

Pathways Fellowship

St. John's College, Annapolis, MD

Application Package

Application deadline: February 14, 2013

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The Pathways Fellowship has been created to enable St. John's students to transition into graduate study or careers that call for special or prerequisite courses. Through this program, students will be able to enroll, for example, in teacher education courses for the pursuit of public school teaching, art classes in preparation of a portfolio, or pre-medical courses for medical school (these are only a sample of options, not meant to be all-encompassing). St. John's College is committed to supporting students in the pursuit of such endeavors.

Awarded students will receive a maximum grant amount of \$2,500. Because this is a pilot program, a limited number of grants will be available this year.

Eligibility

- **Open to rising juniors and seniors and graduating seniors on the Annapolis campus in good academic and disciplinary standing**
- Students must be returning to either the Annapolis or Santa Fe campus in the fall immediately following their fellowship experience, unless they are graduating seniors
- Financial need does not affect a student's eligibility

Selection

- A Selection Committee consisting of faculty and staff members reviews each completed application
- Decisions of the Selection Committee are final

Restrictions

- Students may not receive a Pathways Fellowship and a Hodson Internship Award during the same time period
- Students do not earn credit toward a St. John's degree by participating in the Pathways Fellowship program

Terms and Requirements

- The Pathways Fellowship award may be subject to certain state and federal taxes
- Students are required to submit evidence of successful completion of the course/program
- Students are required to write a brief report promptly upon completing their program—a deadline will be given. Reports will be available in the Career Services office and open for review by the College community. These reports do contain the student's name.

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- ◆ *Students apply directly to the college, university or certificate program in which they are interested.*
- ◆ **All of the application components are due by the deadline of February 14, 2013.**
- ◆ *The Career Services Office is available to provide advice and guidance for any part of your application.*

A completed application consists of the following items:

Letter of Interest

- Letter addressed to the Pathways Fellowship Selection Committee that outlines how this opportunity will benefit you and contribute to a potential career interest (Is this a prerequisite for a graduate program? Does everyone in this field recognize this credential or program as necessary for entry?)

Program Description

- Copy of the course or program description, including course/program title, number of credits (if applicable), cost, etc. This can be a copy of a catalog description or a webpage description

Application Form

- Included in this handbook

Resume

- **Seek résumé advice from the Career Services Office well in advance of deadline**

Recommendations

- Two letters of recommendation, at least one from a tutor, each accompanied by a recommendation form (included in this handbook).
- Outside recommenders should be able to comment on your academic ability, professional work, or character. A recommender should be able to provide a strong and objective recommendation.
- As a general rule, close personal family friends are probably not appropriate.

Unofficial College Transcript

- Please visit the Registrar's Office for your unofficial transcript

Student Information

Name _____ Expected date of graduation _____

Address (during summer) _____

Phone number _____ Email address _____

Permanent Address _____

Permanent phone number _____

Citizenship _____ Type of Visa (if not US citizen) _____

Program Information (College, University, Certificate Program name)

Name of Organization _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Course (s) or study program name _____

Professor or Instructor name _____

Duration of program (number of weeks) _____

Number of credits or certification of completion expected: _____

Total amount of grant requested from Pathways Fellowship Program _____

Budget Details for Proposed Course of Study

Cost of course(s)/program: _____

Room and board expenses _____

Transportation expenses _____

Supplies (books, etc.) _____

References

Names and titles of two people who are supplying letters of reference:

Signature _____ Date _____

Complete application must be submitted by February 14, 2013 to:

St. John's College Career Services Office PO Box 2800 Annapolis MD 21404 (410) 626-2501

Pathways Fellowship Recommendation

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Statement of Waiver or Nonwaiver of Student's Right of Access to Confidential Statements

I hereby voluntarily waive my right of access under FERPA to confidential letters and statements of recommendation.

(date)

(print or type name)

(signature)

I do NOT waive my right of access under FERPA to confidential letters and statements of recommendation.

(date)

(print or type name)

(signature)

(Please print or type)

Recommender's name _____

Applicant's name _____

In what capacity have you known the applicant? _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

Recommenders: Please consider the following when writing your letter of recommendation: the student's ability to analyze a problem and formulate a solution; ability to work well independently, as well as with others; ability to communicate effectively; creativity and imagination; maturity; self-confidence.

Please attach a brief assessment of the applicant's ability (scholarship, personality, character, and professional promise) to participate successfully in the Pathways Fellowship program.

Please indicate the strength of your overall endorsement:

___ recommended with reservations

___ recommended

___ highly recommended

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Please return the completed form and letter of recommendation addressed to the Pathways Fellowship Committee to:

Attn: Kathleen Cady, Career Services Office, St. John's College, PO Box 2800, Annapolis, MD 21404, or by fax: 410-626-2885.

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