



Noyce Scholars Program, Phase II

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The Robert Noyce Scholars program is a National Science Foundation (NSF) funded (DUE 1239827) program to provide scholarships to students who are committed to teaching *mathematics* in high need school districts upon the completion of the credential program at Cal Poly. The main goal of the program is to increase the number of teachers with strong science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) content knowledge in high need school districts. The Cal Poly Noyce Scholars Program will offer two scholarship options.

Two-year scholarships

Two-year scholarships will be awarded to 3 mathematics majors per year beginning with the 2015-2016 academic year and concluding with the 2016-2017 academic year. The two-year scholarships will be for the final year of the recipient's undergraduate program at Cal Poly and their one-year credential program. The scholarships will be for \$12,000 per year.

One-year scholarships

One-year scholarships will be awarded to STEM professionals and graduates who are committed to teaching mathematics in high need school districts. Three awards per year will be made beginning with the 2013-2014 academic year and concluding with the 2016-2017 academic year. These \$12,000 awards will be made to current STEM professionals who wish to change careers or to recent graduates from STEM disciplines that wish to pursue a single subject credential in mathematics.

Scholarship Requirements

Scholarship recipients are required to teach two-years in a high need school district for each year of scholarship accepted. The NSF defines high-need school districts as having at least one of the following:

- a high percentage of individuals from families with incomes below the poverty line;
- a high percentage of secondary school teachers not teaching in the content area in which they were trained to teach; or
- a high teacher turnover rate.

Qualifications

Scholarships will be awarded to students entering their final undergraduate year or beginning the credential program at Cal Poly. Applications will be accepted from students with a GPA of 2.7 or higher.

Applications

Applications are due April 17, 2015. For application information contact Dr. Todd Grundmeier at tgrundme@calpoly.edu or see the Noyce scholarship website at: <http://cesame.calpoly.edu/content/noyce-scholars-programs-mathematics-and-science>.