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 the University of Michigan and Georgia Tech. The program has since grown to 36 colleges and universities with 2,637 current and alumni Stamps Scholars. In 2022, we expect over 250 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. Currently finishing 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.
THE 2022 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 $5,400 to $75,000 (four-year awards total an average of $21,600-$300,000) 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 and philosophy. Conducts research on bacterial formations and the unique fuel characteristics of mass spectrometry instruments. Volunteered at the Purdue Student Farm. Will study abroad in Italy and intern at Merck. Plans to earn a PhD in analytical chemistry or the wider biological sciences.

“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 | Works at Air BnB
“There are many places to see, people to meet, and opportunities to grow. The Stamps Scholars Program is taking you there.”

MaryCate Most | University of Illinois, Class of 2017 | Worked at the Obama Foundation | Attends grad school in Belgium

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, BS in biology and BA in 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 and as a research fellow in an animal cognition lab in New Zealand studying fish and parrots. Currently collaborating on a graphic novel while studying for her MSc in cognitive and evolutionary anthropology at University of Oxford.
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.”

Pranav Padmanabhan, Ohio State University, Class of 2022, Pursuing BS in geography and public health. Created the SOAR Initiative, which is dedicated to ending the drug overdose epidemic. Studied abroad in Tanzania, where course "HIV in Context: Tanzania" helped him see the link between global public health and lived lives. Vice president of Buckeyes for Harm Reduction. Research assistant conducting Covid-19 surveillance in K-12 school districts. Hopes to become an epidemiologist to implement evidence-based solutions grounded in social context.
WHERE TO APPLY
Applying for a Stamps Scholarship is easy: just apply to one or more of our partners. If you qualify, you’ll automatically be considered for a Stamps award.

The majority of our partner schools do not require a separate application for the Stamps Scholarship, but 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 the Stamps Scholars program.

2022 Stamps Scholar Partner Schools
- Barry University
- Boston College
- College of William and Mary
- Dartmouth College
- Elizabethtown College
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- 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 Southern California*
- 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.

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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 exceptional character. 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.
In 2006 Penny and Roe Stamps created merit scholarship programs for undergraduates at their alma maters – the University of Michigan and Georgia Tech. 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](http://www.stampsscholars.org) or email info@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 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.**