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TO: Scripps College Students

FROM: Gretchen Edwalds-Gilbert - Associate Dean of Faculty

RE: **Johnson Student Summer Research Grants 2017**

**Description**

Scripps awards 5-8 Johnson Summer Student Research Grants each year. The awards are given on a competitive basis for student-initiated, interdisciplinary projects. Each research grant is for $4,000, plus $300 for any necessary equipment and expenses. The stipulations on the awards are:

1. The research project must be interdisciplinary (i.e. at least two disciplines must be involved).
2. Criteria for evaluation of an application will include the intellectual rationale for the research project, its feasibility, its interdisciplinary focus, strength of faculty recommendation, and relevant aspects of the student's background.
3. The research project must have a sponsor advisor who is a Scripps faculty member. If an off-campus professional is the primary advisor on the project, a Scripps faculty member needs to sign as secondary advisor.
4. The results of the research will be presented to the college community at the Scripps undergraduate research symposium in the fall semester following the research. Thus, only students returning to Scripps in the following fall are eligible, with the exception of juniors abroad in the following fall, who will then present in the fall of their senior year
5. No academic credit will be granted for the project
6. Projects may be carried out domestically as well as abroad.

**Eligibility Requirements**

Only students returning to Scripps in the following fall are eligible, with the exception of juniors abroad during the fall following their research, who will in such cases present in the fall of their senior year.

**Deadline**

Applications for the grant are due online by **Sunday, February 12, 2017 by 11pm**.

**Application Information**

See the online application form: http://inside.scrippscollege.edu/fellowships/johnson-summer-student-research-grants

Each application must include:

1. Electronic Application form outlining project details.
2. faculty advisor/sponsor recommendation,
3. a current unofficial transcript and
4. a budget detailing how one intends to use the money. (Recipients approved for projects outside of the U.S. will be required to purchase the International Student Identity Card for $22.00).

The grant may be taken totally or partially as a stipend, in which case it is taxable. It may also be utilized totally or partially to reimburse the student for travel, equipment, books and other expenses associated with the project. The application form available **online**. Letters of recommendations may uploaded onto the application or e-mailed to postbac@scrippscollege.edu.

The application process and timetable are as follows:

**Sunday, February 12, 2017:** Applications are due online by 11pm.

**End of February:** A subcommittee will meet to evaluate the applications

**No later than the 2nd week of March:** Letters will be sent out announcing awards. Students will have one week to accept the award, after which there is a firm commitment

**Summer:** Research project is carried out

**Monday, September 4:** Project abstract and final report due to faculty advisor and to the Associate Dean of Faculty.

**Date TBA:** Presentation at Scripps undergraduate research symposium