STEM Scholarships, Grants, and Tuition Assistance

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### Overview

### What's STEM?

- Sciences
  - Biology
  - Chemistry
  - Physics
  - Nutrition
- Technology
  - Comp. Info. Systems
  - Engineering Technology
- Engineering
- Mathematics

### What's Available?

- STEM Collegian Center
- NSF Scholars Program
- Others???

## STEM Collegian Center Grant

- Funding from the National Science Foundation (NSF)
  - Support STEM Collegian Center to provide a mentored, co-curricular learning community
  - An interdisciplinary approach to STEM, to improve depth and breadth of learning
  - Integration of research, service, and education to promote student understanding and excitement

Support for the STEM
 Collegian Center
 Performance awards for successful STEM course completion - amounts vary

- Stipend for 15 hours of Civic Engagement (volunteer) - \$150
- Stipend for "outside class" capstone/research project
   \$400 + \$80 supplies
- Funds for conference travel
   amounts vary



Collegians at Koshland Science Museum, Washington, DC, 2005

STEM Collegian Center – Performance Awards

Award for "success" in STEM courses

1<sup>st</sup> course (A=\$220, B=\$200, C=\$180)
 Additional courses subtract \$30, \$60, \$90, etc.

 Full award for active members

 Award reduced 25% based on activities, mentor rating, and civic engagement

# Membership Criteria and Responsibilities

- Maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0
- Contact faculty mentor at least twice each month
- Participate in two or more STEM Collegian Center activities per semester
- Participate in at least one hour of civic engagement (volunteer service) per semester
- Participate in assessment surveys and activities to help improve the Center

# STEM Collegian Center – Program Highlights

#### Activity/Field Trip Highlights

- STEM Collegian/Division Mixer
- Zoo field trip
- Osprey Banding
- Fossil Hunting
- Community Service (Stream clean-up, etc.)
- Peer Tutoring
- STEM Website Design
- Transfer Workshop
- Food Science Workshop
- Partnership with Natl. Human Genome Research Institute
- Travel to local, regional, & national conferences

#### Seminar Topic Highlights

- Mark Matties & Bowie State Supercomputer
- Theresa Francis & Coding
   Theory
- James York & Chaos Theory
- Organ transplants
- Keith Harris & Nutraceuticals
- Build Your Own Computer Seminar & Class



Collegian, Ivy Phaire with Dr. Ben Carson at AMHPS 2006

### **NSF Scholars Program**

- Scholarship Program
  - Maximum award for an independent student - \$11, 632 per year
  - Maximum award for a dependent student
    \$7, 822 per year
- Workshops
- Design competitions
- Travel funds

### Eligibility Requirements

- Full-time (enrolled in minimum of 12 credit hours) Student
- Major in any STEM degree program \*
- 3.0 overall GPA (3.5 for entering high school graduates)
- 3.0 GPA in STEM courses
- No STEM grade below a C (if a course is repeated the most recent grade counts)
- Have completed or tested out of Intermediate Algebra (MAT 1040)
- Be or become a member of the STEM Collegian Center and adhere to the requirements thereof
- Demonstrate financial need per the U.S. Department of Education rules
- U.S. Citizen, U.S. National, Alien admitted as a Refugee, Alien lawfully admitted to U.S. for permanent residence

# **OTHERS??**

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