

Smith Scholars

As part of your Smith Scholars application, review these scholarship and fellowship opportunities, select one that is of most interest to you, and explain how it would help to support your academic and career trajectory. As part of the Smith Scholars program, you are expected to apply to at least one other funded opportunity before you complete your undergraduate degree.

Internal Opportunities

Diamond Research Scholars Program

Deadline: Early February

The Diamond Research Scholars Program provides Temple undergraduates the opportunity to engage in a focused, mentored research or creative arts project during the summer and fall. The program requires that students participate in the all-day Undergraduate Research Institute, devote ten weeks during the summer to develop a research project in their area of interest under the direction of their faculty mentor, and complete the project during the fall semester while registered for an independent study/research course. Students are paid a \$4,000 stipend for participation. (NOTE: If you select this option, give us an idea of your research interests in your response.)

Creative Arts, Research, and Scholarship Program (CARAS)

Deadline: For summer/fall, March 15; for spring, Oct. 15th; for travel grants, rolling

The Temple University Office of the Provost and the Deans of Temple University's Schools and Colleges are pleased to provide a funding opportunity to encourage and support undergraduate students engaged in scholarly, creative, and research projects that contribute to advancing their field of study. Research/Creative Project Grants provide undergraduate and professional students grants of up to \$4,000 in support of scholarly, research or creative arts projects undertaken with the supervision of a faculty mentor. The maximum Project Grant award is \$4,000. (NOTE: If you select this option, give us an idea of your research interests in your response.)

External Opportunities

Boren Scholarship (National Security Education Program--undergraduate)

Campus Deadline: January 20 annually

Campus Nomination Required

Campus Contact: Barbara Gorka, Fellowships Advising

Boren scholarships provide unique funding opportunities for U.S. undergraduates 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 scholars represent a vital pool of highly motivated individuals who wish to work in the federal national security arena in their future. In exchange for funding, Boren Scholars commit to working in the federal government for at least one year after graduation.

Critical Language Scholarship (CLS)

Deadline: Typically mid- to late November

With the goal of broadening the base of Americans studying and mastering critical languages and building relationships between the people of the United States and other countries, CLS provides opportunities to a diverse range of students from across the United States at every level of language learning. The CLS is a program of the U.S. Department of State and provides 10 weeks of intensive language study during the summer in a country in which the language is spoken. Undergraduates (including graduating seniors) and graduate students are eligible. (NOTE: If you select this scholarship,

be sure to review the CLS website and identify a language that makes sense for your academic and career trajectory.)

[Fulbright-MITACS Globalink](#)

Deadline: Late September

The Fulbright-MITACS Globalink program is intended for US Students interested in going to Canada to undertake advanced research projects for 10 to 12 weeks (between May and August) in their area of interest. Projects will be drawn from a broad cross-section of research topics covering all academic disciplines and students will be placed with a university research project and undertake research projects under the supervision of a professor. Students will be given the opportunity to take part in professional training as well as extensive opportunity for cultural, social, and recreational experiences.

[Fulbright US Student Program](#)

The Fulbright U.S. Student Program provides funding to conduct research or creative projects, pursue graduate study, or teach English abroad. Grant lengths and dates vary by country. Please consult the specific country summaries on the [Fulbright website for](#) details. Apply as a senior, recent graduate, or current graduate student. Smith students interested in applying for the Fulbright as a senior are expected to have gained teaching (for Fulbright English Teaching Assistantships) or research experience (for Fulbright study/research grants) by the start of their senior year.

[Benjamin Gilman International Scholarship](#)

Deadline: Two cycles per year. Check organization's website.

The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program offers grants for U.S. citizen undergraduate students of limited financial means to pursue academic studies or credit-bearing, career-oriented internships abroad. The program aims to encourage students to choose non-traditional study and intern destinations, especially those outside of Western Europe, Australia and New Zealand. The Gilman Scholarship Program aims to support students who have been traditionally under-represented in education abroad, including but not limited to, students with high financial need, community college students, students in underrepresented fields such as the sciences and engineering, students with diverse ethnic backgrounds, and students with disabilities. Award amounts will vary depending on the length of study and student need with the average award being approximately \$4,000 for fall and spring programs, and \$3,000 for summer programs.

[Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program](#)

Campus Deadline: November 15 annually

Campus Nomination Required

Campus Contact: Barbara Gorka, Fellowships Advising

The Barry Goldwater Scholarship Program was created to encourage outstanding students to pursue **research careers** in mathematics, the natural sciences, or engineering and to foster excellence in those fields. In awarding scholarships, the Foundation Board of Trustees will consider the nominated student's field of study and career objectives and the extent to which that individual has the commitment and potential to make a significant contribution to his or her field. Each scholarship covers eligible expenses for undergraduate tuition, fees, books, and room and board, up to a maximum of \$7,500 annually. It is expected that students selected as scholars will pursue advanced degrees. Students who plan to study medicine are eligible for a Goldwater Scholarship only if they plan a research career rather than a career as a practicing physician with emphasis on the clinical practice of medicine and patient care.

Leadership Alliance

Deadline: Typically early February

The Summer Research--Early Identification Program encourages students from groups traditionally underrepresented in the sciences, engineering, social sciences and humanities to pursue **research careers** in the academic, public, and private sectors. The SR-EIP provides undergraduates with summer training and mentoring in the principles underlying the conduct of research, and prepares them to pursue competitive applications to graduate school.

National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU)

Deadlines: Vary, but fall between late November and mid-February

NSF funds a large number of research opportunities for undergraduate students through its REU Sites program. An REU Site consists of a group of ten or so undergraduates who work in the research programs of the host institution. Each student is associated with a specific research project, where he/she works closely with the faculty and other researchers. Students are granted stipends and, in many cases, assistance with housing and travel. Undergraduate students supported with NSF funds must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States or its possessions. An REU Site may be at either a US or foreign location.

Public Policy and Intl Affairs Junior Summer Institute (PPIA)

Deadline: Early November

PPIA supports junior students in their future pursuit of graduate degrees in public policy and international affairs. The Junior Summer Institute is an intensive seven-week summer program that focuses on preparing students for graduate programs in public and international affairs and careers as policy professionals, public administrators and other leadership roles in public service. PPIA's [Graduate School Consortium](#) is comprised of over 30 public policy and international affairs programs from across the county. Fellows who apply to receive a graduate degree at these schools are able to waive the application fees and, if accepted, are guaranteed a minimum, one-time financial award of \$5,000 from the school, although most programs are able to provide financial assistant well above this level. Apply as a junior.

St. Andrew's Society Scholarship

Campus Deadline: February 1 annually

Campus Nomination Required

Campus Contact: Barbara Gorka, Fellowships Advising

The St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia awards \$35,000 scholarships to students from local universities to spend their junior year studying at one of four Scottish universities. Applicants should be in their sophomore year and possess at least a 3.7 cumulative grade point average. Students from most disciplines may apply; the credits earned during the junior year in Scotland will apply to the Temple University degree. A Temple faculty committee interviews candidates. One Temple student is then nominated to compete with approximately 15 students nominated from other universities for the five scholarships.

Truman Scholarship

Campus Deadline: November 15 annually

Campus Nomination Required

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The Truman Scholarship is for juniors who have shown exceptional leadership potential and have made significant public service contributions. Truman Scholars must pursue a career in public service (government, educational organizations, non-profit organizations, uniformed services, or advocacy)

following completion of their studies. The Truman provides up to \$30,000 toward graduate studies, leadership training, and a 10-week Washington Summer Institute following graduation. Approximately 60 awards annually. Apply as a junior.

[Udall Scholarship](#)

Campus Deadline: January 20 annually

Campus Nomination Required

Campus Contact: Barbara Gorka, Fellowships Advising

The Udall Foundation will award scholarships of up to \$7,000 to sophomores and juniors in any field who have a demonstrated interest in environmental protection and will pursue a career related to the environment. The Udall also offers awards for American Indian students planning careers in tribal policy and tribal health care. Approximately 60 awards annually.