



Noyce Scholarship Application

SECTION I. – RECIPIENT

Please Print:

NAME _____ STUDENT ID # _____

ADDRESS _____
street city state zip

DATE OF BIRTH _____ PHONE # _____
month-day-year (area code) number

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

- PROGRAM (please select one)
- Undergraduate Science with secondary curriculum of Education
 - Undergraduate Mathematics with secondary curriculum of Education
 - Graduate – Curriculum & Instruction - Secondary Science
 - Graduate – Curriculum & Instruction - Secondary Mathematics

RECOMMENDATIONS AND ESSAY - Applicants should submit a personal essay and three letters of recommendation.

Recommendations - Recommendations should come from educators, employers, or other professionals qualified to provide insight about your candidacy (personal acquaintances or family members are not appropriate references).

For those applying to the graduate program, the three letters that you submitted as part of your application to the School of Education will suffice.

For undergraduates, the recommendations should be submitted to: Dr. Paul Heideman, Department of Biology, The College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA 23187-8795.

Personal Essay - The personal essay should specifically address (A) your interest in teaching in high-need schools, (B) any experiences you have had that might be relevant, (C) experiences or achievements that might show potential for success in teaching in high-need schools, and (D) your understanding of what your two-year commitment to teach in a high-need school system would entail for you. This is a serious and important commitment of a Noyce Scholarship, and your statement should reflect your understanding of and comfort with it.

For those applying to the graduate program, the essay that accompanies your application to the School of Education will suffice, so long as it addresses the items above. Alternatively, you may submit a separate

Noyce essay to Dorothy Osborne, Assistant Dean of Academic Programs & Student Services, School of Education, dot.osborne@wm.edu.

Undergraduates should submit their personal statement to Dr. Paul Heideman, pdheid@wm.edu.

All applicants are also encouraged to discuss their candidacy with the Program Manager, Dr. Paul Heideman: 757-221-2239, pdheid@wm.edu.

SECTION II. INSTITUTION SECTION

The College of William and Mary
PO Box 8795
Williamsburg, VA 23187-8795

Program Manager: Dr. Paul Heideman

SECTION III. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A. Applicable Law

This grant is awarded pursuant to the authority of the National Science Foundation Act 1950, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1861-75), and is subject to Federal Demonstration Partnership General Terms and Conditions (FDP-III, dated 07/01/00) and the NSF Agency-Specific Requirements (dated 07/01/00).

B. Purpose of the Scholarship--the Recipient's Service Obligation

In recognition of the critical correlation between teacher quality, including mastery of content knowledge, and student achievement, the Robert Noyce Scholarship Program (RNSP), named for a pioneer of semiconductor development and founder of the semiconductor industry, seeks to encourage talented mathematics, science, and engineering students and STEM professionals to pursue teaching careers. Grants to institutions of higher education provide funds for scholarships for STEM students who commit to teaching in K-12 schools.

Consistent with the requirements of the funding provided by NSF, the recipient accepts the scholarship with the understanding that it carries with it a service obligation. More specifically, in exchange for the scholarship, the recipient agrees upon graduating from the College of William and Mary (W&M), and completing the W&M teacher certification program, to teach in a "high-need local educational agency" (see definition below) for two years for each year of the scholarship assistance. The recipient understands that the period of time for which he or she receives scholarship assistance will be determined in comparison to full-time employment in the teacher preparation program (exclusive of summers). Similarly, the recipient understands that the period of time he or she must teach in a high-need public school will be determined in comparison to what the school district considers to be teaching on a full-time basis. Full-time basis does not include summers or optional intersession periods for those school districts that operate year-round programs. The total service obligation must be completed within six (6) years after graduation from W&M.

C. Recipient's Retention of Scholarship Assistance for Meeting the Service Obligation

The recipient does not have to repay to the College of William and Mary the scholarship provided with funds under the NSF Grant Award if W&M determines that the recipient has fulfilled his or her service obligation. To determine that the recipient has met the service obligation, W&M must receive information to confirm that the recipient, within six (6) years of graduation from W&M, taught in a high need local education agency for at least two years

for each year the recipient received this scholarship assistance. So that W&M may obtain the information it needs to make these determinations, the recipient agrees to have the school district in which he or she has taught provide to W&M information as W&M may require that confirms:

1. The school in which the recipient has taught is "high-need" as defined in the "Definition of High-Need Local Education Agency" below; and
2. The recipient taught on a full-time basis.

Before the recipient graduates, W&M will provide the recipient written guidance that explains the information the recipient must have the school(s) provide W&M and the date or dates that this information is due.

[NOTE: To prevent a scholarship recipient becoming liable for repaying the scholarship with interest (as described below) because of a school district's delay in forwarding the required employment information to W&M, W&M also will accept employment information directly from the recipient. In this case, within six (6) years of graduation from W&M, the scholarship recipient must submit to W&M (1) a notarized statement that he or she has asked the district(s) to provide the needed information and the date(s) this request was made, and (2) a copy of the personal and employment information each school has been asked to submit. When a scholarship recipient chooses the second option, W&M 's determination that s/he is meeting the service obligation is only provisional. Until each school provides the information, the scholarship recipient retains a continuing responsibility to work to get each school to submit it as soon as possible.]

D. Definition of High-Need Local Educational Agency

For the purposes of this agreement, a "high-need local education agency" is a public school district that meets one of the following definitions:

1. It has at least one school in which 50 percent or more of the enrolled students are eligible for participation in the free and reduced lunch program established by the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C.1751 et seq.),
2. It has at least one school in which: (i) more than 34 percent of the academic classroom teachers at the secondary level (across all academic subjects) do not have an undergraduate degree with a major or minor in, or graduate degree in, the academic field in which they teach the largest percentage of their classes; or (ii) more than 34 percent of the teachers in two academic departments do not have an undergraduate degree with a major or minor in, or a graduate degree in the academic field in which they teach the largest percentage of their classes.
3. It has at least one school whose teacher attrition rate has been 15 percent or more over the last three school years.

E. Repayment for Failure to Meet Service Obligation

The recipient agrees to repay to W&M the amount of the scholarship plus interest at the applicable annual federal rate (<https://fiscal.treasury.gov/cmia/resources-annual-interest-rates.html>) if he or she does not--

1. Meet the service obligation or reporting requirements identified above in "Recipient's Retention of Scholarship Assistance for Meeting the Service Obligation;" or
2. Receive a waiver or suspension of this obligation as explained below in "Discharge of a Required Payment."

If the scholarship recipient does not fulfill his or her service obligation within six (6) years by teaching for two years in a high-need local educational agency for each year he or she received scholarship support, the recipient becomes obligated to fully repay the scholarship with interest as described above within six (6) years after his or her date of graduation from W&M. If the scholarship recipient withdraws from W&M prior to graduation, the recipient becomes obligated to repay the scholarship with interest as described above six (6) months after his or her withdrawal from W&M.

If upon graduation from W&M, the scholarship recipient teaches in a high-need local educational agency for a period that is less than the period of his or her service obligation, the recipient becomes responsible for repayment with interest as described above of the percentage of the period for which the service obligation was not fulfilled.

Example: An individual receives a scholarship in the total amount of \$10,000 to attend W&M. The individual graduates from W&M and works in a high-need local educational agency for one full school year. The individual then moves and takes a teaching position in a school district that is not high-need.

If the individual remains in the district that is not high-need, then six (6) years after graduation, the individual has fulfilled one-half of his or her service obligation and so must immediately repay one-half of the scholarship plus interest on that one-half of the scholarship.

Until the scholarship recipient either satisfies the service obligation or repays the scholarship, the recipient agrees to provide W&M a current home address and telephone number and a current work address and telephone number, as well as other needed identifying information. In addition, the recipient understands that W&M and the high-need LEA are or will be using the recipient's social security number so that W&M can, if necessary, secure payment of these amounts from the recipient if he or she fails to meet the service obligation.

F. Collection of Defaulted Repayment Obligation

Default will be determined and repayment will be collected as described in this agreement signed by the scholarship recipient at this time. All repaid scholarship funds, less grantee administrative costs associated with collection of the repayment not to exceed 5% of the forfeited amount, will be returned to the United States Treasury.

G. Discharge of a Required Repayment

W&M will waive or suspend an obligation to repay the scholarship of a scholarship recipient who has died or who demonstrates to W&M's satisfaction that, because of permanent physical or mental disability or some other extraordinary circumstance, he or she is not employable as a teacher.

Upon receipt of acceptable documentation and approval of the discharge request, W&M returns to the scholarship recipient, or for a discharge of death, the recipient's estate, those payments received after the date the eligibility requirements for the discharge were met and prior to the date the discharge was approved. W&M also returns any payments received after the date the discharge was approved.

H. Exit Conference

Before the recipient graduates or withdraws from W&M, W&M will provide the recipient an opportunity to review fully the terms and conditions of this scholarship.

Section IV: Confirmation

I certify that the information I have provided is truthful and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. If admitted, I agree to abide by the Honor Code and the rules of the College of William and Mary and the School of Education. I certify that I have read, understand, and agree to the terms and conditions of this Scholarship agreement.

Signature of Scholarship Recipient

Date