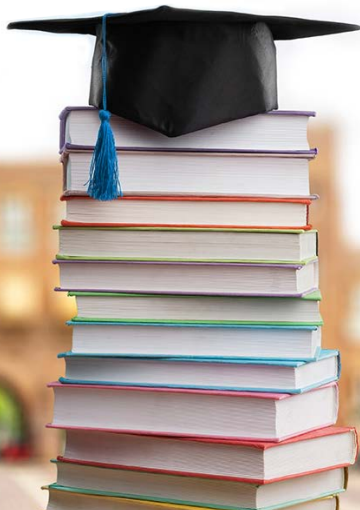


Who We Are

The Science, Mathematics, and Research for Transformation (SMART) Scholarship-for-Service Program, funded by the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD), is a distinguished education and workforce development opportunity for aspiring leaders in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). The SMART Program provides merit-based scholarship opportunities for students pursuing STEM degrees at the bachelor's, master's, and doctoral levels, to include incoming college freshmen.

Students who receive the SMART Scholarship become SMART scholars, joining a dynamic community of driven individuals dedicated to advancing research and innovation in SMART STEM disciplines. They receive comprehensive benefits, including full tuition, annual stipends, summer internships, and civilian employment with the DoD upon graduation, forging a lasting professional network while gaining valuable academic support and hands-on experience.

By providing a pathway to education and an impactful career, the SMART Program accelerates the transition from STEM student to seasoned STEM professional, empowering the research leaders of tomorrow to focus on their passions today.








SMART Scholarship STEM Disciplines

- Aerospace and Aeronautical Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering
- Biosciences
- Chemical Engineering
- Chemistry
- Civil Engineering
- Cognitive, Neural, and Behavioral Sciences
- Computer Science and Engineering
- Data Science and Analytics
- Electrical Engineering
- Geosciences
- Industrial and Systems Engineering
- Information Sciences
- Materials Science and Engineering
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Meet Our Scholars

“ The SMART Scholarship allowed me the freedom to choose my own research journey throughout my master's and Ph.D. in electrical engineering at UCLA during Phase 1. During Phase 2 at NIWC Pacific in San Diego, California, I commenced my career from day one already being familiar with the Advanced Photonic Technologies Branch and my mentor.

– **Carlos Torres Jr., Ph.D.**
MS/Ph.D., Electrical Engineering



“ Before being a part of the SMART Program, I had no idea what I would want to do with my degree once I graduated. The SMART Program has not only fueled my motivation to graduate faster, but it has also helped me figure out a five-year plan that has me looking forward to what is to come once I graduate.

– **Brandy Redic**
BS, Computer Science and Engineering



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Collaborate with the international scientific community on research with global impacts.

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Receive funding to design and implement innovative research efforts.

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SMART Scholarship Benefits

-  Full Tuition
-  \$30,000 - \$46,000 Annual Stipend
-  Book & Health Allowance
-  Summer Internships
-  Experienced Mentor
-  DoD Civilian Employment

Eligibility

- U.S. Citizen
- 18 or Older by January 1 Following the Award Start Date
- Minimum 3.0 GPA
- Planning to Attend, or Enrolled in, a U.S. Accredited College
- Pursuing a Degree in STEM
- Able to Obtain and Maintain a Security Clearance

Program Requirements

- 1 - 5 Years of Degree Funding
- Complete Summer Internships (Multi-Year Scholars Only)
- Accept Department of Defense Civilian Employment After Graduation

Frequently Asked Questions

What is Scholarship-for-Service? Recipients receive full-tuition coverage for their education in exchange for a commitment to work as a Department of Defense civilian.

What is the Service Commitment? Scholars commit to one year of Department of Defense civilian employment for every year of SMART-sponsored degree funding.

How Do I Apply? Applications are open annually beginning August 1. Visit smartscholarship.org for more information.