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STEM Bridge Scholarship (SBS)

Fall
Applications Open: August 12, 2016
Application Deadline: October 3, 2016
Award Announcements: December 2, 2016

Spring
Applications Open: November 14, 2016
Application Deadline: February 6, 2017
Award Announcements: April 7, 2017

Awards*:

$1,000 for the 2016-2017 academic year
$1,000 for the 2017-2018 academic year

** Based on availability of funds.*

Purpose: Scholarships to support outstanding sophomore undergraduate students identified as a member of a federally recognized minority group (African American, Native American, Hispanic/Latino, or Pacific Island) enrolled in a STEM program of study, demonstrating an interest in aerospace or supporting NASA's mission.

Application Requirements: To apply for this scholarship, you must register and apply online at spacegrant.carthage.edu/about/login and meet the following minimum requirements:

- U.S. citizen identified as a member of a federally recognized minority group (African American, Native American, Hispanic/Latino, or Pacific Islander)
- WI resident during academic year
- Enrolled full-time in, admitted to, or applied to any undergraduate program at a WSGC college or university
- Enrolled in a STEM program of study and demonstrating an interest in aerospace or supporting NASA's mission
- Completed at least one year of a science, technology, engineering, or math undergraduate program
- Have sophomore standing at the time of application
- Minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale *(Proposals that include a GPA of less than 3.0 will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis)*
- Completed application online *(see Supporting Materials Required with Application below*)

The Consortium invites applications for STEM Bridge Scholarships for the 2016-2017 academic year. Award winners will be chosen based on academic performance, aerospace-related promise, and the demonstrated interest in pursuing a career in STEM/aerospace. For consideration, the application form must be complete and be accompanied by supporting documentation.

Supporting Materials Required with Application:

1. Maximum two-page statement containing the following *(See* Tools & Tips *for more information on how to create professional communications):*
    a. A clear, concise account of your reasons for seeking this scholarship.
    b. Evidence of previous interest and experience in space, aerospace, or space-related studies.
    c. A description of your present interest in the space field.
    d. A description of the program of space-related studies you plan to pursue during this period of this award.
2. Copy of most recent college transcript *(unofficial is acceptable)*
3. Two (2) Letters of Recommendation
4. Certification Page *(Download, sign, and scan for upload)*

Required Letters of Recommendation: *Letter(s) of recommendation may be submitted with your online application or emailed to spacegrant@carthage.edu. Subject: SBS17_LOR.*

1. Two (2) Letters of Recommendation:
    a. One from a STEM faculty member who advises you.
    b. One from another faculty member, employer, or aerospace professional of your choice.

Award Acceptance Requirements: As part of your award acceptance, you will be asked to attend the Annual Wisconsin Space Conference in August 2017 and submit the following documents on the WSGC application website under Program Applications/Your Applications:

- Award Acceptance Letter
- W9
- Media Release Form
- One-Paragraph Biography
- Professional Photo
- Summary Report

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