

Faculty Resources

Information to help faculty learn more about identifying and recommending students for competitive opportunities

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Why Support Competitive Fellowship and Scholarship Opportunities?

- Open doors for your students to go on to success after A-State
- Give your students valuable educational experiences beyond the classroom
- Get the work of your students out for the world to see and benefit from
- Help your students find funding for graduate/professional school, summer programs, and study abroad

Would you like to refer a student? Want to schedule a fellowships presentation for your classes or faculty meetings? Please [Contact us!](#)

Identifying Potential Student Applicants

How faculty can help:

- Encourage your students to think about research and travel
- Let students know these fellowship opportunities exist
- Identify potential scholarship candidates early
- Get those students on the path to a successful application
- Mentor and recommend your students
- Be willing to review your students' grant purpose essays

Please keep your eyes open for ideal candidates - students with any of these characteristics:

- High GPA and rigorous coursework
- Passion and commitment
- Well-defined goals
- Research experience
- Interest in travel
- Foreign language skills
- Leadership skills and community service

Writing a Great Letter of Recommendation

- [Writing Letters of Recommendation Online](#) – a handbook for faculty by Joe Schall
- [Writing Recommendations for Nationally Competitive Opportunities](#) – University of Chicago College Center for Research and Fellowships
- [Instructions for Fulbright Study-Research Recommendation Writers](#) – Fulbright U.S. Student Program
- [Instructions for Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Recommendation Writers](#) – Fulbright U.S. Student Program
- [Avoiding Gender Bias in Reference Writing](#) – Arizona State University Commission on the Status for Women