-profit or U.S. Government (Federal, state or local) entity, and the individual must commit 50% or more of the total level of effort to the research.
- Educational debt - from qualifying types of student loans- must equal at least 20 percent of recipient's "institutional base salary."
- Be a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or permanent resident.
- NIH LRPs are not available to full-time Federal government employees.

**Amount:** NIH will repay up to \$35,000 annually of qualified educational debt for health professionals pursuing careers in a qualified area of research. The programs also provide coverage for Federal and state tax liabilities.

**Application Date:** The application cycle is open from September 1 through December 1 of every year.

**How to Apply:** To access the online application or for program information, please visit the LRP Web site at [www.lrp.nih.gov](http://www.lrp.nih.gov). For assistance call the Helpline at 866.849.4047 or send email inquiries to [lrp@nih.gov](mailto:lrp@nih.gov).











## The National Alliance for Hispanic Health

is the nation's foremost source of information and trusted advocate for the health of Hispanics in the United States. The Alliance represents thousands of Hispanic health providers across the nation providing services to more than 14 million each year, making a daily difference in the lives of Hispanic communities and families.



National Institute of Allergy  
and Infectious Diseases

**The Alliance's *Proyecto Ciencia***<sup>®</sup> is an initiative to foster new research, encourage the next generation of Hispanic scientists, and deliver to Hispanic communities the best in science for health decision-making. The *Proyecto Ciencia*<sup>®</sup> effort is funded jointly by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), and the National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NCMHD) of the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH). For more information about *Proyecto Ciencia*<sup>®</sup> go to [www.hispanichealth.org/ciencia](http://www.hispanichealth.org/ciencia).

**For more information**, visit the Alliance's Web site ([www.hispanichealth.org](http://www.hispanichealth.org)) or call the Alliance toll-free at 1.866.SU.FAMILIA (1.866.783.2645).