NIH Undergraduate Scholarship Program

Award Details

Emphasis: Academic; STEM; Research; Experiential

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. The program offers:

- Scholarship support of $20,000 per academic year in tuition, educational expenses, and reasonable living expenses (awarded for 1 year and renewable for up to 4 years)
- Paid research training at the NIH during the summer
- Paid employment and training at the NIH after graduation

Eligibility

- Applicants must be US citizens or permanent residents.
- Applicants must be Enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a full-time student at an accredited 4-year undergraduate institution located in the United States of America.
- Applicants must have a GPA of 3.3/4.0 or higher or be within the top 5 percent of their class.
- Applicants must have 'Exceptional Financial Need’ as certified by their undergraduate institution financial aid office (see https://www.training.nih.gov/programs/ugsp for details).

Candidate Profile

Key Characteristics Sought by Review Committee

- A succinct yet rich personal statement detailing an applicant’s unique journey and how his/her skills and experiences have prepared the applicant for the program
- A deep passion for the applicant’s chosen field and idea of how the UGSP will help the applicant accomplish his/her goals

Application

Date Application Available: January
Internal Application Due Date: February
Final Application Due Date: March