



2017-2018
ANNOUNCEMENT OF OPPORTUNITY
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STEM Bridge Scholarship (SBS)

	FALL	SPRING
Applications Open:	August 11, 2017	November 30, 2017
Application Deadline:	October 2, 2017	February 5, 2018
Award Announcements:	December 1, 2017	April 6, 2018

Awards:

\$2,000* for spring 2018 semester
\$2,000* for 2018-2019 academic year

** Subject to availability of funds*

Purpose: Scholarships to support outstanding 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.

To Apply:

- Register on the WSGC website (<https://spacegrant.carthage.edu/forms/account/login>). Applicants will be prompted to update personal information annually.
- [Sign in](#) and submit the [Grant Application Form](#) (*applicants may apply to multiple funding programs*) and supporting documents.

Application Requirements: Applicants who meet the following requirements can apply for this scholarship by registering and applying online at spacegrant.carthage.edu/about/login:

- 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
- 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 2017-2018 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 the reasons for seeking this scholarship.
 - b. Evidence of previous interest and experience in space, aerospace, or space-related studies.
 - c. A description of present interest in the space field.
 - d. A description of the program of space-related studies the applicant plans to pursue during this period of this award.
2. Copy of most recent college transcript (*unofficial is acceptable*)
3. Two (2) Letters of Recommendation: *Letter(s) of recommendation may be submitted with the online application. Confidential letter(s) of recommendation may be emailed to spacegrant@carthage.edu. Subject: SBS18_LOR.*
 - a. One from a STEM faculty member who advises the applicant (*academic advisor or high school advisor for incoming freshmen*).
 - b. One from another faculty member, employer, or aerospace professional of the applicant's choice.

Award Acceptance Components: As part of the award acceptance, the applicant will be asked to attend the Annual Wisconsin Space Conference in August 2018 and August 2019, as well as submit the following documents on the WSGC application website under Program Applications/Your Applications:

2017-2018

- Award Acceptance Letter
- W9
- Media Release Form
- One-Paragraph Biography
- Professional Photo
- Summary Report
- 2-3 project photos

2018-2019

- Update WSGC Profile
- Copy of most recent college transcript (*unofficial is acceptable*)
- Summary Report
- 2-3 project photos

Please direct questions about the [STEM Bridge Scholarship](#) program to:

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This funding opportunity is made available for the pursuit of space-related research and/or activities through the National Space Grant College and Fellowship Program: NASA Training Grant #NNX15AJ12H. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for this award is 43.008.

All awards are fully competitive awards of opportunity in which applications are reviewed by the WSGC Technical Advisory Panel and other experts as needed. Awards are made by the Assistant Director based on recommendations from the Associate Director.

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