UWG Noyce Scholarship

The Noyce Scholarships are designated for undergraduate students who are majoring in a STEM field with a teacher certification track. Students will be required to have less than 60 remaining hours left in their degree program to better assure completion (Junior or Senior year). All of these students must be enrolled in UTeach, which is UWG’s model for preparing STEM teachers.

**Application Materials:** Students seeking to obtain a Noyce Scholarship should turn in a completed application packet to the Departmental Assistant in the UTeach- Fusion Center lobby. Please make sure that your application is in a sealed manila envelope.

**Selection:** Faculty will have many opportunities to observe potential Noyce Scholars in action through class participation, field placement, and paid student work assignments. Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee consisting of STEM and education faculty and associate faculty in the STEM Education Center including Dr. Anne Gaquere and Dr. Jill Drake.

Noyce Scholars will be based on the following criteria:

1. References- Applicants must provide two reference letters, one from an UWG STEM faculty member and one from an UWG UTeach faculty member.
2. An essay on STEM education, part one of the essay should discuss the importance of providing 6th -12th grade students with a quality STEM education and part two should include an example of how a STEM topic could be taught in a manner that positively affects student learning. The example should demonstrate the applicant’s ability to effectively translate content and pedagogy into practice.
3. Level of representation of the student's gender or race/ethnicity in the content area and in the schools.
4. GPA (3.0 minimum)
5. Level of financial need,
6. Honors and participation in professional organizations (Student chapters of NSTA, NCTM, etc.), WeTeach and in STEM education activities,
7. An approved plan of study documenting 60 hours or less of coursework remaining to obtain a bachelor's degree.

**Amount:** $12,500 awarded annually (4 recipients)

**Expectations:**

1. Scholarship recipients are expected to be employed at the end of the program in a high needs school district at the middle or high school level for at least two years for each year of scholarship assistance received.
2. Scholarship recipients will be expected to work two hours per week in the UTeach Office. Duties are to be completed as assigned.