



**NCCU Office of National and International Fellowships**  
**234 Communications Building**  
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**Mrs. Regina R. Alston, Coordinator**

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**Prospective Fellowship Applicants:**

This preliminary application will help the Fellowships Director better advise you about appropriate awards to pursue. Moreover, this preliminary application provides information that may help us write a more personalized letter of institutional endorsement when this is required. Finally, completing this pre-application will give you a jump-start on your graduate school applications as it requests much of the same information requested by graduate schools.

In order to present a competitive application and receive serious consideration for a prestigious national merit award (such as Goldwater, Truman, Udall, Fulbright, Marshall, Rhodes, Jack Kent Cooke, or Soros), it is critical that you begin the application process *well in advance of national deadlines*.

If you intend to apply for any awards, this pre-application must be completed and returned to the Office of National and International Fellowships, 234 Communications Building. You are also asked to complete this form if you would like the Fellowships Director to assist you with the application process for nationally competitive awards that do not require formal nomination or endorsement by the University, such as the Mellon, Javits, Ford, or NSF.

After submitting the pre-application, call or stop by the Office of National and International Fellowships to schedule an appointment with the Fellowships Director (Mrs. Regina Alston) to discuss the awards of interest to you and your application strategy.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Classification: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Local phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Local address: \_\_\_\_\_

Major(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Minor (s): \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ State of legal residency: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Career goal: \_\_\_\_\_

Educational goal(s) after college: \_\_\_\_\_

International travel? \_\_\_\_\_ Study abroad interest? \_\_\_\_\_

Honors: \_\_\_\_\_

Campus activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Academic Information**

1. List academic/service honors and recognitions received during your college years (awards, prizes, scholarships, honor societies, etc.). Freshmen may include high- school honors.
2. Briefly describe all independent study, research, internships, teaching assistantships, etc., related to your field or career interests.
3. If you have studied abroad, when and where did you go and why? Discuss the impact of this experience on your studies.
4. Please explain if there has been any semester in which your academic performance did not reflect your ability.

### **Extracurricular & Service Activities**

(Please indicate leadership roles as well as the importance of these activities to your personal and intellectual development. List chronologically with dates of participation.)

1. Campus activities—e.g. student government, residential life, social/cultural clubs & associations, committees, volunteerism, etc.
2. Off-campus activities—e.g. community service, leadership training, etc.
3. Describe any special talents that may be relevant to the fellowships(s) for which you are applying.

### **Educational Expenses & Employment**

1. How is your education being financed? Indicate if you are receiving merit and/or need-based financial aid.
2. **RESUME:** Please attach a current resume. For guidance on composing your resume, please consult a counselor in the Career Services Office, a grammar handbook (The Harbrace College Handbook), or a website, such as Harvard University's website ([www.harvard.edu](http://www.harvard.edu)).

### **PERSONAL STATEMENT**

The Personal Statement is your introduction to the selection committee and your opportunity to present your case for study abroad and suitability for selected scholarships. Therefore, it is one of the most important pieces of your application and should be written with considerable thought and care. Please prepare a personal essay, limited to 1,000 words about your activities and academic interests in college as well as your proposed study in the United Kingdom or Ireland. Indicate how this scholarship and your proposed study fit with your plans and future career goals.