

## 2013-2014 WKU Nationally Competitive Scholarship Winners

## Marshall Scholarship

Funded by the British government, the highly competitive Marshall Scholarship pays for young Americans of high ability to study for a postgraduate degree at universities in the United Kingdom. Fewer than forty Scholars from all disciplines of study are selected every year.

• Sarah Schrader\*\* (Biology, Chemistry, & Self-Designed Chinese, Bowling Green, KY)--Finalist

#### **Rhodes Scholarship**

Funded by the Rhodes Trust, Rhodes Scholarships are awarded annually to 32 American students for their outstanding scholarly achievements, character, commitment to others and the common good, and potential for leadership in their fields. Awardees study for postgraduate degrees at Oxford University.

Sarah Schrader\*\* (Biology, Chemistry, & Self-Designed Chinese, Bowling Green, KY)--Finalist

## Gates Cambridge Scholarship

Established by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Gates Cambridge Scholarships are awarded to outstanding applicants from countries outside the United Kingdom to pursue postgraduate degrees in any subject at the University of Cambridge. The highly competitive program aims to build a global network of future leaders committed to improving the lives of others.

• Sarah Schrader\*\* (Biology, Chemistry, & Self-Designed Chinese, Bowling Green, KY)--Finalist

### NIH Oxford-Cambridge Scholars Program

The National Institutes of Health Oxford-Cambridge Scholars Program is an accelerated, specialized doctoral training program for outstanding science students committed to biomedical research careers. The program fully funds Ph.D. and M.D. degrees at Oxford University, University of Cambridge, and a number of universities in the United States.

Charles Coomer\* (Biology & Chemistry, Louisville, KY)

## Mitchell Scholarship

Funded by the U.S. Department of State, the Irish Government, and private donors, the Mitchell Scholarship is the premier scholarship for Americans to complete a one-year postgraduate degree at a university in Ireland or Northern Ireland.

• Clarice Esch\* (Agriculture, Somerset, KY)—Semi-Finalist

### National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship

Funded by the National Science Foundation, the Graduate Research Fellowship Program provides an annual stipend and tuition support for up to three years of graduate study in the sciences and social sciences.

- Elaine Flynn\* (2013 Graduate in Geology & Chemistry, De Mossville, KY)
- Michael Powers (2013 Graduate in Geology, Bowling Green, KY)
- Sarah Schrader\*\* (Biology, Chemistry, & Self-Designed Chinese, Bowling Green, KY)
- Brittany Morgan\* (2012 Graduate in Biochemistry, Franklin, KY)—Honorable Mention
- Jordan Olberding\* (2013 Graduate in Biotechnology & Biochemistry, Turner, ME)—Honorable Mention

### National Defense Science & Engineering Graduate Fellowship

Funded by the Department of Defense, the National Defense Science & Engineering Graduate Fellowship provides an annual stipend and tuition support for up to three years of graduate study in science and engineering disciplines of military importance.

• Sarah Schrader\*\* (Biology, Chemistry, & Self-Designed Chinese, Bowling Green, KY)

#### Harry S. Truman Scholarship

Open to juniors dedicated to a career in public service, the highly competitive Truman Scholarship recognizes service and leadership and provides up to \$30,000 in funding for graduate education.

Hannah Garland\*\* (International Affairs & Asian Religions and Cultures, Somerset, KY)—
Finalist

## **Fulbright Grants**

The Fulbright U.S. Student Program receives approximately 10,000 applications and awards approximately 1800 grants to recent graduates and young professionals. Awardees either conduct independent research, study, or arts projects or teach English and American culture in up to 140 countries around the world for up to a year. The program facilitates cultural exchange through direct interaction between the grantee and his or her host community.

- Wesley Bromm (2013 Graduate in History & Social Studies, Russellville, KY)—English Teaching Assistantship to Vietnam
- Charles Coomer\* (2014 Graduate in Biology & Chemistry, Louisville, KY)—Research/Study Grant to the United Kingdom
- Amy Correll\* (2014 Graduate in Self-Designed Studies, Somerset, KY)—Alternate, English Teaching Assistantship to Malta
- Clarice Esch\* (2014 Graduate in Agriculture, Somerset, KY)—Alternate, Research Grant to Costa Rica
- Allison Feikes\* (2014 Graduate in International Affairs & Political Science, La Porte, IN)— English Teaching Assistantship to Turkey
- Jonathan Hendrie\* (2014 Graduate in Biochemistry, Dallas, TX)—Research Grant to Germany
- Angelika Masero\* (2010 Graduate in News/Editorial Journalism and German, Louisville, KY)— English Teaching Assistantship to Germany

#### DAAD Study Scholarship

Funded by the DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service), the Study Scholarship provides funding for a year of independent study or a master's degree program at a German university.

• Jonathan Hendrie\* (2014 Graduate in Biochemistry, Dallas, TX)

#### Princeton-in-Africa

Founded in 1999, Princeton in Africa develops young leaders committed to Africa's advancement by offering yearlong fellowship opportunities with a variety of organizations that work across the African continent.

• Rachel Beyke\* (Biology, Indianapolis, IN)—Finalist

# Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship

The Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship seeks to recognize excellence in the sciences and to encourage talented students to pursue research careers. The award provides up to \$7,500 per year for educational expenses to sophomores and juniors.

- John Andrew Cliburn\* (2014 Graduate of the Gatton Academy, Cloverport, KY)
- Nitin Krishna\* (2014 Graduate of the Gatton Academy, Corbin, KY)
- Megan Laffoon\*\* (Biology, Louisville, KY)
- Gretchen Walch\* (2014 Graduate of the Gatton Academy, Alexandria, KY)—Honorable Mention

### Critical Language Scholarship

Funded by the U.S. Department of State, the Critical Language Scholarship provides 7-10 weeks of intensive language instruction and structured cultural enrichment experiences abroad. The award covers all costs for travel, study and living expenses during the program.

- Joanna Chang\*\* (Psychology, Owensboro, KY)—Alternate, Chinese
- Elizabeth Gribbins\* (French & Political Science, Louisville, KY)—Arabic
- Kelli Hogue\*\* (International Affairs & Asian Religions and Cultures, Burlington, KY)—Chinese
- Bailey Mack\*\* (International Affairs & Spanish, Louisville, KY)—Chinese
- Tyler Prochazka\*\* (International Affairs & Asian Religions and Cultures, Newton, KS)—Chinese
- Sarah Schrader\*\* (Biology, Chemistry, & Self-Designed Chinese, Bowling Green, KY)—Korean
- Kelly Tursic\*\* (International Affairs & Asian Religions and Cultures, Union, KY)—Chinese

## National Security Language Initiative for Youth (NSLI-Y)

The State Department's NSLI-Y provides merit-based scholarships to U.S. high school students interested in learning less-commonly studied foreign languages. This scholarship covers all program costs for six weeks of intensive study abroad, including travel to the applicant's destination, tuition, housing, and activities.

- Sarah Angelle\*\* (2014 Graduate of the Gatton Academy, Monticello, KY)—Chinese
- Ananya Sharma\* (Gatton Academy, Bowling Green, KY)—Hindi

## Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship

The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program offers grants of up to \$5,000 for U.S. citizen undergraduate students of limited financial means to pursue academic studies abroad.

- Tyler Allen (Film & Political Science, Bowling Green, KY)—Belgium, Summer 2014
- Brittany Banker\*\* (International Business & International Affairs, Hanson, KY) South Korea, Fall 2014
- Kaleiah Brown (Nursing, Murfreesboro, TN)—Tanzania, Summer 2014
- Valerie Farsetti (Social Work & Spanish, Louisville, KY)—Chile, Summer 2014
- Keevin Foree\* (Fashion Merchandising & Marketing, Louisville, KY) Italy, Fall 2014
- Brittany Greeson (Photojournalism & Sociology), Owensboro, KY) Denmark, Fall 2014
- Alexandra Hezik\*\* (Self-Designed Sustainability, Campbellsville, KY)—China, Summer 2014
- Paige Hughart\* (Biology, Roseville, MI)—Turkey, Spring 2014
- Shannon Jolicouer (English for Secondary Teachers, Auburn, KY) Belize, Fall 2014
- Asia Larkin (Health Care Administration, White Creek, TN)—Tanzania, Summer 2014
- Andrew Miller (History, Lexington, KY)—Jordan, Spring 2014
- Margaret Riney (Creative Writing, Owensboro, KY)—South Korea, Summer 2014
- Keely Stephens (Anthropology & Accounting, Bowling Green, KY) Greece, Summer 2014
- Damario Walker-Brown (Architectural Science, Lexington, KY)—Spain, Summer 2014
- Andre Williams (Public Health, Owensboro, KY)—Costa Rica, Spring 2014

#### Gaeltacht Summer Award

The Gaeltacht Summer Award funds participation in intensive Irish-language courses in Irish-speaking regions of Ireland.

• Emily Potts\* (History, Religious Studies, & Anthropology, Owensboro, KY)

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