Fellowship Winners
2017–18
Welcome to Northwestern University’s Office of Fellowships!

You may wonder, “What’s a fellowship?” A fellowship can be
- a grant for a creative or research project
- a scholarship for an academic qualification
- an internship for professional development

What makes a grant, scholarship, or internship a fellowship is the cohort of people chosen to develop their talents together with guidance from mentors, through group activities, and in support of a larger goal.

This booklet lists the hundreds of Northwestern students and alumni who secured external funding during the 2017–18 academic year to create, research, study, and intern through fellowships all over the country and around the globe. The fellowships are listed in four categories:
- those requiring students to apply first to Northwestern for endorsement before filing applications to national competitions
- those offering international experiences by taking recipients outside the United States
- those taking recipients off campus to destinations within the United States
- those funding student activities on campus

We want you to join these fellowship winners and help us paint the world purple, one Wildcat at a time!

Elizabeth Lewis Pardoe, PhD
Director

Year in parentheses after school name indicates date of receiving undergraduate (year only) or graduate (G plus year) degree. Abbreviated year after winner’s name indicates current undergraduate class year.
A sampling of this year’s undergraduate winners

Lars Benson transferred to Northwestern at the start of his junior year and quickly found a home with Associated Student Government, serving as its chief of staff. Having completed his degree in political science in June, Benson is pursuing a master’s degree in public administration at the London School of Economics on a British Marshall Scholarship.

Goldwater Scholar Lucia Brunel followed up last year’s success by winning a British Marshall Scholarship. Having completed a joint bachelor’s and master’s degree in chemical engineering, she is pursuing research on tissue engineering at the University of Cambridge’s Centre for Medical Materials. Brunel also fights for STEM inclusivity through her role in the Society of Women Engineers.

After separate trips to South Africa for study abroad and independent research, Henry Chen longed to go back. He will do just that this year through the Fulbright US Student Program, expanding on his prior research on substance abuse and masculinity. When this history and music composition dual-degree student returns home, he plans to deepen his research skills in graduate school.

Gwendolyn Gissendanner, a social policy major and African American studies minor, takes her passion for public work to the Big Apple as part of the New York City Urban Fellows program. In New York, Gissendanner will have the opportunity to work for a mayoral office and participate in a series of seminars designed to train the next generation of America’s civic leaders.

Truman Scholar Kathleen Nganga will spend this year as a research assistant in the Democracy, Conflict, and Governance Program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace after being named a recipient of the James C. Gaither Junior Fellowship. Research has been a top priority for this political science major, as evidenced by her membership in the Posner and Mellon Mays cohorts.

Since being accepted into the prestigious NEURON program in 2016, Hadley Pfalzgraf has been on a path toward breakthroughs in Alzheimer’s research. This year her journey continues on a Mitchell Scholarship as she pursues a master’s degree in neuroscience at Ireland’s University College Cork, after which she plans to earn a medical degree and embark on a career as a physician-scientist.

School of Communication graduate Rachel Stamler-Jonas made her mark on Northwestern’s campus through her innovative work in theater, highlighted by her nonbinary Hans Christian Andersen adaptation, The Little Merperson. Now she takes her love of theater to Thailand, where she is spending the year as a Luce Scholar, joining a cohort of emerging leaders who seek to enhance our understanding of Asia.

By Northwestern University Endorsement

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American Association of University Women American Dissertation Fellowship
Joy Nicolas Sales
History, Graduate School
Writing

Boren Scholarship
Jacob Richard Summers, ’20
Slavic Languages and Literatures and International Studies, Weinberg
Study—Kazakhstan

British Marshall Scholarship
Lars Benson
Study—United Kingdom

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
James C. Gaither Junior Fellowship
Kathleen Nganga
Political Science, Weinberg (2018)
Internship—Washington, DC

DAAD Research Grant
Robin Kathryn Pokorski (declined)
History, Graduate School
Research—Germany

For more information, please visit the Northwestern University website.
Anna Holubecki  
Neuroscience, Weinberg (2018)  
Research—Poland

Aleksandar Kajmakoski  
Neuroscience, Slavic Languages and Literatures, and Global Health Studies, Weinberg (2018)  
Research—Macedonia

Fannie Koltun  
Human Development and Psychological Services, Education and Social Policy (2018)  
Teaching—Spain

Clare Ling  
Spanish, Weinberg (2018)  
Teaching—Mexico

Patrick Liu  
Psychology, Biological Sciences, and Neuroscience, Weinberg (2017)  
Teaching—South Korea

Caitlin Monroe  
History, Graduate School  
Research—Spain

Thomas Witschonke  
Art History, Graduate School  
Research—Germany

Dolores Zohrab Liebmann Fellowship  
Joy Nicolas Sales  
History, Graduate School  
Writing

Nikita Patel*  
Computer Science, Weinberg; Winds and Percussion, Bienen (2017)  
Teaching—Malaysia

Robin Kathryn Pokorski  
History, Graduate School  
Research—Germany

Tara Morgan Sennott  
Radio/Television/Film, Communication (2017)  
Internship—Thailand

Mellon-American Council of Learned Societies Dissertation Completion Fellowship  
Kathryn Anne Catlin  
Anthropology, Graduate School  
Writing

Mitchell Scholarship  
Hadley Pfalzgraf  
Neuroscience, Weinberg (2018)  
Study—Ireland

Yenching Academy of Peking University Fellowship  
Julia Jacobs (declined)  
Journalism and Political Science, Medill (2018)  
Study—China

Hana Suckstorff  
History, Weinberg (2011)  
Research—Italy

Jordan Todes  
Research—Poland

Rachel Wallner  
History, Graduate School  
Research—China

Anna Holubecki  
Neuroscience, Weinberg (2018)  
Research—Poland

American Institute of Indian Studies Junior Fellowship  
Aishitha Bhat  
History, Graduate School  
Research—India

American Research Institute in Turkey Summer Fellowships for Advanced Turkish Language Study  
Dominic Basteletris-Fox, ’20  
International Studies and Political Science, Weinberg  
Study—Turkey

Frank Huntington Beebe Fellowship  
Tyrone Clinton  
Choral Conducting, Bienen  
Study—Mexico

Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies Dissertation Fellowship  
Gil Engelstein  
History, Graduate School  
Research—Germany

Botany in Action Fellowship  
Lynden Johnson  
Plant Biology and Conservation, Graduate School  
Research—Cuba

Buffett Institute Postgraduate Fellowship  
One Acre Fund  
Comparative Literary Studies and Political Science, Weinberg (2018)  
Internship—Rwanda

American Research Institute in Turkey Summer Fellowships for Advanced Turkish Language Study  
Dominic Basteletris-Fox, ’20  
International Studies and Political Science, Weinberg  
Study—Turkey

Frank Huntington Beebe Fellowship  
Tyrone Clinton  
Choral Conducting, Bienen  
Study—Mexico

Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies Dissertation Fellowship  
Gil Engelstein  
History, Graduate School  
Research—Germany

Botany in Action Fellowship  
Lynden Johnson  
Plant Biology and Conservation, Graduate School  
Research—Cuba

British Institute in Eastern Africa Thematic Grant  
Patrick Mbulo Owuor  
Anthropology, Graduate School  
Research—Kenya

International Fellowships
### Critical Language Scholarship
- Moses Lee, '20
  - Middle East and North African Studies, Weinberg; Learning and Organizational Change, Education and Social Policy
  - Study—Morocco
- Coreta Lemaitre*, '20
  - Political Science, Weinberg (2017)
  - Study—Jordan

### DAAD Intensive Language Course Grant
- Madison Rinder (declined)
  - Study

### DAAD Research Internship in Science and Engineering
- Yehya Elmarcy, '20
  - Computer Engineering, McCormick
  - Internship—Germany
- Ryan McHenry, '19 (declined)
  - Music, Bienen; Computer Science, McCormick
  - Internship—Germany
- Shaam Nobel, '19
  - Integrated Science and Physics, Weinberg
  - Internship—Germany

### DAAD Undergraduate Scholarship
- Amber Marie Lurczak, '19
  - Biological Sciences, Weinberg
  - Study—Germany

### Peter R. D’Agostino Research Travel Grant
- Gabrielle Guillermet
- History, Graduate School
- Research—Italy

### Durham University Elite Athlete Scholarship
- Katharine Patricia Van Riper
- History and Psychology, Weinberg (2018)
- Study—United Kingdom

### Emile-Boutmy Scholarship
- Natalie Burg
- Study—France

### Freytag Graduate Scholarship in the Humanities
- Ada Goldman
- Study—United Kingdom

### Fellowship at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics
- Rheina Cohen
- American Studies, Weinberg (2014)
- Study—Poland

### Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship
- Leila Oum Kihshom Tayeb*
  - Performance Studies, Graduate School
  - Study—Jordan

### Freeman Asia Scholarship
- Maxwell Sigal, '20
  - Integrated Science, Biological Sciences, and Chemistry
  - Weinberg
  - Study—Japan

### Fulbright UK Summer Institutes
- John Stavropoulos,* '20
  - English, Weinberg
  - Study—United Kingdom

### Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship
- Megan Baller, '19
  - Radio/Television/Film, Communication (2019)
  - Study—Greece
- Marcela Bustillas, '19
  - Communication Studies, Communication (2019)
  - Study—Australia
- Jessica Carter, '19
  - Political Science and Psychology, Weinberg (2019)
  - Study—France
- Heaven Davis, '20
  - Political Science, Weinberg
  - Study—Ghana
- Kahil Ellis, '20
  - Journalism, Medill
  - Study—Czech Republic
- Esteban Espino
  - Radio/Television/Film, Communication (2018)
  - Study—Argentina
- Rachel Fimbianti, '20
  - Radio/Television/Film, Communication
  - Study—Italy
- David Guergis, '20
  - Social Policy and Global Health Studies, Education and Social Policy
  - Study—France
- Monica Ha, '19
  - Earth and Planetary Sciences, Weinberg
  - Study—South Africa
- Sayeed Sanchez Johnson, '20
  - African American Studies and English, Weinberg
  - Study—Spain
- Kianna Jones, '20
  - Anthropology and Global Health Studies, Weinberg
  - Study—Mexico
- Angelina Jose, '20
  - Anthropology and Global Health Studies, Weinberg
  - Study—Mexico

### Suzannah Kingsbury, '20
- Human Development and Psychological Services, Education and Social Policy
- Study—South Africa

### Charles Lei, '19
- Economics, Weinberg
- Study—Switzerland

### Denise Lopez, '20
- Environmental Sciences, Weinberg
- Study—Vietnam

### Aleah Matthews-Runner, '19
- Theater, Communication
- Study—France

### Xin Mei, '21
- Undeclared, Weinberg
- Study—China

### Montgomery Nelson, '19
- Art History and Political Science, Weinberg
- Study—France

### Mlaejandra Nevaraza, '20 (declined)
- Theater, Communication; Legal Studies, Weinberg
- Study—Scotland

### Jaiene Ochoa, '20
- Human Development and Psychological Services, Education and Social Policy
- Study—South Korea

### Erika Rodriguez, '20
- Radio/Television/Film, Communication; English, Weinberg
- Study—England

### Sofia Salgado, '19 (declined)
- Psychology and Economics, Weinberg
- Study—Brazil

### Maxwell Sigal, '20
- Integrated Science, Biological Sciences, and Chemistry
- Weinberg
- Study—Japan

### Jacob Richard Summers, '20
- Slavic Languages and Literatures and International Studies
- Weinberg
- Study—Kazakhstan

### Andy Tran
- Neuroscience and Global Health Studies, Weinberg (2018)
- Study—France

### *Awarded in 2016–17
Harriman Carnegie Research Grant
Alexandra Sasha Klyachkina
Political Science, Graduate School
Research—Russia

Huaya Enrichment Scholarship
Samuel Cullen, ’21 (declined)
Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences and Undeclared, Weinberg
Study—Taiwan

Henry Luce Foundation/American Council of Learned Societies Program in China Studies Predissertation Summer Travel Grant
Guangshuo Yang
History, Graduate School
Research—China

MEXT Research Student Scholarship
Ying Han
Biological Sciences and Gender and Sexuality Studies, Weinberg (2018)
Study—Japan

Middle East and North Africa Regional Fellowship Program
Madeline May Ewbank
Internship—Tunisia

Max Planck Summer Academy for Legal History
Melody Shum
History, Graduate School
Study—Germany

Princeton in Asia Fellowship
Erim Selene Dunbar
Comparative Literary Studies and French, Weinberg (2018)
Teaching—Mongolia

Princeton in Latin America Fellowship
Tatiana Dalton
Theater, Communication (2018)
Internship—Guatemala

Projects for Peace
Cesar Almeida
Teaching—Ghana

Schwarzman Scholars
Jung Sup Lim
Communication Studies, Communication (2013)
Study—China
Bozhong Xue
Sociology, Weinberg; Civil Engineering, McCormick (2012)
Study—China

Toshiba International Foundation Fellowship for Research and Japanese Language Training
Alexandra De Leon
History, Graduate School
Research and Study—Japan

University of Notre Dame Rome Global Gateway Rome Seminar
Anna Dumont
Art History, Graduate School
Research—Italy

Wurzburg Institute Frances A. Yates Long-Term Fellowship
 Frederika Tvebruary
Comparative Literary Studies, Graduate School
Research—United Kingdom

Weiss Fund for Research in Development Economics
Francesca Truffa
Economics, Graduate School
Research—Ghana
Ashley Wong
Economics, Graduate School
Research—Ghana

Winnebago Dissertation Fieldwork Grant
Liviu Garofalo
Anthropology, Graduate School
Research—Argentina
Kacey Grauer
Anthropology, Graduate School
Research—Belize

Domestic Fellowships

American Political Science Association Prestige-Fenno Fund
Justin Zimmerman
Political Science, Graduate School
Study—Ann Arbor, Michigan

Argonne National Laboratory Enrico Fermi Fellowship
Sarah Wolff
Mechanical Engineering, Graduate School
Internship and Research—Argonne, Illinois

Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library Visiting Graduate Student Fellowship
Emma Bennett Jones
History, Graduate School
Research—New Haven, Connecticut

Big Ten Academic Alliance Smithsonian Fellowship
Talia Bess Shabtay
Art History, Graduate School
Research—Washington, DC

Blue Waters National Center for Supercomputing Applications Fellowship
Alexander Gurvich
Physics and Astronomy, Graduate School
Research—Urbana, Illinois

Fred Case Grant
Lynnaun Johnson
Plant Biology and Conservation, Graduate School
Research—Naples, Florida

Friends of Nachusa Grasslands Research Grant
Emma Leavens
Plant Biology and Conservation, Graduate School
Research—Franklin Grove, Illinois

Gilder Lehman Institute Scholarly Fellowship
Gideon Cohn-Postar
History, Graduate School
Research—New York City, New York

Harvard Kennedy School Public Policy and Leadership Conference
Adam Davies
Gender and Sexuality Studies, Weinberg; Social Policy, Education and Social Policy (2018)
Study—Cambridge, Massachusetts

Jung Sup Lim, ’21 (declined) Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences and Undeclared, Weinberg Study—Taiwan

Henry Luce Foundation/American Council of Learned Societies Program in China Studies Predissertation Summer Travel Grant Guangshuo Yang History, Graduate School Research—China

MEXT Research Student Scholarship Ying Han Biological Sciences and Gender and Sexuality Studies, Weinberg (2018) Study—Japan

Middle East and North Africa Regional Fellowship Program Madeline May Ewbank Middle East and North African Studies, Weinberg (2018) Internship—Tunisia

Max Planck Summer Academy for Legal History Melody Shum History, Graduate School Study—Germany

Princeton in Asia Fellowship Erim Selene Dunbar Comparative Literary Studies and French, Weinberg (2018) Teaching—Mongolia


Schwarzman Scholars Jung Sup Lim Communication Studies, Communication (2013) Study—China
Bozhong Xue Sociology, Weinberg; Civil Engineering, McCormick (2012) Study—China

Toshiba International Foundation Fellowship for Research and Japanese Language Training Alexandra De Leon History, Graduate School Research and Study—Japan

University of Notre Dame Rome Global Gateway Rome Seminar Anna Dumont Art History, Graduate School Research—Italy

Wurzburg Institute Frances A. Yates Long-Term Fellowship Frederika Tvebearing Comparative Literary Studies, Graduate School Research—United Kingdom

Weiss Fund for Research in Development Economics Francesca Truffa Economics, Graduate School Research—Ghana
Ashley Wong Economics, Graduate School Research—Ghana

Winnebago Dissertation Fieldwork Grant Liviu Garofalo Anthropology, Graduate School Research—Argentina
Kacey Grauer Anthropology, Graduate School Research—Belize

Domestic Fellowships

American Political Science Association Prestige-Fenno Fund Justin Zimmerman Political Science, Graduate School Study—Ann Arbor, Michigan

Argonne National Laboratory Enrico Fermi Fellowship Sarah Wolff Mechanical Engineering, Graduate School Internship and Research—Argonne, Illinois

Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library Visiting Graduate Student Fellowship Emma Bennett Jones History, Graduate School Research—New Haven, Connecticut

Big Ten Academic Alliance Smithsonian Fellowship Talia Bess Shabtay Art History, Graduate School Research—Washington, DC

Blue Waters National Center for Supercomputing Applications Fellowship Alexander Gurvich Physics and Astronomy, Graduate School Research—Urbana, Illinois

Fred Case Grant Lynnaun Johnson Plant Biology and Conservation, Graduate School Research—Naples, Florida

Friends of Nachusa Grasslands Research Grant Emma Leavens Plant Biology and Conservation, Graduate School Research—Franklin Grove, Illinois

Gilder Lehman Institute Scholarly Fellowship Gideon Cohn-Postar History, Graduate School Research—New York City, New York


Forest Fungal Ecology Research Award Lynnaun Johnson Plant Biology and Conservation, Graduate School Research—Naples, Florida

Friends of Nachusa Grasslands Research Grant Emma Leavens Plant Biology and Conservation, Graduate School Research—Franklin Grove, Illinois

Gilder Lehman Institute Scholarly Fellowship Gideon Cohn-Postar History, Graduate School Research—New York City, New York

Illinois Native Plant Society Research Grant
Samantha Dangulian
Plant Biology and Conservation, Graduate School
Research—Glencoe, Illinois
Katherine Wenzell
Plant Biology and Conservation, Graduate School
Research—Glencoe, Illinois

Illinois State Academy of Sciences Botanical Division Travel Grant
Samantha Dangulian
Plant Biology and Conservation, Graduate School
Research—Glencoe, Illinois

Illinois State Academy of Sciences Student Research Grant
Katie Kucera
Plant Biology and Conservation, Graduate School
Research—New Orleans, Louisiana

Knight-Hennessy Scholars
Garam Kim
Biostatistics, Graduate School (2018)
Study—Stanford, California

Knowles Teaching Fellows Program
Nina Oezdemir
Teaching—San Mateo, California
Rohan Prakash
Teaching—Cupertino, California

Kress History of Art Institutional Fellowship
Julia Marie Oswald
Art History, Graduate School
Research—Berlin, Germany, and Washington, DC

Leadership Alliance
Jordyn Ricard, ‘20
Human Development and Psychological Services, Education and Social Policy
Study—Cambridge, Massachusetts

James Madison Graduate Fellowship
Karin Therese Scott
History and Urban Studies, Weinberg (2013)
Study

Major League Baseball Diversity Fellowship
Katie Krall
History, Weinberg (2018)
Internship—New York City, New York

Mellon-American Council of Learned Society Public Fellows
Samuel Kling
History, Graduate School
Internship—Chicago, Illinois
Jessica Koski
Sociology, Graduate School
Internship—Seattle, Washington

Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship at the University of Wisconsin-Madison
Christine Goding-Doty
African American Studies, Graduate School
Research and Teaching—Madison, Wisconsin

Monticello McNeil Fellowship
Laura McCoy
History, Graduate School
Research—Charlottesville, Virginia

National Aeronautics and Space Administration Space Technology Research Fellowship
Nicholas Geisendorfer
Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School
Research—Cleveland, Ohio, and Pasadena, California

National Institutes of Health Postbaccalaureate Intramural Research Training Award
Amy Lieberman
Human Development and Psychological Services, Education and Social Policy (2018)
Internship—Bethesda, Maryland

National Museum of African American History and Culture Next Exit History Research Assistant Internship
Ashley Dennis
African American Studies, Graduate School
Internship—Washington, DC

New York City Urban Fellows Program
Gwendolyn Gissendanner
Internship—New York City, New York

New York State Summer Writers Institute Scholarship
Laila Francis, ’19
English, Weinberg
Study—Saratoga Springs, New York
Yunhan (Leslie) Liu, ’19
Economics, Mathematics, and French, Weinberg
Study—Saratoga Springs, New York
Megan Pan
Philosophy, Weinberg (2019)
Study—Saratoga Springs, New York
Sydney Shaw, ’19
Journalism and English, Medill
Study—Saratoga Springs, New York
Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship
Anna Jozwik
Political Science, Weinberg (2005)
Study—Washington, DC

Project Horseshoe Farm Fellowship
Priya Garigipati
Biological Sciences, Weinberg (2017)
Internship—Greensboro, Alabama

Harry Ransom Center Research Fellowship in the Humanities
Ruby Daily
History, Graduate School
Research—Austin, Texas

Report for America Corps
Molly Born
Editorial Journalism, Medill
Internship—Williamson, West Virginia
Samantha Max
Journalism and Spanish, Medill (2018)
Internship—Macon, Georgia
Ciara McCarthy
American Studies, Weinberg (2015)
Internship—Victoria, Texas

Robinson Foundation for Government Fellowship
Maria Pourach
Study—College Station, Texas

Santa Fe Institute Omidyar Postdoctoral Fellowship
Chuqiao (Vicky) Yang
Engineering Sciences and Applied Mathematics, Graduate School
Research—Santa Fe, New Mexico

Smithsonian Postdoctoral Fellowship at the Smithsonian American Art Museum
Alison Boyd
Art History, Graduate School
Research—Washington, DC

Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations W. Stull Holt Dissertation Fellowship
Jonathan Isaac Ng
History, Graduate School
Research—Ann Arbor, Michigan; Vermillion, South Dakota; Atlanta, Georgia; and San Salvador, El Salvador

Society of Fellows Harper and Schmidt Fellowship
Blake Smith
History, Graduate School
Teaching—Chicago, Illinois

Thorton Tomasetti Foundation National Scholarship
Sophie Sisson
Civil Engineering, McCormick (2018)
Study—Austin, Texas

Venture for America
Emma Montgomery
Comparative Literature and Psychology, Weinberg (2017)
Internship—Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Vincentian Studies Institute Grant
Gabrielle Gauslim
History, Graduate School
Research—Chicago, Illinois

Wenner-Gren Dissertation Fieldwork Grant
Moira Kyyveluk
Anthropology, Graduate School

Carter G. Woodson Institute for African American and African Studies Two-Year Predoctoral Fellowship
Francisca Delali Yoza Kumavie
English, Graduate School
Research and Writing—Charlottesville, Virginia
Actors Fund Career Transition for Dancers
Elliot Gordon Mercer
Theater and Drama, Graduate School

American Association of University Women Career Development Grant
Naemia Jamilah Torres
Documentary Media, Graduate School

American Chemical Society Division of Organic Chemistry Outstanding Senior Organic Chemistry Student
Ryan Evenson
Chemistry, Weinberg (2018)

American Comparative Literature Association Presidential Undergraduate Prize
Emma Montgomery
Psychology and Comparative Literary Studies, Weinberg (2017)

American Political Science Association Minority Fellowship
Andrene Wright
Political Science, Graduate School

Beca Complemento de Apoyo al Posgrado Ciclo
Elsa De La Rosa
History, Graduate School

Alexander Graham Bell Canada Graduate Scholarships Doctoral Program
Amanda Shorter
Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School

Albert J. Beveridge Grant
Alvita Ana Akiboh
History, Graduate School

Chinese Government Award for Outstanding Self-Financed Students Abroad
Ran Li
Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Graduate School

Gladys Krieble Delmas Foundation Venetian Research Grant
Kathleen Nell
History, Graduate School

Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship
Brandon Aiston
Sociology, Graduate School

GEM PhD Full Fellowship
Kofi Emmanuel Otieno
Computer Engineering, Graduate School

GEM University Associate Fellowship
Carolyn E. Ramirez
Chemical Engineering, Graduate School

Hearst Journalism Award Multimedia I - Narrative Storytelling
Alex Lederman*
Journalism and Political Science, Medill (2017)

Humane Studies Fellowship
David Peyton
Political Science, Graduate School

Humanities without Walls Predoctoral Career Diversity Summer Workshop
Gideon Colin-Postar
History, Graduate School
Maria Dikos
English, Graduate School
Angela Tate
History, Graduate School

Jefferson Scholars Foundation National Fellowship
Matthew Lacombe
Political Science, Graduate School

Kaufman Dissertation Fellowship
Stephanie Georgina Johnson
Economics, Graduate School
Chiara Maggi
Economics, Graduate School

Mellon - Council for European Studies Dissertation Completion Fellowship
Kachryn Anne Callin
Anthropology, Graduate School

National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship
Katherine Warfel
Chemical Engineering, Graduate School

National Institutes of Health Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award Individual Predoctoral MD/PhD Fellowship (F30)
Nina Calantine*
Life Sciences, Feinberg, Medical Science Training, Graduate School

* Awarded in 2016–17

National Institutes of Health Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award Individual Predoctoral Fellowship (F31)
Michael David Adoff
Neuroscience, Graduate School
Alexandra Apple*
Clinical Psychology, Graduate School
Emma Baillargeon
Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School
Maxwell Edmonds
Life Sciences, Feinberg, Medical Science Training, Graduate School
Dominic Frank*
Neuroscience, Graduate School

Robert Free
Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School
Timothy Herr
Health Sciences, Graduate School
Haleh Karbasforsouzan
Neuroscience, Graduate School
Stephanie Kiellb*
Clinical Psychology, Graduate School

* Awarded in 2016–17

American Political Science Association On-Campus Fellowships Humanities without Walls
Gideon Colin-Postar
History, Graduate School
Maria Dikos
English, Graduate School
Angela Tate
History, Graduate School

Jefferson Scholars Foundation National Fellowship
Matthew Lacombe
Political Science, Graduate School

Kaufman Dissertation Fellowship
Stephanie Georgina Johnson
Economics, Graduate School
Chiara Maggi
Economics, Graduate School

Mellon - Council for European Studies Dissertation Completion Fellowship
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Anthropology, Graduate School

National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship
Katherine Warfel
Chemical Engineering, Graduate School

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Neuroscience, Graduate School
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Clinical Psychology, Graduate School
Emma Baillargeon
Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School
Maxwell Edmonds
Life Sciences, Feinberg, Medical Science Training, Graduate School
Dominic Frank*
Neuroscience, Graduate School

Robert Free
Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School
Timothy Herr
Health Sciences, Graduate School
Haleh Karbasforsouzan
Neuroscience, Graduate School
Stephanie Kiellb*
Clinical Psychology, Graduate School

* Awarded in 2016–17
**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

*Ernest F. Hollings* Undergraduate Scholarship

Rachel So, ’20

Environmental Sciences and Earth and Planetary Sciences, Weinberg

**National Science Foundation**

Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant

Thomas Denby

Linguistics, Graduate School

Livia Garofalo

Anthropology, Graduate School

Kacey Grauer

Anthropology, Graduate School

Nayoun Kim

Linguistics, Graduate School

Moira Kryweluk

Anthropology, Graduate School

Roberto Rosado Ramirez

Anthropology, Graduate School

Calen Ryan

Anthropology, Graduate School

**National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship**

Raul Osvaldo Avila

Mechanical Engineering, Graduate School

Devika Basu

Psychology and History, Weinberg (2014)

Lisa Jane Beckmann

Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School

Jacqueline Alexis Burke

Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School

Yu-Chin Chan

Mechanical Engineering, Graduate School

Kaitlyn Elaine Chirswell

Political Science and Spanish, Weinberg (2014)

Kelsey Ann Collins

Chemistry, Graduate School

Thomas James Coetz

Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School

Hailey Byse Eidelberg

Chemical Engineering, Graduate School

Chelsea Fries

Biomedical Engineering, McCormick (2016)

Alexander Garvich

Physics and Astronomy, Graduate School

Samantha Marie Harvey

Chemistry, Graduate School

Laura Nicole Henry


Vincent Craig Herr

Mathematics, Professional Studies (1990)

Brennan Leo Jackson

Biomedical Engineering, McCormick (2017)

Liban Jibril

Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School

John Michael Kelly

Psychology, Weinberg (2013)

Nolan Kennedy

Biological Sciences, Graduate School

Blaise Russel Kimmel

Chemical Engineering, Graduate School

Alyssa Anne Lynne

Sociology, Graduate School

Nicole Irene Mirea

Linguistics, Graduate School

William Kent Oestreicht

Environmental Engineering, McCormick (2015)

Nicole Palaciet

Life Sciences, Graduate School

Kelly Ann Parker

Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School

Justin Alexander Peruzzi

Chemical Engineering, Graduate School

Blake Rasor

Chemical Engineering, Graduate School

Luke Peter Skala

Chemistry, Graduate School

Ariana June Steele


Michael Joseph Strauss

Chemistry, Graduate School

Tessa Louise Swanson

Civil Engineering, McCormick (2016)

Nicolas Edward Watkins

Chemistry, Graduate School

Sigma Xi Grants-in-Aid of Research Award

Mengtan Liu

Chemistry and Environmental Sciences, Weinberg (2018)

**Social Science Research Council Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship**

Brandon Alston

Sociology, Graduate School

Anzzi Amin

Music Theory and Cognition, Bienen

Colin Bos

History, Graduate School

Olivia Caccione

Music, Graduate School

Jayme Collins

English, Graduate School

Lucia Delani

Communication Studies, Graduate School

Sarah Estrella

Art History, Graduate School

James Howard Hill

Religious Studies, Graduate School

Natalia Justo

Political Science, Graduate School

Isaac Noah Ginsberg Miller

African American Studies, Graduate School

Alicia Vanessa Nunez

Spanish and Portuguese, Graduate School

Salih Nur

Political Science, Graduate School

Jennifer Porter-Lupu

Anthropology, Graduate School

Keegan Terek

Anthropology, Graduate School

Anthony Topoleski

Slavic Languages and Literatures, Graduate School

Kadek Uttwasti

Sociology, Graduate School

Benjamin Zender

Performance Studies, Graduate School

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellowship

Mitchell Robert Edwards

History, Graduate School

Carlos Halaburda

Spanish and Portuguese, Graduate School

Didier Morelli

Performance Studies, Graduate School

Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans

Benjamin Chou

JD/MBA, Pritzker and Kellogg

Julissa Muniz

Human Development and Social Policy, Graduate School

Stigler PhD Award

Ricardo Marchingigilo

Economics, Graduate School

Thornton Tomasetti Foundation National Scholarship

Kathryn Eckhoff* Civil Engineering, McCormick (2017)

Thornton Tomasetti Foundation Student Innovation Fellowship

Michael Aronson*

Civil Engineering, McCormick (2017)
A sampling of this year’s graduate student winners

Raul Avila, a PhD candidate in mechanical engineering, was born and raised at the international border of El Paso, Texas, and Juarez, Mexico. He earned a BS in mechanical engineering at the University of Texas at El Paso and won support for his doctoral work this year through a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship and a Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship.

JD/MBA student Benjamin Chou was born in Houston to Chinese and Taiwanese immigrants. Both his grandfathers served in the Chinese Nationalist military and fled their ancestral homes to Taiwan after the Communist Revolution. His parents were born in Taiwan and pursued graduate studies in the US. Chou continues the family tradition through the support of a Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans.

Garam Kim will attend Stanford University in 2018–19 as a member of the first cohort of Knight-Hennessy Scholars. Having earned bachelor’s degrees in biological sciences and violin performance and a master’s degree in biostatistics at Northwestern, Kim is pursuing a PhD in neuroscience, bringing her passions for science and music into dynamic interdisciplinary conversations.

PhD candidate Julissa Muñiz was named a winner of the Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans to support her research in the School of Education and Social Policy. Born in San Diego to Mexican immigrant parents, Muñiz lived in Tijuana while crossing the border daily for school in San Ysidro, California, on her way to becoming the first in her extended family to graduate from high school.

After winning a Fulbright award to conduct research in the Philippines, Joy Sales won a Dolores Zohrab Liebmann Fellowship and a Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship to complete her dissertation, which investigates the networks of transnational activism that have connected the Philippines to the United States since the 1960s. Her research has also been funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

Art history PhD candidate Talia Shabtay received a Big Ten Academic Alliance Smithsonian Fellowship to support her research on how scientific and technological developments have been visually presented to the American public—and to scientists—since World War II. During her year in Washington, DC, Shabtay will access exhibits and archives at several Smithsonian departments.

Naeema Torres won an American Association of University Women Career Development Grant to support her work in the documentary media MFA at Northwestern. Using documentary as a blueprint, Torres aims to tell unapologetic stories about urban life, complex ethnic identities, and womanhood. Her thesis film, to be completed in 2019, will examine the legacy of the largest slave rebellion in US history.