

Fisher Scholars for Rural Schools Robert Noyce Scholarship Program Saint John Fisher College

The Robert Noyce Scholarship Program at Saint John Fisher College (SJFC) provides financial support to teacher education students enrolled in a program leading to certification in adolescence (Grades 7-12) mathematics education through the Graduate Program in Mathematics, Science and Technology Education (GMST) and the Department of Mathematical and Computing Sciences. Robert Noyce Scholars at SJFC will receive a scholarship for up to the total cost of attendance at SJFC for their junior and senior years, and the full cost of tuition for one year of graduate study leading to certification in adolescence mathematics education.

Eligibility

Students who are currently sophomores at a two-year or four-year college or university are eligible to apply. In order to be considered for the Robert Noyce Scholarship at Saint John Fisher College, applicants must:

- be a U.S. citizen or U.S. national or permanent resident
- be enrolled, or accepted to enroll, at the junior-level in a BA or BS program at Saint John Fisher College, majoring in mathematics
- maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- have grades of B- or above in all courses counting towards their major and certification program

Requirements

Saint John Fisher College Noyce Scholars are required to:

- complete their undergraduate mathematics major at Saint John Fisher College
- obtain their teaching certification at Saint John Fisher College through the GMST Program (This requires one year of graduate work)
- pass a criminal background check
- meet with faculty advisors at least once per semester
- participate in all Noyce Scholar events
- complete Noyce Scholar survey and assessment forms
- maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 with grades of B- or above in all courses counting towards major and education certification
- teach mathematics in a high-needs school for a period of two years for every year of funding received

All recipients of Noyce Scholarships and Stipends will sign a legally binding promissory note prior to receiving funding and graduates will be required to provide verification of employment in a high-needs school during their service requirement. If a graduate fails to provide such verification for six years, he or she will be required to return the funds with interest.

For more information please contact Dr. Bernard Ricca (Email: bricca@sjfc.edu).

Robert Noyce Scholarship Application
Saint John Fisher College
(Please print clearly or type)

Name: _____
Last First Middle Initial

Permanent Address: _____
Street Address Apt/Suite

_____ City State Zip Code

_____ Home Phone Other Phone

Social Security Number: _____

Email: _____

I am a (please choose one)
 U.S. Citizen
 Permanent Resident
 U.S. National

Education

High School Attended: _____
Name & Location Graduation Date

Current or Most Recent College Attended: _____

College credits earned to date: _____ Current Approximate GPA: _____

Are you currently enrolled at Saint John Fisher College? Yes No

If not a SJFC student, have you been accepted to Saint John Fisher College? Yes No

Please provide degree information from current and previous colleges/universities attended (other than Saint John Fisher College):

College/University	Degree earned (if any)	Dates of attendance
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Include one (1) official academic transcript from all higher education institutions attended other than SJFC.

Resume

Include a current resume that details your education, work experience, honors and awards, community activities, and employment.

Letters of Recommendation

Provide two (2) letters of recommendation (at least one from a faculty member or employer who can comment on your preparation in mathematics and/or science), using the SJFC Noyce Scholarship Recommendation Forms.

Personal Statement

Please attach personal statement (2-3 pages) describing your educational and career goals. You will want to address:

- Your interest in and commitment to mathematics education
- Your commitment to teaching in a high-needs school in a rural area
- Characteristics of effective mathematics teaching, based on your experience
- Your goals as a mathematics teacher

How did you hear about the Saint John Fisher College Noyce Scholar Program?

Interview

An interview may be required of applicants.

Optional Demographic Information

The Noyce Program requests but does not require the following demographic information:

Date of Birth: _____

Gender (Circle One): Female Male

Please indicate which of the following categories you identify with. *You may choose more than one.*

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|
| Alaskan Native (Eskimo or Aleut) | Black or African American | White |
| American Indian | Hispanic or Latino | Asian |
| Native Pacific Islander | Other | |

Authorization

I acknowledge that the information provided in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize the SJFC Robert Noyce Scholar Program Selection Committee to view my academic records in order to verify and fully assess my qualifications.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail completed application form, professional resume and personal statement to:

Bernard Ricca, Ph.D.

Director, Graduate Program in Mathematics, Science and Technology Education

Saint John Fisher College

3690 East Avenue

Rochester, NY 14618

Your application will be considered complete when all of the following materials are received:

- SJFC Robert Noyce Scholar Program Graduate Application Form (pages 1-2, including signature)
- Professional Resume
- Personal Statement
- Academic transcripts (one from each institution attended other than SJFC)
- Letters of recommendation (two)

Consideration of completed applications will begin on February 1, 2012 for students to begin their junior year in September 2012.

**Robert Noyce Scholarship Program
St. John Fisher College
Recommendation Form**

Name of Student Applicant: _____

Name of Person Providing Recommendation: _____

I choose to have this recommendation treated as (check one)

- Confidential (not open for my review) Non-confidential (open for my review)
If a box has not been checked, the recommendation will be treated as non-confidential

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Instructions to recommender:

1. Fill in, sign, and date the following page
2. Write a letter of recommendation for the applicant
3. Return the completed recommendation (this page, the following page, and your letter of recommendation) to:

Bernard Ricca, Ph.D.
Department of Mathematical and Computing Sciences
Saint John Fisher College
3690 East Avenue
Rochester, NY 14618

Recommendations are due on February 1, 2012

Questions may be directed to Dr. Ricca at 585-899-3866 or bricca@sjfc.edu

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Applicant Name: _____

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	Superior	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Unable to Judge
Mathematical Ability					
Accepting of Constructive Criticism					
Compassion					
Integrity					
Interpersonal Skills					
Judgment					
Knowledge of Content					
Open-mindedness					
Persistence					
Potential for Leadership					
Resourcefulness					
Sense of Responsibility					
Self-Confidence					
Oral Communication Skills					
Written Communication Skills					

Please provide additional information about the candidate that you feel would be helpful for the scholarship committee. You should attach a statement that briefly describes your professional relationship to the applicant and why you believe she or he demonstrates the potential in academics and math teaching that would make this candidate a worthy recipient of a Noyce Scholarship.

Name of Recommender (Printed) **Signature**

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