Welcome to Northwestern University’s Office of Fellowships!

You may wonder, “What is 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 2019–20 academic year to create, research, study, and intern through fellowships all over the country and around the globe. Because of the coronavirus pandemic, recipients may be unable to use their awards in summer 2020 or during the 2020–21 academic year; but to honor the achievement of their having been selected, we have announced their awards regardless of any postponements or cancelations.

The fellowships are listed in four categories:

• those requiring students to apply first to Northwestern for endorsement before filing an application to a national competition
• 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 degree.
Abbreviated year after winner’s name indicates current undergraduate class year.*
A sampling of this year’s undergraduate winners

**Erika Barrios**, a 2020 Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences graduate who majored in English, won the *Mellon University Press Diversity Fellowship* and will work this year for the university press of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. At Northwestern, Barrios was also a Kaplan Scholar and conducted independent research as a Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellow.

Political science major **James Crisafulli** capped his senior year in Weinberg College by landing two awards. Through a summer *Humanity in Action Fellowship*, Crisafulli designed a project on a human rights issue. In the fall he begins his placement in Los Angeles with the *Coro Fellowship*, which develops emerging leaders by offering professional training across multiple sectors.

**Ayana Davis**, a 2020 human development and psychological services graduate in the School of Education and Social Policy, is teaching English in Spain this year through the *Fulbright US Student Program*. Davis also plans to volunteer with Madrid for Refugees, a nonprofit organization that supports refugees, asylum seekers, and migrants at risk of social exclusion.

After conducting research in the United States last summer, junior Weinberg psychology major **Sarah Eisenman** was determined to gain international experience, which she secured this year with the *ThinkSwiss Research Scholarship*. Next summer Eisenman will travel to Basel, Switzerland, to study internet callout culture at the University of Basel’s Center for Social Psychology.

A double major in African American studies and English, 2020 Weinberg College graduate **Sayeed Sanchez Johnson** will join Ayana Davis as an English teaching assistant in Spain through the *Fulbright US Student Program*. Sanchez is well prepared for his teaching duties as a result of his years of service to fellow undergraduates as a tutor for Northwestern’s Cook Family Writing Program.

**Alexander Schwartz**, a 2020 Medill School journalism graduate, will spend the next two years as a reporter for the *Herald and News* in Klamath Falls, Oregon. Schwartz is one of several Wildcats selected this year for the *Report for America Corps*, which places talented emerging journalists in local newsrooms to report on under-covered issues and communities.

A true spirit of interdisciplinarity marked 2020 graduate **Lucy Yang**’s career at Northwestern, where she majored in environmental sciences and comparative literary studies in Weinberg College and also played the oboe. Yang adds another area of expertise this year in Beijing, where she will earn a master’s degree in China studies through the *Yenching Scholars* program.
By Northwestern University Endorsement

Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst Research Grant
Sorrel Dunn
Comparative Literary Studies, Graduate School
Research—Germany

Fulbright US Student Program
Emily Andrey
Art History and Slavic Languages and Literatures, Weinberg (2020)
Teaching—Russia

Liam Aranda
History and International Studies, Weinberg (2019)
Teaching—Brazil

Dominic Balestrieri-Fox
Political Science and Critical Theory, Weinberg (2020)
Teaching—Turkey

Anisha Bhat
History, Graduate School
Research—India

Lois Biggs
Art History and Comparative Literary Studies, Weinberg (2020)
Study—United Kingdom

Natalie Burg
Teaching—Guatemala

Reena Burt
Teaching—India

Elizabeth Susan Cornman
Learning Sciences, Education and Social Policy (2020)
Teaching—Czech Republic

Halimeda Cronin
Teaching—Taiwan

Ayana Davis
Human Development and Psychological Services, Education and Social Policy (2020)
Teaching—Spain

Giovanni Marc Gamalong
Chemistry and Organic Chemistry, Weinberg (2020)
Teaching—Indonesia

Lillian Guo
Teaching—Taiwan

Bright Gyamfi
History, Graduate School
Research—Ghana

Hayley Jacqueline Krolik
Learning Sciences and Political Science, Education and Social Policy (2020)
Teaching—Colombia

Christopher LaMountain
Music and Religious Studies, Bienen (2020)
Research—India

Hector Macias Nuño
German and Sociology, Weinberg (2018)
Teaching—Mexico

Daniela Ruiz
Chemical Engineering, McCormick (2018)
Teaching—Germany

Meriem Sadoun
Writing, Professional Studies
Teaching—Algeria

Sayeed Sanchez Johnson
African American Studies and English, Weinberg (2020)
Teaching—Spain

Daniel Shuffield
Theater and Linguistics, Communication (2018)
Teaching—Spain

Maxwell Sigal
Biological Sciences and Chemistry, Weinberg (2020)
Research—Japan

Arzu Singh
Teaching—India

Carlos Williamson
Editorial Journalism, Medill
Research—Brazil

Luce Scholars
Gavin Brehm
Music and Cognitive Science, Bienen (2020)
Internship—Japan

Projects for Peace
Shreya Budhiraja, '21
Neuroscience, Weinberg
Study—Chicago, Illinois
Schmidt Science Fellows
Andrea D'Aquino
Chemistry, Graduate School
Research—Stanford, California

Yuanzhao Zhang
Physics and Astronomy, Graduate School
Research—Ithaca, New York

Truman Scholarship
Hayden Richardson, '21
Legal Studies and Political Science, Weinberg
Study

Yenching Scholars
Lucy Yang
Comparative Literary Studies and Environmental Sciences, Weinberg (2020)
Study—China

International Fellowships

American Academy in Rome
Rome Prize
Anna Dumont
Art History, Graduate School
Research—Italy

American Chemical Society International Research Experience for Students Program
Paul Timothy Brown, '21
Materials Science and Engineering and Art History, McCormick
Internship—Singapore

American Indonesian Cultural and Educational Foundation Overseas Travel Grant
Norman Joshua*
History, Graduate School
Research—Indonesia
Sabina Puspita*
Political Science, Graduate School
Research—Indonesia
Rahardhika Arista Utama*
Sociology, Graduate School
Research—Indonesia

Anatolia College Postgraduate Fellowship Program
Lydia Claire Hartman
Theater and Political Science, Communication (2020)
Internship—Greece

Brazil Initiation Scholarship
Jesse Rothbard
Spanish and Portuguese, Graduate School
Research—Brazil

Center for Arabic Study Abroad Fellows
Connor Douglas Echols
Journalism and Middle East and North African Studies, Medill
Study—Jordan

Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange for Young Professionals
Daniela Ruiz
Chemical Engineering, McCormick (2018)
Internship—Germany

*Awarded in 2018–19
Critical Language Scholarship
Christopher LaMountain
Music and Religious Studies, Bienen (2020)
Study—India

Jillian Grace Pignataro
Slavic Languages and Literatures, Graduate School
Study—Russia

Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst Research Internship in Science and Engineering
Mari Brady, ’21
Biological Sciences and Mathematics, Weinberg
Internship—Germany

Paul Timothy Brown, ’21 (declined)
Materials Science and Engineering and Art History, McCormick
Internship—Germany

Ravi Tyler Chou Chepuri, ’22
Integrated Science Program and Physics, Weinberg
Internship—Germany

Leonidas Georgopoulos, ’22 (declined)
Materials Science and Engineering, McCormick
Internship—Germany

Gilberto Manuel Guadiana, ’22
Mechanical Engineering and Computer Science, McCormick
Internship—Germany

Camille Guzman, ’21
Biomedical Engineering and Latina and Latino Studies, McCormick
Internship—Germany

Trung Ha, ’22
Materials Science and Engineering, McCormick
Internship—Germany

Chuyue Liu, ’21
German and Statistics, Weinberg
Internship—Germany

Gabriel Etienne Petersen, ’22
Integrated Science Program and Mathematics, Weinberg
Internship—Germany

Caroline Marie Roach, ’22
Chemistry and German, Weinberg
Internship—Germany

Kenneth Wang, ’22
Neuroscience and Biology, Weinberg
Internship—Germany

Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst Research Internship in Science and Engineering Professional
Orion Matthew Forowycz, ’21
Integrated Science Program and Mathematics, Weinberg
Internship—Germany

Brendan Ward, ’21
Engineering, McCormick
Internship—Germany

Embassy of Foreign Artists
Rashayla Marie Brown
Performance Studies, Graduate School
Research—Switzerland

English Open Doors Program
Eliza Nora Levy
Radio/Television/Film and Gender and Sexuality Studies, Communication (2020)
Teaching—Chile

Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees
Margaret Luce Young
Neuroscience and Biology, Weinberg (2020)
Study—Germany

Fields Undergraduate Summer Research Program
Ruiqi Pan, ’22
Computer Science and Economics, McCormick
Internship—Canada

Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad
Alexandra De Leon
History, Graduate School
Research—Japan

Lamin Keita
Political Science, Graduate School
Research—Burkina Faso and Senegal

Salih Noor
Political Science, Graduate School
Research—Mozambique, Namibia, and South Africa

Gates Cambridge Scholarship
Nicholas Berlin Swett
Comparative Literary Studies, Weinberg (2016)
Study—United Kingdom

Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship
Brenda Aceves, ’22
Social Policy and Gender and Sexuality Studies, Education and Social Policy
Study—Vietnam
Khalid Ahmed-Abdelmutalab,* ’21
Chemical Engineering and Integrated Science
Program, McCormick
Study—United Kingdom

Jason Anderson, ’22
Economics, Weinberg
Study—Japan

Salma Campos, ’22
Economics, Weinberg
Study—Mexico

Alonso Cisneros, ’22
Social Policy, Education and Social Policy
Study—France

Carlson Emerson, ’21
Economics and Mathematics, Weinberg
Study—Denmark

Abigail Everding, ’22
Linguistics, Weinberg
Study—Turkey

Sarah Fernandez Tabet, ’22
English and French, Weinberg
Study—France

Javon Flatt
Industrial Engineering, McCormick (2020)
Study—South Africa

Eliza Gonring,* ’21
Social Policy, Education and Social Policy
Study—South Africa

Hannah Hernandez, ’22
Psychology, Weinberg
Study—Mexico

Sidney Imeroni, ’21
Psychology, Weinberg
Study—Spain

Vittorio Iocco, ’22
Computer Science and Mathematics, McCormick
Study—United Kingdom

Diamond Jones, ’21
Asian Languages and Cultures, Weinberg
Study—Japan

Sarah Kim, ’22
Biological Sciences, Weinberg
Study—Denmark

Adhya Kumar, ’23
Undeclared, Weinberg
Study—China

Mckenna Lanter, ’22
Human Communication Sciences, Communication
Study—Spain

Timothy Lin, ’22
Economics and Mathematical Methods
in the Social Sciences, Weinberg
Study—Mexico

Olivia Liu, ’22
Philosophy, Weinberg
Study—Switzerland

Monica Lopez, ’22
Biological Sciences, Neurobiology, and Global Health
Studies, Weinberg
Study—United Kingdom

Khadeejah Milhan, ’22
Economics and Sociology, Weinberg
Study—United Kingdom

Gabrielle Olson, ’22
Psychology and Linguistics, Weinberg
Study—France

Giboom Park, ’22
Political Science, International Studies, and History, Weinberg
Study—Spain

Alyssa Peterson, ’21
English and Sociology, Weinberg
Study—Denmark

Mikenzie Roberts, ’23
Human Development and Psychological Services, Education and Social Policy
Study—Argentina

Rafael Enrique Rodriguez, ’21
Computer Science, Weinberg
Study—Spain

Melissa Santoyo, ’23
Journalism and Asian Languages and Cultures, Medill
Study—Japan

Amina Scaletty, ’23
Communication Studies and Sociology, Communication
Study—Japan

Georgia Schafer, ’22
Political Science and Anthropology, Weinberg
Study—Turkey

Thea Showalter, ’23
Wind and Percussion Instruments, Bienen
Study—India

*Awarded in 2018–19
Kiana Staples, ’22
Asian Languages and Cultures, Weinberg
Study—South Korea

Gabrielle Tran, ’22
Neuroscience, Weinberg
Study—China

Aryan Walia, ’23
Biomedical Engineering, McCormick
Study—United Kingdom

Jennifer Wang, ’23
Social Policy, Education and Social Policy
Study—South Korea

Jonathan Wilcoxon, ’22
Journalism and International Studies, Medill
Study—France

Janelle Yanez, ’21
Sociology and English, Weinberg
Study—Vietnam

Government of Ireland International Education Scholarship
Mahito Indi Henderson
Radio/Television/Film and English, Communication (2020)
Study—Ireland

Humanity in Action Fellowship
James Crisafulli
Political Science, Weinberg (2020)
Study—Amsterdam

MEXT Research Student Scholarship
Maxwell Sigal
Biological Sciences and Chemistry, Weinberg (2020)
Research—Japan

National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates
Jason Phelan
Physics and Mathematics, Weinberg (2020)
Internship—Switzerland

Presidential Associates Program
Carter Roland Rothman
International Studies and Political Science, Weinberg (2020)
Internship—Egypt

Princeton in Africa Fellowship
Hannah Sophia Chorley (declined)
Journalism and International Studies, Medill (2020)
Internship

Princeton in Latin America Fellowship
Joseph Charney
Journalism and Psychology, Medill (2020)
Internship—Dominican Republic

Social Science Research Council International Dissertation Research Fellowship
Colin Bos*
History, Graduate School
Research—Nigeria

Sarah Breiter
Anthropology, Graduate School
Research—Singapore

Bright Gyamfi
History, Graduate School
Research—Ghana

Lamin Keita
Anthropology, Graduate School
Research—Ghana

Southeast Asia Research Group Predissertation Fellowship
Mirna Nadia
Sociology, Graduate School
Research—Indonesia

Summer Fellowships for Advanced Turkish Language Study at Boğaziçi University, Istanbul
Abigail Everding, ’22
Linguistics, Weinberg
Study—Turkey

ThinkSwiss Research Scholarship
Sarah Rose Eisenman, ’22
Psychology and Gender and Sexuality Studies, Weinberg
Research—Switzerland

US Teaching Assistantship at Austrian Secondary Schools
Samuel Cole
German and Political Science, Weinberg (2020)
Teaching—Austria

Maya Daiter
German and History, Weinberg (2020)
Teaching—Austria

*Awarded in 2018–19
Domestic Fellowships

**American Association for the Advancement of Science**
**Mass Media Science and Engineering Fellowship**
Allessandra Elizabeth Dicorato*
Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School
*Internship—San Francisco, California

**American Political Science Association Travel Grant**
Yixue Shao*
Political Science, Graduate School
*Study—Washington, DC

**Elmer Baker Student Fellowship**
Maya Cottongim, ’21
Civil Engineering, McCormick
*Internship

**Big Ten Academic Alliance Smithsonian Fellowship**
Jennifer Anne Porter-Lupu
Anthropology, Graduate School
*Research—Washington, DC

**Bowdoin International Music Festival Fellowship Program**
EunAe Lee*
Piano, Bienen (2019)
*Study—Brunswick, Maine

**David L. Clark National Graduate Student Research Seminar in Educational Administration and Policy**
Naomi Blaushild
Human Development and Social Policy, Graduate School
*Research—San Francisco, California

**Coro Fellowship**
James Crisafulli
Political Science, Weinberg (2020)
*Internship—Los Angeles, California

Jillian Hannah Gilburne
Communication Studies and Political Science, Communication (2020)
*Internship—Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

**Des Moines Metro Opera Apprentice Artist**
Emma Gernell Rothfield
Voice and Opera, Bienen (2020)
*Study—Des Moines, Iowa

**Digital Archaeological Archive of Comparative Slavery National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship Program**
Emily Schwalbe
Anthropology, Graduate School
*Research—Charlottesville, Virginia

**James Dunn Fellowship**
Beverly Daniel
*Internship—Springfield, Illinois

Lillian Guo (declined)
*Internship—Springfield, Illinois

**Echoing Green Fellowship**
Shanté Elliott
Learning Sciences, Graduate School
*Entrepreneurship—Chicago, Illinois

**Ethnography Incubator Fellowship**
Philip Jun Fang
Sociology, Graduate School
*Study—Chicago, Illinois

**FAO Schwarz Fellowship**
Serena Lisette Salgado
Anthropology and Global Health Studies, Weinberg (2020)
*Internship—Boston, Massachusetts

**Govern for America**
Jillian Hannah Gilburne (declined)
Communication Studies and Political Science, Communication (2020)
*Internship—Baton Rouge, Louisiana

**Government Performance Lab Fellowship**
Lars Benson
Political Science, Weinberg (2018)
*Internship—Hartford, Connecticut

**Kleiner Perkins Fellows**
Abizar Bagasrawala
Computer Science, Weinberg (2020)
*Internship—San Francisco, California

**Jay and Deborah Last Fellowship in American Visual Culture**
Rebekah Bryer, ’22
Theater and Drama, Graduate School
*Research—Worcester, Massachusetts

*Awarded in 2018–19
William J. Lowenberg Memorial Fellowship on America, the Holocaust, and the Jews
Alissa Elias Schapiro
Art History, Graduate School
Research—Washington, DC

Lucas Fellows
Rashayla Marie Brown
Performance Studies, Graduate School
Research—Saratoga, California

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship in Latino Studies
Stephen Sullivan
Anthropology, Graduate School
Study—Santa Fe, New Mexico

Andrew W. Mellon Summer Academy
Coco Wenke Huang, ’22
Performance Studies and Art History, Communication
Internship—Chicago, Illinois

Mellon Undergraduate Curatorial Fellowship
Isabella Chia-I Ko*
Art History, Weinberg (2020)
Internship—Chicago, Illinois

Mellon University Press Diversity Fellowship
Erika Barrios
English, Weinberg (2020)
Internship—Cambridge, Massachusetts

National Institutes of Health Postbaccalaureate Intramural Research Training Award
Rowan Khalid Hussein
Neuroscience, Weinberg (2019)
Internship—Bethesda, Maryland

National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates
Paul Timothy Brown, ’21
Materials Science and Engineering and Art History, McCormick
Internship—Cambridge, Massachusetts

Souradip Ghosh, ’21
Computer Science, Weinberg
Internship—Evanston, Illinois

Joo Seung Lee, ’21
Mathematics and Computer Science, Weinberg
Internship—Storrs, Connecticut

New York Times Fellowship
Troy Closson
Journalism, Medill (2020)
Internship—New York, New York

Lisa and Jerry O’Brien Curatorial Fellowship
Meghan Considine
Performance Studies and Art History, Communication (2020)
Internship—Minneapolis, Minnesota

Omidyar Complexity Postdoctoral Fellowship
Yuanzhao Zhang
Physics and Astronomy, Graduate School
Research—Santa Fe, New Mexico

Brooke Owens Fellowship
Victoria Woodburn, ’21
Journalism and Psychology, Medill
Internship—Greenbelt, Maryland

Palantir Women in Technology Scholarship
Joo Seung Lee, ’21
Mathematics and Computer Science, Weinberg
Internship—Palo Alto, California

Lada Nuzhna, ’22
Computer Science, McCormick
Internship—Palo Alto, California

Project Horseshoe Farm Fellowship
Mary Cormier
Neuroscience, Weinberg (2020)
Internship—Pomona, California

Pooja Kanthawar
Internship—Greensboro, Alabama

Lorna Teresa Sanchez McCann (declined)
Biological Sciences and Neurobiology, Weinberg (2019)
Internship—Pomona, California

*Awarded in 2018–19
Rauschenberg Residency
Thomas Love
Art History, Graduate School
Research—Captiva Island, Florida

Mlondolozi Bradley Zondi
Performance Studies, Graduate School
Research—Captiva Island, Florida

Report for America Corps
Madeline Burakoff
Journalism and Spanish, Medill (2020)
Internship—Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Rebecca Zosia Dernbach
Editorial Journalism, Medill
Internship—St. Paul, Minnesota

Piper Hudspeth Blackburn
Editorial Journalism, Medill
Internship—Louisville, Kentucky

Kristina Karisch
Journalism and Political Science, Medill (2020)
Internship—Modesto, California

Patricia Nieberg
Editorial Journalism, Medill
Internship—Denver, Colorado

Alexander Schwartz
Journalism and Environmental Policy and Culture, Medill (2020)
Internship—Klamath Falls, Oregon

University of Texas Press Publishing Fellowship
Erika Barrios (declined)
English, Weinberg (2020)
Internship—Austin, Texas

US Department of Energy Science Undergraduate Laboratory Internship
Audrey Nell Angelos*
Chemical Engineering, McCormick (2020)
Internship—Golden, Colorado

Paul Timothy Brown, ’21 (declined)
Materials Science and Engineering and Art History, McCormick
Internship—Berkeley, California

Leonidas Georgopoulos, ’22
Materials Science and Engineering, McCormick
Internship—Oak Ridge, Tennessee

Alvin Tan*
Computer Engineering, Economics, and Mathematics, McCormick (2020)
Internship—Oak Ridge, Tennessee

Venture for America Fellowship
Matthew Faden
Communication Studies and Business Institutions Program, Communication (2017)
Internship—Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution Summer Student Fellowship
Fang Ming Cassia Cai, ’21
Earth and Planetary Sciences and Geography, Weinberg
Internship—Woods Hole, Massachusetts

Symposium on Computer Science and Law Travel Grant
Peter Chan
Computer Science, Graduate School
Study—New York, New York

Symposium on the Theory of Computing Student Travel Grant
Aravind Reddy Talla*
Computer Science, Graduate School
Study—Phoenix, Arizona

*Awarded in 2018–19
On-Campus Fellowships

Acta Materialia Inc. Undergraduate Scholarship
William Jeang
Materials Science and Engineering, McCormick (2020)

Peter Agris Memorial Journalism Scholarship
Nikki Leah Baim
Journalism and Legal Studies, Medill (2020)

American Bar Foundation/Northwestern University Doctoral Fellowship in Law and Social Science
Kumar Ramanathan
Political Science, Graduate School

American Heart Association Predoctoral Fellowship
Triet Minh Bui
Clinical Investigation, Graduate School

Ninghe Cai*
Neuroscience, Graduate School

Shang-Yang Chen*
Driskill Graduate Program in Life Sciences, Feinberg

Julie Anne Fischer
Driskill Graduate Program in Life Sciences, Feinberg

Emily Pinheiro
Driskill Graduate Program in Life Sciences, Feinberg

Thomas Arend Plaisier
Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School

Fandi Shi
Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School

Tianjiao Sun*
Driskill Graduate Program in Life Sciences, Feinberg

Belmont University Fellows Program
Michelle Elaine Shaw
Communication Studies, Graduate School

Burroughs Wellcome Fund Postdoctoral Enrichment Program
Nisan Michael Hubbard
Biological Sciences, Graduate School

Chau Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship
Mohammad Bilal Nasir
Anthropology, Graduate School

Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange Doctoral Fellowship
Philip Jul Fang (declined)
Sociology, Graduate School

Lantian Li
Sociology, Graduate School

Yixue Shao*
Political Science, Graduate School

Child Care Research Scholars Program
Olivia Healy*
Human Development and Social Policy, Graduate School

China Times Cultural Foundation Young Scholar Award
Lantian Li
Sociology, Graduate School

Dartmouth College Society of Fellows Postdoctoral Fellowship
Joshua Kaiser
Sociology, Graduate School; Law, Pritzker

Earl B. Dickerson Fellowship
Atinuke Adediran*
Sociology, Graduate School (held at University of Chicago)

Farwell Trust Award
Hazel Gladys Friedman
Piano, Bienen (2020)

Future Investigators in NASA Earth and Space Science and Technology
Howard Chen*
Earth and Planetary Sciences, Graduate School

Aprajita Hajela*
Astronomy, Graduate School

Gaius Charles Bolin Dissertation Fellowship
Arturo Chang
Political Science, Graduate School (held at Williams College)

GEM Associate Fellow
Gabrielle Cole*
Electrical Engineering, Graduate School

Stefany Cruz*
Computer Engineering, Graduate School

*Awarded in 2018–19
GEM Full Fellow
Kelis Humm
Biomedical Engineering and Global Health Studies, McCormick (2019)

Xitlali Juarez*
Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School

Collette Kawagley*
Mechanical Engineering, Graduate School

Victor Ozoh*
Robotics, McCormick

Tiffany Price*
Mechanical Engineering, Graduate School

Sergio Servantez
Computer Science, Graduate School

Grand Prize Virtuoso International Music Competition, First Prize
Marisa Ines Sardo*
String Instruments, Bienen (2020)

Ernest F. Hollings Undergraduate Scholarship
Lauren Catherine Chandler-Holtz, '22
Psychology and Mathematics, Weinberg

Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy Grant
Arielle Tolman
Sociology, Graduate School; Law, Pritzker

Humane Studies Fellowship
Safa Al-Saeedi
Political Science, Graduate School

Illinois Space Grant Consortium Scholarship
Beverly Lowell
Physics, Graduate School

Journeyman Fellowship
Jennifer Anne Glerum*
Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School

Kevontrez Jones
Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Graduate School

Henry Soewardiman
Mechanical Engineering, Graduate School

Kendall Family Memorial Scholarship
Gabriel Guzman
Performance Studies, Graduate School

King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals Scholarship
Abdulwahab Abdulrahman Al Luhaibi*
Physics, Graduate School

Ruth L. Kirschstein Individual Predoctoral National Research Service Award for MD/PhD and Other Dual-Degree Fellowships (F30)
Bilal Abdulrahman Naved
Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School

Meghan Jo Orr
Chemistry, Graduate School

Wesley Peng
Neuroscience, Graduate School

Lynn Ren
Neuroscience, Graduate School

Michael Baran Scott
Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School

Ruth L. Kirschstein Predoctoral Individual National Research Service Award (F31)
Amy Adkins
Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School

Margarette Clevenger
Driskill Graduate Program in Life Sciences, Feinberg

Elizabeth Daley
Neuroscience, Graduate School

Tina Gupta
Psychology, Graduate School

Molly Hermiller
Neuroscience, Graduate School

Allison Hilger
Communication Sciences and Disorders, Graduate School

Michael Iorga
Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School

Phoebe Hok-Yee Lam
Psychology, Graduate School

Megan Yasemin Nas
Driskill Graduate Program in Life Sciences, Feinberg

Emily Pinheiro
Driskill Graduate Program in Life Sciences, Feinberg

Isabella Marie Salamone*
Driskill Graduate Program in Life Sciences, Feinberg

*Awarded in 2018–19
Takuma Sonoda*
Neuroscience, Graduate School
David Isaiah Swygart*
Neuroscience, Graduate School
Teresa Vargas
Psychology, Graduate School
Hayley Virginia White*
Neuroscience, Graduate School
Lindsay Paige Zimmerman
Health Sciences Integrated PhD Program, Feinberg

LifeWorks Scholarship
Gabriel Guzman
Performance Studies, Graduate School

Luminarts Cultural Foundation
Fellow in Classical Music
Nansong Huang*
Piano Performance and Pedagogy, Bienen

Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders
Rashayla Marie Brown
Performance Studies, Graduate School

Massachusetts Institute of Technology Diversity Predoctoral Fellowship
Misty Bernadette De Berry*
Performance Studies, Graduate School

Maria Goeppert Mayer Fellowship
Katherine Harmon
Applied Physics, Graduate School

Mellon/American Council of Learned Societies Dissertation Completion Fellowship
Philip Jun Fang
Sociology, Graduate School
Zhiqiu Benson Zhou (declined)
Communication Studies, Graduate School

Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship Program
Misty Bernadette De Berry
Performance Studies, Graduate School
(declined)

Merola Opera Program Young Artist
Gabrielle Anne Barkidjija
Voice and Opera, Bienen (2020)

Music Teachers National Association East Central Division Chamber Winds Competition, First Place
Christopher Lawrence Forbes*
Wind and Percussion Instruments, Bienen (2020)
Julian Spencer Velasco*
Wind and Percussion Instruments, Bienen (2020)

NASA Hubble Fellowship Program
Michael Joseph Zevin
Physics and Astronomy, Graduate School
(held at University of Chicago)

NASA Human Research Program Grant Augmentation Competition for Students and Postdocs
William Brennan Antone
Industrial Engineering and Management Sciences, Graduate School
Niloufar Izadinia
Industrial Engineering and Management Sciences, Graduate School

National Academy of Education/Spencer Foundation Dissertation Fellowship Program
Julissa Muñiz
Human Development and Social Policy, Graduate School
Hafsa Oubou
Anthropology, Graduate School
Cora Wigger
Human Development and Social Policy, Graduate School

National Arts Centre Young Artists Program
Sae Rheen Lynn Kim*
String Instruments, Bienen (2020)

National Association of Teachers of Singing Chicago Chapter Student Auditions
Classical Women College Fourth- and Fifth-Year College/Independent Studio Treble, First Place
Shannon Rose Johnson
Voice and Opera and English, Bienen (2020)

National Association of Teachers of Singing Chicago Chapter Student Auditions Classical Women College Second- and Third-Year Division, First Place
Shannon Rose Johnson*
Voice and Opera and English, Bienen (2020)

*Awarded in 2018–19
National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship
Margrethe Boyd*
Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School
Holly Ekas*
Chemical Engineering, Graduate School
Luke Peterson
Mathematics and Physics, Weinberg (2019)
(held at University of Colorado Boulder)

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Biomedical Engineering, Graduate School
Holly Ekas*
Chemical Engineering, Graduate School
Luke Peterson
Mathematics and Physics, Weinberg (2019)
(held at University of Colorado Boulder)

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program
Chloe Archuleta
Chemical Engineering, Graduate School
Dipayan Banerjee
Industrial Engineering and Mathematics, McCormick (2019)
(held at Georgia Institute of Technology)
Marisa Ravena Bisram
Mechanical Engineering, Graduate School
Leah Elizabeth Borgsmiller
Materials Science and Engineering, McCormick (2020)
Jonathan Boucher
Interdisciplinary Biological Sciences, Graduate School
Paige Joann Brown
Chemistry, Graduate School
Austin Drake Bryan
Anthropology, Graduate School
Christopher Callahan
Environmental Sciences, Weinberg (2018)
(held at Dartmouth College)
Lindsey Elise Chaney
Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School
Ross Chu
(held at University of California, Berkeley)
Lisa Marie Cox
Linguistics, Graduate School
Melody Chen Guo
Chemistry, Weinberg (2020)
(held at Yale University)
Claire Hilburger
Biomedical Engineering, McCormick (2019)
(held at University of California, Berkeley)
Zoheb Hirani
Chemistry, Graduate School
Sohyeon Hwang
Media, Technology, and Society, Graduate School
William Jeang
Materials Science and Engineering, McCormick (2020)
(held at Massachusetts Institute of Technology)
Julia Grace Knapp
Chemistry, Graduate School
Lidia Kuo
Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School
Nicholas LaGrassa
Computer Science and Learning Sciences, Graduate School
Breniel Quebral Lemley
Media, Technology, and Society, Graduate School
Maya Danielle Lennon
Media, Technology, and Society, Graduate School
Beverly Lowell
Physics, Graduate School
Kyle Daniel Miller
Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School
Rachel Ka Yan Ng
Biological Sciences and Political Science, Weinberg (2017)
(held at Stanford University)
Shobhana Panuganti
Chemistry, Graduate School
Katarina Popovic
Mechanical Engineering, Graduate School
Olivia Anna Prado
Biomedical Engineering and Global Health Studies, McCormick (2020)
(held at University of Washington)
Michael William Ray
Interdisciplinary Biological Sciences, Graduate School
Katherine Anna Su
Materials Science and Engineering, McCormick (2020)
(held at University of Wisconsin–Madison)
Rita Lynn Taylor
(held at Washington University in St. Louis)
Jordan Philip Todes
(held at University of Chicago)
Gordon Curtis Younkin
Chemistry and Environmental Sciences, Weinberg (2016)
(held at Cornell University)

*Awarded in 2018–19
Neporany Doctoral Fellowship
Lev Daschko
History, Graduate School

Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship
Guangshuo Yang
History, Graduate School

Jean Paul Ohadi Foundation Fellowship
Gabriel Guzman
Performance Studies, Graduate School

Polish American Foundation Scholarship
Nell Borys
Biological Sciences and Russian and East European Studies, Weinberg (2020)
Joseph Grzybek, '21
Chemistry and Global Health Studies, Weinberg
Kamila Postolowicz, '21
Human Communication Sciences and Spanish, Communication
William Wicker, '21
Slavic Languages and Literatures, Weinberg

Rhonda A. Saad Prize for Best Paper in Modern and Contemporary Arab Art
Maryam Athari
Art History, Graduate School

George Sharswood Fellowship
Felipe Ford Cole
History, Graduate School; Law, Pritzker
(held at University of Pennsylvania)

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Doctoral Fellowship
Owen Brown
Political Science, Graduate School
Dexter Fergie*
History, Graduate School

Taiwanese Government Scholarship for Study Abroad
Tzuchen Liu*
Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School

US Department of Energy Office of Science Graduate Fellowship Program
Connor Carr*
Materials Science and Engineering, Graduate School

Weatherford College International Piano Competition, First Prize
Asana Michelle Onishi*
Piano, Bienen (2020)

Jason Wohlmuth Scholarship Award
Gabriel Guzman
Performance Studies, Graduate School

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A sampling of this year’s graduate student winners

Performance studies PhD student Rashayla Marie Brown enjoyed a remarkable year of securing external funding, winning the Embassy of Foreign Artists, Lucas Fellows, and Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders awards. A filmmaker and performance artist in her own right, Brown studies how contemporary art markets influence arts education.

Arturo Chang, a PhD candidate in political science, begins a postdoctoral placement at Williams College in Williamstown, Massachusetts, as a recipient of the Gaius Charles Bolin Dissertation Fellowship. Chang’s dissertation research focuses on revolutionary movements, nation building, popular political thought, and postcolonial projects in the Americas.

After earning a master’s degree at Oxford University, Bright Gyamfi began a PhD in history at Northwestern and this year landed two awards: the Fulbright US Student Program and the Social Science Research Council International Dissertation Research Fellowship. They will support his research on West African intellectual history, nationalism, pan-Africanism, and institutes of African studies.

Alongside her work with chemistry professor Omar Farha’s research group, Julia Knapp explores the properties of actinides through incorporation into metal-organic frameworks for her research as a chemistry PhD student. This year Knapp is one of several Wildcats to win funding for doctoral studies through the prestigious National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program.

Hafsa Oubou, a PhD candidate in anthropology, received support for her research through a grant from the National Academy of Education/Spencer Foundation Dissertation Fellowship Program. She is examining the controversies regarding the teaching of Islam in francophone Belgium’s public education system as a way of exploring the question of Islam in Europe today.

When political science PhD candidate Kumar Ramanathan isn’t shooting hoops or riding his bike around Chicago, he’s working on his dissertation, with support from the American Bar Foundation/Northwestern University Doctoral Fellowship in Law and Social Science. Ramanathan’s research focuses on civil rights, social policy, and immigration policy in the United States.

Yuanzhao Zhang, a graduate of Zhejiang University and a PhD candidate in physics, seeks new theories for predicting collective behavior in complex systems, making him an ideal candidate for the Omidyar Complexity Postdoctoral Fellowship. Zhang also landed a Schmidt Science Fellows award, which will help him pivot from his PhD topic and achieve greater interdisciplinarity in his research.