Is the USF Robert Noyce STEM Scholars Program right for you?

To be eligible for the program, you must:

• have a bachelor’s degree in a STEM discipline (mathematics, biology, chemistry, earth science, physics, etc.) or its equivalent;

• have a 3.0 (“B”) on a 4.0 scale average or better in all work attempted while registered as an upper division student (usually last two years of coursework) working for a baccalaureate degree, or a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale average of graduate work;

• have passing score on the Florida Teacher Certification General Knowledge Test or Graduate Records Exam; and

• have demonstrated subject matter competence with evidence of appropriate course work in mathematics or science.

• Do you have a bachelor’s degree in mathematics, biology, chemistry, engineering, or its equivalent?

• Do you think you might like being a middle or high school math or science teacher?

• Are you interested in going to graduate school?

• Would a $30,000 fellowship and a one-year accelerated course program help you manage the costs and time associated with going to graduate school?

If so, the Robert Noyce STEM Scholars Program may be right for you.

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Stipends Available to Support the Completion of an Accelerated Master’s Degree Program Leading to a Career in Teaching Secondary (Grades 6 – 12) Mathematics or Science
What is the USF STEM Scholars Program?

The University of South Florida (USF) Robert Noyce Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Fellows program provides $30,000 stipends to up to 31 STEM professionals (graduating seniors, recent graduates, and change-of-career individuals) who are interested in earning their teaching credentials in secondary school mathematics or science (biology, chemistry, earth or space science or physics) by enrolling in a one-year accelerated Masters of Arts Teaching (MAT) program as a full time student.

What does the $30,000 stipend cover?

The $30,000 stipend is intended to cover the cost of participation in the program, including: tuition and fees, program expenses, and other needs determined by the scholarship recipients.

What is the process to apply for the Program?

STEP ONE: Apply to the MAT 6-12 in Science (Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science or Physics) or Mathematics Program:

1. Take the Florida Teacher Certification General Knowledge Test or Graduate Records Exam scores and submit it to COE Graduate Admissions.
2. Complete the Graduate School Application as a Degree Seeking student and submit it to the Graduate Admissions Office. Apply online by going to the Graduate Online Application at www.grad.usf.edu/newsite/main.asp.
3. Have your transcripts sent to the Graduate School Admissions Office

STEP TWO: Apply to the USF Noyce STEM Scholars Program:

1. A letter of interest (limit 3-pages) that addresses the following:
   • your interest in teaching secondary school (middle or high school) mathematics or science,
   • your interest in teaching a diverse student population,
2. Three letters of reference,
   • One letter must be from someone who can attest to your content knowledge.
   • One letter must be from someone who can attest to your potential as an effective teacher.

What do I have to do if I am awarded a USF Noyce STEM Scholarship?

In return for the scholarship stipend, Robert Noyce STEM Scholars will commit to teach for at least two years in one of the following Tampa Bay area school districts:

- Hernando
- Highlands
- Hillsborough
- Manatee
- Pasco
- Pinellas
- Polk
- Sarasota

Noyce Fellows must also agree to participate in program and evaluation activities during the degree program and until the teaching commitment is fulfilled.

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