



Georgia College and State University NSF S-STEM Program

Increasing Graduation Rates of Undergraduate Chemistry and Physics Majors by Connecting College to Careers

The National Science Foundation Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (S-STEM) program at Georgia College and State University (Georgia College) aims to increase the STEM workforce by recruiting and supporting academically-talented, low-income students **majoring in chemistry or physics** in the Department of Chemistry, Physics and Astronomy.

Scholarship Benefits:

- Students who have a demonstrated financial need can receive financial support of up to \$8,000 annually for 4 years (\$32,000 total) for first-time freshmen.
- This scholarship can be added to other scholarships & grant funding (such as HOPE and Pell).
- Students will have the opportunity for involvement in undergraduate research, faculty mentoring, academic and career counseling, internship placement and participation in other program activities designed to facilitate timely graduation and entry into the job market.

Eligibility Criteria

- Accepted to Georgia College as a full-time freshman majoring in chemistry or physics in the Department of Chemistry, Physics and Astronomy (federal funding guidelines require that we exclude pre-health concentrations such as pre-medical, pre-pharmacy, predental and other clinical/medical majors);
- Demonstrate financial need (Pell Grant eligible) through completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application;
- Be a U.S. citizen, U.S. National, Permanent Resident, or an Alien admitted as a refugee; and
- Have a minimum 3.5 high school GPA.

Application Process

- Complete the online Georgia College S-STEM scholarship application form;
- Submit a personal statement in PDF format (single-spaced, 12-point font, 1 page maximum) addressing your motivations to pursue a degree in chemistry or physics, and future career goals;
- Submit a resume of activities, awards, leadership roles, volunteer experience and other accomplishments as a PDF document; and
- Submit two letters of recommendation. One letter of recommendation must be from a science or math instructor.

Application Deadline April 30, 2021

Application Website:

https://www.gcsu.edu/artsandsciences/chemphys/georgia-college-and-state-university-nsf-s-stem-program

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