

Introducing National Fellowships

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Thank you!

What Are National Fellowships?



Check out the INFO database

- Nationally competitive, merit-based award from **outside of the university** that can fund over 300 different kinds of opportunities
- Study, teaching, research **abroad**
- **Funding** for undergrad or grad school
- **Research** in a variety of disciplines
- Become involved in **government** and **public service**
- **(Basically, free money for cool things!)**
- Many benefits of engaging in the application process



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Go Abroad with the Fulbright Scholarship



Who: rising seniors, graduating seniors, alumni who haven't earned a terminal degree

What: funding for a year of teaching, studying, or researching abroad

Where: anywhere approved for State Department travel

When: October deadline, but we're recruiting now!

Why: study, teach, or research abroad, experience new cultures, be a student ambassador, gain excellent application writing experience

How: meet with Heidi Bretz and the NF team for assistance with the application and to be paired with a faculty mentor

FELLOWSHIP AMBASSADOR

Spotlight

Ainsley is a senior marine science major. She earned the NOAA Hollings Scholarship and recently completed a summer internship at a NOAA research facility in Alaska.



AINSLEY CAIN



FELLOWSHIP AMBASSADOR

Spotlight

Caroline is a senior biomedical engineering major. She earned the Goldwater Scholarship for STEM research and an NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates.



CAROLINE RUCKER



FELLOWSHIP AMBASSADOR

Spotlight

Reese is a senior biochemistry and molecular biology major. She earned the Truman Scholarship to fund a graduate degree leading to a career in public service.



REESE LYCAN



FELLOWSHIP AMBASSADOR

Spotlight

Cecilia is a senior languages, literatures, and cultures & global studies major. She earned a Gilman Scholarship to study abroad in Kyrgyzstan and improve her Russian.



CECILIA CALOZZO



FELLOWSHIP AMBASSADOR

Spotlight

Tristen is a junior civil engineering major. He earned the Gilman Scholarship to fund a Maymester study abroad experience in Malawi this past summer.



TRISTEN DAVIS



FELLOWSHIP AMBASSADOR

Spotlight

Ryan is a senior global studies and political science major. He earned the Project Global Officer fellowship twice for two summers of intensive Arabic language study.



RYAN LOHR



How We Can Assist



We're National Fellowships, of National Fellowships and Scholar Programs. Find us on the third floor of DeSaussure!

- We offer **info sessions** and **workshops** throughout the academic year to spread the word about fellowships & connect students to our team
- We can **listen** as students communicate their interests and goals
- We can **guide** students toward aligning their interests with particular fellowships. Find that fit!
- We can **connect** students with faculty mentors
- We offer **essay and application feedback** throughout each step of the application process
- We can set up **practice interviews**
- Our **Fellowship Ambassadors** are ready to meet with prospective applicants
- We **support students** throughout every step of the process



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Refer a student or request a presentation

- Refer students to the National Fellowships team using the referral form on our website.
 - Faculty & Staff Toolbox
- We reach out to all referred students via automatic and personal message.
- Request a presentation using the form on our website
 - Faculty & Staff Toolbox



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National Fellowships Resources

PDFs/handouts

- Fellowships by class year
- Getting started worksheet—fellowships by major/area of interest

Engage in the Process Podcast

- New season released this past fall!

NF workshops and info sessions

- All on our website
- Me!

In Your Appointments

Appreciative advising + national fellowships

- “What dreams/goals do you not have the funding or a catalyst to achieve?”
- “Are there any outside-of-class experiences that you’d like to have?”

Fellowships flags:

- Dedication to research (not just STEM!)
- International & language interest
- Desire to be an agent of change
- Passion for service
- Already has an interest in fellowships
- **Wants to explore everything**
- **Can’t decide what to explore/how to move forward**
- **Students you wish would believe in themselves more than they do & need another encouraging voice**

GPA is not the only factor

Questions?

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