

[The Barry Goldwater Scholarship](#)

The Barry Goldwater Scholarship supports students of natural/life science, mathematics, and engineering who demonstrate outstanding academic performance and potential in research.

Eligibility requirements: Sophomores or Juniors; U.S. citizens or permanent residents; GPA 3.0 or higher; mathematics, natural/life sciences, or engineering.

Suited for students in: CSM, CENG, CAFES (only science-, engineering-focused majors), CAED (major: architectural engineering), CLA (majors: psychology, anthropology and geography - if the proposed work uses the research tools that are commonly found in the natural sciences, mathematics or engineering)

Award amount: \$7,500 annually

Selection criteria: Shows exceptional promise of becoming the next generation of research leaders: strong commitment to a research career in the natural sciences, mathematics and engineering, effective display of intellectual intensity in the sciences, mathematics and engineering, and potential for a significant future contribution to research in their chosen field.

More information: <https://goldwaterscholarship.gov/review-process/>

Application process: [Pre-application by student](#) (**By Oct 3**); campus committee selects the students to go forward with the application (within a week of submission of pre-application); selected applicants submit application materials by campus deadline (**Dec 1**); campus committee selects up to 4 nominees (**Dec 15**); finalists fine-tune their applications with comments from the campus committee and submit final applications (**Jan 15**); campus representative submits the nominations to the Barry Goldwater Foundation (**Jan 31**)

See process map: <https://goldwaterscholarship.gov/scholarship-process-map/>

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