Scholarships, Fellowships & Grants
Funding Opportunities for ES Students

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Colby College
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Overview

See: http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/

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Udall Scholarship

- **Description**
  - Prestigious scholarships and honorable mentions on the basis of merit to sophomores and juniors in any of three categories:
    - Students who have demonstrated commitment to careers related to the environment; Native American and Alaska Native students who have demonstrated commitment to careers related to tribal public policy or Native health care.
    - The Udall Foundation seeks future leaders across a wide spectrum of environmental fields, including policy, engineering, science, education, urban planning and renewal, business, health, justice, and economics.
  - Students nominated by college's faculty representative.

- **Eligibility**
  - Sophomores or Juniors with a GPA greater than 3.0
  - Citizenship: Students are required to be US citizens or permanent resident aliens.

- **Duration**: One academic year

- **Deadline**
  - The campus deadline: January. The campus deadline for students invited to submit revised applications is late February.

- **Amount**: Up to $7,000.

- **Website**: http://www.udall.gov/ourprograms/mkusScholarship/mkusScholarship.aspx

- **Campus Contact**
  - Professor Philip Nyhus, pjnyhus@colby.edu
Recent Udall Scholars

- Blair Braverman
  - Environmental Policy Major ('11)
  - Won as Junior

- Sarah Sorenson
  - Environmental Policy Major ('11)
  - Won as Junior

- Stephen Erario
  - Environmental Policy Major ('10)
  - Won as Sophomore

- Jacob Wall
  - Environmental Policy Major ('16)
  - Honorable mention (2014 and 2015)
Watson Fellowship

- **Description**
  - A one-year grant for independent study and travel outside the United States awarded to graduating seniors at one of 50 participating institutions

- **Eligibility**
  - Must be a graduating senior nominated by your college

- **Citizenship**
  - Both US and foreign nationals may apply. Foreign nationals may not return to their home country

- **Duration**
  - One year

- **Deadline**
  - Last Friday in September by 3:00 p.m.

- **Amount**
  - $25,000 ($35,000 if married or with dependent child)

- **Website:** [https://watson.foundation/](https://watson.foundation/)

- **Campus Contact**
  - Professor Ben Fallaw, ben.fallaw@colby.edu

  [http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/#watson](http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/#watson)
Recent Watson Scholar

- Yiyuan (Jasmine) Qin
- Environmental Science Major ('12)
- Project to look at endangered fish on world’s major river systems covering 13 countries
- Completed Yale SFS Masters
- Now working with WRI
Parwana Mohammad ’16

- Awarded a $30,000 Thomas J. Watson Fellowship for independent study outside the United States during the year following her graduation

- Her project, titled “The Experience of Childbirth and the Role of Midwives within Historically Marginalized Communities,” will take her to Brazil, New Zealand, Guatemala, and the Czech Republic.
Davis Projects for Peace

- Invitation to undergraduates at the American colleges and universities in the Davis United World College Scholars Program to design grassroots projects they will implement in the summer
- Projects judged the most promising funded $10,000 each
- Objective: to encourage and support today's motivated youth to create and test their ideas for building peace throughout the world.
- [https://www.colby.edu/administration_cs/student-affairs/peace/](https://www.colby.edu/administration_cs/student-affairs/peace/)
- Contact: Seven Grenier, Assistant director of Corporate, Foundation, and Government Relations, seven.grenier@colby.edu
- Examples:
  - **Kumba Seddu ’17 (ES minor)**, grant to renovate the Mahanain Orphanage Home, a refuge in Freetown, Sierra Leone
  - **Guillermo Sapaj ‘15 (ES Science)**, Building Climate Resilience: Empowering Children in Community-based Conservation
Fulbright

- **Description**
  - The Fulbright Program enables a student to live and study/conduct research in a foreign country for one academic year. Teaching (English) opportunities are available in Belgium/Luxembourg, Chile, France, Germany, Hungary, Korea, Rumania, Spain, Taiwan, and Turkey.

- **Eligibility**
  - Candidates must have a definite study project in mind and, in most cases, have an excellent command of the language of the country. Applicants should hold a B.A. degree or the equivalent before the beginning date of the grant but applicants who have extensive professional study and/or experience in fields in which they wish to pursue a project, may be considered.
  - Citizenship: US Citizenship is required

- **Duration**
  - One academic year (exact months vary by country)

- **Deadline**
  - September 26.

- **Amount**
  - Varies by country

- **Website:** [http://www.iie.org/fulbright/us/](http://www.iie.org/fulbright/us/)

- **Campus Contact**
  - Professor Kim Besio kabesio@colby.edu

  [http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/#fulbright](http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/#fulbright)
Rhodes Scholarship

- **Description**
  - Award established for two years of study at Oxford University. Applying students must be of outstanding intellectual ability and character as well as involved in some form of athletic activity.

- **Eligibility**
  - Minimum GPA 3.70.

- **Duration**
  - Two years of study with the possibility of a third

- **Deadline**
  - Early September. Interested candidates should contact Professor Tarja Raag as soon as possible

- **Amount**
  - All educational costs, such as matriculation, tuition, laboratory and certain other fees

- **Website:** [http://www.rhodesscholar.org/](http://www.rhodesscholar.org/)

- **Campus Contact**
  - James M. Sloat, Associate Provost, [jim.sloat@colby.edu](mailto:jim.sloat@colby.edu)
  - [http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/#rhodes](http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/#rhodes)
Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship

- Scholarship program designed to encourage outstanding students to pursue careers in mathematics, the natural sciences, and engineering
- Eligibility: Undergraduate sophomore and junior level students may be nominated by the institution’s Goldwater Faculty Representative. Applicants must also have a GPA greater than 3.0 and be in the upper fourth of his/her class.
- Citizenship: Students must be US citizens or resident aliens.
- Duration: One year (renewable for a second year for sophomore students).
- Deadline: January 20, 2017
- Amount: Up to $7,500
- Website: http://www.act.org/goldwater/
- Campus Contact: Professor Bruce Maxwell, Department of Computer Science, bruce.maxwell@colby.edu
- http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/goldwater
Harry S. Truman Scholarship

- Merit-based grant awarded to undergraduate students who wish financial support to attend graduate or professional school in preparation for careers in government or public service.
- Eligibility: Must be a junior student nominated by your college’s Truman Faculty Representative.
- Citizenship: Students must be U.S. citizens or U.S. nationals.
- Duration: One year of graduate study following the student’s senior year (a small portion of the award is used to finance the senior year of undergraduate study).
- Campus Deadline: December 2016.
- Amount: $30,000.
- Website: [http://www.truman.gov](http://www.truman.gov)
- [http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/#truman](http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/#truman)
- Campus Contact: Samara Gunter, Economics Department.
Marshall Scholarship

- Award established for two years of graduate study on any subject at any university in the United Kingdom
- Eligibility: If at all possible, applicants should clearly understand how they will use their two years and have a specific course of study in mind that is best fulfilled in England. Minimum GPA 3.70.
- Citizenship: U.S. Citizenship is required.
- Duration: Two years
- Campus Deadline: September 12, 2016
- Amount: University fees, cost of living expenses, annual book grant, thesis grant, research and daily travel grants, fares to and from the United States.
- Website: [http://www.marshallscholarship.org/](http://www.marshallscholarship.org/)
- Campus Contact: James M. Sloat, Associate Provost, jim.sloat@colby.edu
- [http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/#marshall](http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/#marshall)
Description
- NSF Fellowships enable students to study the natural and social sciences at the graduate level. Fellowships provide three years of support for graduate study leading to research-based master's or doctoral degrees in the fields of science, mathematics, and engineering supported by the NSF and are intended for students in the early stages of their graduate study.

Eligibility
- Fellowships are awarded for graduate study in fields supported by the NSF, including the mathematical, physical, biological, behavioral and social sciences; engineering; the history of science and the philosophy of science; and for research-based PhD degrees in science education.

Citizenship: Students must be US Citizens or permanent resident aliens

Duration
- Three years of support that may be used over a five-year period.

Deadline
- Variable, depending upon fellowship program.

Amount
- $27,500 stipend for a 12-month tenure plus $10,500 cost-of-education allowance per tenure year. All award amounts are pending availability of funds.

Website: [https://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/grfp/](https://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/grfp/)

Campus Contact
- Nick Boekelheide, nicholas.boekelheide@colby.edu
- [http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/#science](http://www.colby.edu/careercenter/students/fellowships/opportunitiesold/#science)
Colby Resources
The Office of the Provost awards grants to students for scholarly and creative activities that build on a background of appropriate preparation in a specific field:

- Maximum of $500 for one project per student per academic year.
- Awarded to students doing advanced work under the guidance of a faculty mentor (e.g., 300- or 400-level Independent Study, Honors project, or Senior Scholar project).
- Does not fund projects undertaken to fulfill requirements in a regular course or projects undertaken as a required component of a major or minor. Independent study projects required for a major or minor will not be funded.

To apply: Fill out “Application to the Committee to Fund Students' Special Projects” (Dean of Faculty page)
Environmental Studies Program

- **F. Russell Cole Research Fellows in Environmental Studies**
  - New program to support student research!
  - Stay tuned for more information in coming weeks
  - Grants to support meaningful research on- and off-campus

- **Environmental Studies internship funds**
  - ES has limited funds to support internships by ES majors in January and summer
  - Application due dates (fall/spring)
  - These are competitive. Funding available depending on resources and applications.
  - Students who tie their internships to their academic program typically have the strongest applications
Goldfarb Center for Public Affairs

- **Student Research Grant**
  - Funding of original research projects (including collaborative research) on topics related to public affairs or civic engagement. ...preference given to students working on honors projects, independent studies, or extended class-related papers where no other funding available.
  - Grants range from $1000 - $3000, with maximum funding allocated to grants that are collaborative or require international travel.

- **Sandy Maisel Student Internship Grant ($3,000)**

- **Student-Faculty Collaborative Research Grant**
  - Original research projects on topics related to public affairs or civic engagement in which the student will be involved as a significant collaborator with a member of the faculty.
  - Funding: Grants will range from $1000 - $3000, with maximum funding allocated to those grants that require international travel or extensive student time during winter break.

- **Deadlines:** ~October

- [http://www.colby.edu/goldfarb/funding-opportunities/](http://www.colby.edu/goldfarb/funding-opportunities/)
Oak Human Rights Internships

- The award is intended to allow students to complement their academic work and foreign study with internships at institutions that work on issues of human rights, broadly defined.
- Internship funding (up to $5,000) is available to continuing full-time Colby students over the summer.
- [https://www.colby.edu/oakinstitute/oak-human-rights-internships/](https://www.colby.edu/oakinstitute/oak-human-rights-internships/)
Colby Career Center

- Internships
- Job search
- On-campus recruiting
- Fellowships and scholarships
- Career resources
  - E.g., resume guide, cover letter guide, interview preparation, thank you letter guide, etc.

- www.colby.edu/careercenter/about/
Good Luck!