We are a nationally-prestigious merit scholarship program and community that helps exceptional students become meaningful leaders throughout society. The first Stamps Scholars programs launched in 2006 at Georgia Tech and the University of Michigan. The program has since grown to 36 colleges and universities with 2,894 current and alumni Stamps Scholars. In 2023, we expect over 300 new scholarship recipients to join the Stamps Scholars Program.

Jessie Roy, University of Michigan, Class of 2010, BA in creative writing and ancient civilizations. After graduation, completed an MFA in creative writing at Syracuse University and a PhD in creative writing from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Her short fiction has appeared in American Literary Review and The Journal. Her novel-in-progress, Brides, took second place in the 2020 James Jones First Novel Fellowship, a national competition.

Stamps Scholars have a wide range of academic interests, with majors including, but not limited to:

- Architecture
- Biochemistry
- Business
- Chemical Engineering
- Computer Science
- Economics
- International Affairs
- Journalism
- Literature/English
- Mechanical Engineering
- Music Performance
- Physics
“The Stamps Scholars Program is not just giving students a financial means to attend college, but cultivating a family of bright minds, challenging us to dream deep and wide, and helping us manifest these dreams.”

Lo-Hua Yuan | University of Michigan, Class of 2012 | PhD in Statistics at Harvard | Senior Data Scientist, Airbnb

THE 2023 STAMPS SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Stamps Scholars Program awards multi-year scholarships to driven and talented student leaders to help them achieve their goals. We partner with visionary colleges and universities to enable extraordinary educational experiences. Scholars receive annual awards that range from $6,000 to $83,000 with additional funds for enrichment activities such as study abroad, academic conferences, and leadership training. The Stamps Scholars Program and partners evenly share the costs of the awards.

Ryan Chen, Purdue University, Class of 2023, Pursuing BS in biochemistry. Conducts research on bacterial formations and the unique fuel characteristics of mass spectrometry instruments with the U.S. Navy. Volunteered at the Purdue Student Farm. Studied abroad in Italy. Will be attending graduate school next year and has so far been accepted to chemistry programs at Purdue, University of Utah, University of Washington, and Yale.
“The Stamps Scholars Program has been integral to my ability to conduct my research, collaborate with students from different universities, and travel to present my findings to the broader academic community. The program has not only been an important vehicle of research but has allowed me to build connections across the United States with students and professionals.”

Kai Youngren | United States Military Academy | 2023 Rhodes Scholar

THE STAMPS SCHOLARS COMMUNITY

One of the many benefits of being a Stamps Scholar is the national network of fellow Scholars and alumni. Along with a sense of community on their campuses, Scholars have the opportunity to interact with their peers from other Stamps partners in formal and informal programs—from regional conferences and informal meet-ups to the biennial Stamps Scholars National Convention hosted by the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Amey Zhang, Dartmouth College, Class of 2017, BA in biology and studio art. At Dartmouth, collaborated with researchers on projects at the intersection of the arts and sciences. Since graduating, has worked as an art department teaching assistant, as a research fellow in an animal cognition lab in New Zealand, and the graduate convener of the Oxford Comics Network. Completed a MSc in cognitive and evolutionary anthropology at University of Oxford in 2022. Currently a PhD candidate at the Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society in Munich, Germany, studying how children across cultures learn relationships with nature.
Leadership development is at the core of the Stamps Scholars program. Leadership potential is also a key part of the selection criteria for receiving a Stamps award, and Stamps Scholars receive a separate financial award - an enrichment fund - to participate in leadership activities of their choosing.

This enrichment fund, a special benefit of the Stamps Scholarship, is an additional monetary fund for Scholars to use toward their academic and professional development. Enrichment amounts are typically $8,000 to $16,000, and the Scholars may use the award to study or volunteer outside the United States, conduct research, or participate in a leadership program or academic conference. We like to think of this part of the award as the “dream fund.”
HOW TO APPLY

Many Stamps partner institutions do not require a separate application for the Stamps Scholarship; students should simply apply to the institution by the specified deadline. Some institutions, however, require additional or separate applications.

Please keep in mind, the application deadline and award process varies from school to school, along with the amount of the award. An interview is always part of the process.

Contact a partner to learn more about how they administer their particular Stamps Scholars program.

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WHO SHOULD APPLY

The Stamps Scholars Program, with its partner schools, seeks students who demonstrate academic merit, strong leadership potential, and desire to improve the lives of others in their community. We support exceptional young people with promise and vision who are eager to make their contribution to the world and have the work ethic to make their dreams a reality.

The Stamps Scholars Program welcomes and supports students from all backgrounds and areas of study. Financial need is not a consideration.

STAMPS SCHOLAR SPOTLIGHT

Aryemis Brown, United States Air Force Academy, Class of 2020, BS in legal studies and humanities and minor in religion studies and philosophy. Commanded the Air Force Cadet Wing and served as the highest-ranking cadet at the Academy. Recipient of the Rhodes Scholarship and completing a MPhil in international relations at Oxford University. Also named a Truman Scholar.

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Additional Benefits of the Stamps Scholarship

- Being part of the Stamps Scholars on-campus and national communities
- Funding to support academic and scientific research projects, cultural and leadership programs, and study abroad
- Biennial Stamps Scholars National Convention and other regional conferences
- Joining one of our city-specific alumni chapters and connecting with other Stamps Scholars in your area

STAMPS SCHOLAR SPOTLIGHT

2023 Stamps Scholar Partner Schools

- Barry University
- Boston College
- College of William and Mary
- Dartmouth College
- Elizabethtown College
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- Georgia State University
- Louisiana State University
- Mercer University
- Northeastern University
- Oberlin College and Conservatory
- The Ohio State University
- Purdue University
- Queens’ College, Cambridge University, UK
- Tulane University
- United States Air Force Academy
- United States Military Academy
- United States Naval Academy
- University of Arizona
- University of Chicago
- University of Connecticut
- University of Florida
- University of Georgia
- University of Illinois
- University of Miami
- University of Michigan
- University of Mississippi
- University of Missouri
- University of Notre Dame
- University of Oregon
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of South Carolina
- University of Texas at Austin
- University of Virginia: Darden School of Business
- Virginia Tech
- Wake Forest University

* Not currently accepting applications for the Stamps Scholarship.
In 2006 Roe and Penny Stamps created merit scholarship programs for undergraduates at their alma maters – Georgia Tech and the University of Michigan. Since then, the Stamps Scholars community has grown into a national network of visionary colleges and universities who partner with the Stamps Scholars Program to award multi-year scholarships that help driven and talented student leaders achieve their education and life goals.

To learn more, visit www.stampsscholars.org

Penny Stamps, In Memoriam
A graduate of the University of Michigan School of Art & Design and a former teacher and business owner, Penny was always passionate about education. In 1999, she worked with the University of Michigan School of Art and Design to launch the Roman J. Witt Visiting Professors Program in honor of her late father. She also established the highly successful Penny W. Stamps Distinguished Visitors Lectures Series. In 2012, The Penny W. Stamps School of Art & Design at the University of Michigan was named for her. Penny’s philanthropy earned her numerous honors, including the University of Michigan’s 2005 Donald B. Hermelin Award for Volunteer Leadership, the 2013 National Philanthropy Lifetime Achievement Award, and an honorary alumna of Georgia Tech. After a long battle with leukemia, Penny passed away in December of 2018.

Roe Stamps
A private investor and co-founder of the Boston-based private investment company Summit Partners, Roe is a former Lieutenant in the United States Navy Reserve, an Industrial Engineering graduate of Georgia Tech, and an MBA graduate from Harvard Business School. Since his relocation to South Florida in 1993, Roe, along with his late wife Penny, has devoted significant time and resources to philanthropic causes. Roe is a Trustee Emeritus of the Georgia Tech Foundation, and a Trustee at the University of Miami, the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation and several other distinguished organizations. Roe has received awards from Georgia Tech and Harvard as a distinguished alumnus and an honorary PhD from Georgia Tech in 2014. In 2010, Roe was honored by the American Red Cross South Florida Region as the Humanitarian of the Year.

Sydney Stine, University of Pittsburgh, Class of 2023, Pursuing BS in psychology and minor in administration of justice, along with certificates in global studies and national preparedness and homeland security. Vice president of Lambda Sigma Honors Society and founder of the National Security Students Organization. Plans on attending graduate school with a focus on forensic psychology or national security and securing a federal agent position in the criminal investigation field.