Interstellar Research Group 2021 Undergraduate College Scholarship Program

- 1. Deadline for scholarship applications is May 15, 2021. Winners will be announced in July 2021.
- 2. Refer to criteria below for eligibility requirements.
- 3. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e. bio, essay, etc.)
- 4. Please type or print legibly. If you have any questions about the application, please email scholarship@irg.space

Purpose: To provide scholarships to two rising college students planning to attend a four-year college seeking their first undergraduate degree.

Award Components: Two \$2500 scholarships will be awarded.

Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Applicant must be a full time student accepted to or enrolled in an accredited college or university that awards Bachelor of Science or Arts degrees.
- 2. Major must be in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) related field.
- 3. Open to high school seniors and present undergraduates who are U.S. citizens and live in the United States and/or its territories. The scholarship may be used at any college or university in the United States.

Application Process

Applicant must submit the following items:

- 1. Completed application form
- 2. A brief (one page) explanation of career goals and biographical (background) information.
- 3. A 1,000 2,000 word essay on one of the subjects suggested below, in .docx format (Word).

Deadline for the application is **May 15, 2021**.

Applications emailed after this date will not be considered.

Please email to:

Martha Knowles, Chair, Scholarship Committee

scholarship@irg.space

Interstellar Research Group Scholarship Program Application

To Include:

Last Name, First Name

Mailing address: Street, City, State, ZIP

Daytime Telephone Number, Email

Name and address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s) (if under 18 years of age)

Name of school you will be attending in the fall of 2020:

Proof of acceptance or current student enrollment from the above school is required prior to receipt of funds.

Name of Major:

Academic Advisor (where applicable):

List the name of any college you have attended, year started, year ended.

Describe any community service projects you have performed and student activities involvement (positions held, how you were involved). [can be included in biographical information]

A brief explanation of career goals and biographical (background) information (250 words)

Then the essay portion: a 1,000-2,000 word essay, submitted in .docx format, on one of the following topics:

- 1. A near-term plan (within 20 years) for building advocacy toward interstellar space exploration
- 2. What I can do to help further humanity's expansion into space
- 3. How can space development help humanity
- 4. What are the first steps you think we need to take to get to interstellar space?

Statement of Accuracy

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the postsecondary institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be awarded. Signature (dated) of the applicant