

Fellowships Program Information Sheet – Fall Application for Nomination

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Where nomination or endorsement is required, we work with others on campus to make selections and provide campus support for our endorsed candidates.

US citizens may apply for all opportunities listed below. Goldwater and Udall apply a slightly broader definition of citizenship eligibility (but still focused on attachment to the US).

Fellowships Requiring Smith Nomination:

All principal fellowships requiring nomination or endorsement are listed in this [quick summary](#), together with the main benefits of each fellowship.

Beinecke

– juniors apply – [foundation weblink](#) – [information sheet](#)

Goldwater

– STEM sophomores & juniors apply – [foundation weblink](#) – [information sheet](#)

Truman

– juniors apply – [foundation weblink](#) – [information sheet](#)

Udall

– sophomores & juniors apply – [foundation weblink](#) – [information sheet](#)

Applying for Smith Support:

Make your internal Application for Smith Support using the form here: [appln4support](#) or scan the QR link here to the right to reach the internal application

Here's what the internal application involves:

[All questions](#) – [Example of email applicant gets](#) – [Example of email recommender gets](#)

Make sure you note the requirements for “Additional Materials” for each award.



Talk with your advisers before you apply for nomination. In particular, make sure that the person you ask for a recommendation knows you are applying, why, and what you hope the fellowship will permit you to do.

Special instructions for completing the Application for Support form:

- **Goldwater: You should use the Application for Support form only to apply for a Goldwater.**
 - If you also want to apply for a Beinecke, Truman, or Udall, you will need to complete a separate Application for Support (Why? Because the Goldwater focus on natural science research demands quite different responses than the others).
 - **Please register and complete the pre-application form on the Goldwater website.** Doing so will ensure you receive updates about the application from the Goldwater Foundation. Look at Goldwater's [Eligibility Criteria](#) and [FAQs](#) before you complete your Application for Support and the Goldwater pre-application.
 - **“Additional Materials”:** Please prepare a draft of how you would respond to the Goldwater research essay requirement. This document should be uploaded in pdf format in response to Question 6.5 of the Application for Support. Discuss your prior or current research experience: describe the issue or problem; discuss your research methodology; discuss your findings. The research essay requirement is explained in these [notes \(step 4\)](#), including formatting.
- **Udall: You should use the Application for Support form only to apply for a Udall.**
 - If you also want to apply for a Beinecke, Goldwater, or Truman, you will need to complete a separate Application for Support (Why? Because the Udall focus on the environment is distinctive in its requirements).

- If you are interested in the Udall, email Margaret Lamb with the request that she register you. This will permit you to explore the application in detail and – once you are selected for nomination – begin the application itself. A pdf of the application can be found via the foundation’s [application page](#).
- Make sure you complete the Application for Support’s policy question in a way consistent with the selection criteria for the Udall.
- **“Additional Materials”:** Please prepare a draft of how you would respond to the Udall public service prompt: “Describe briefly your most significant public service, community, or campus activities associated with your interests in the environment [or tribal public policy or Native American health care] in which you regularly participate.” This document should be uploaded in pdf format in response to Question 6.5 of the Application for Support.
- **You may apply for Beinecke & Truman nominations in one Application for Support form.**
 - You may peruse the [application requirements for the Beinecke](#) on the Foundation’s website.
 - If you are interested in the Truman, email Margaret Lamb with the request that she register you. This will permit you to explore the external application in detail and – once you are selected for nomination – begin the online application itself. A pdf of the application can be found via the foundation’s [sample application](#).
 - **Beinecke “Additional Materials”:** Please upload a [draft personal statement](#) in pdf format in response to Question 6.5 of the internal Application for Support.
 - **Truman “Additional Materials”:** Please upload as a pdf document your draft answers to [Truman Q8 \(discuss a particularly satisfying public service activity\)](#) and [Q9 \(discuss the problem or social need you want to address in public service\)](#) as your answer to Question 6.5 of the Application for Support. [More details about the Truman application](#).
 - If you wish to be considered for both Beinecke and Truman, please prepare your answers for Question 6.5 to be uploaded in ONE pdf document.

Deadlines:

Fellowship	Express intention to apply by ...	Formal application for nomination by ...	Green light to proceed with complete application	Internal deadline for complete application	Deadline for letters of recommendation [# letters required]	External deadline
Beinecke	November-December 2021	11/29/2021	12/11/2021	1/10/2022	1/20/2022 [3]	2/9/2022 (requires formal College nomination letter)
Goldwater	Early November 2021	11/15/2021	12/11/2021	1/10/2022	1/20/2022 [3]	1/28/2022 (requires formal College nomination summary)
Truman	Early November 2021	11/15/2021	12/11/2021	1/10/2022	1/20/2022 [3]	Tbc 2/1/2022 (requires formal College nomination letter)
Udall	November-December 2021	1/5/2022	1/24/2022	2/7/2022	2/14/2022 [3]	Tbc 3/1/22

The red deadlines are the most important ones for you to work to. For nominations by the College we have to do a final review and complete nomination letters or statements. Letters require consultation with faculty and administrators after they have reviewed the complete application – the candidate’s formal application and letters of recommendation. This last block of work is why internal deadlines fall well ahead of external deadlines.

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