



## **ARCS® Foundation, Inc. National Scholar Awards**

### **America's future depends on bold investment in brilliant scientists and their discoveries**

*ARCS Foundation's mission is to advance science in America by providing financial awards to academically outstanding US citizens studying to complete degrees in science, engineering, math, and medical research.*

For more than 65 years, **Achievement Rewards for College Scientists Foundation** (ARCS® Foundation) has provided unrestricted financial awards to exceptional graduate-level STEM scholars. These awards empower young scientists whose work drives innovation, fuels economic growth, and enhances US global competitiveness. Each year, nearly 700 scholars receive funding through 15 ARCS chapters located in 13 states. These awards are granted at 50 partner universities whose graduate STEM programs meet rigorous quality standards, ensuring ARCS supports students of the highest caliber. To date, ARCS Foundation has awarded more than \$148 million to over 12,850 scholars in support of essential science research.

### **To expand and increase its impact, ARCS Foundation is launching a growth strategy focused on geographic expansion and targeted investment in high-impact scientific areas of study.**

Our goal is to extend ARCS Scholar Awards to top-ranked STEM research universities in the 37 states not currently served by our existing chapters. Funding for these Scholar Awards will be designated for disciplines with the greatest potential to drive innovation and strengthen US global competitiveness. These **ARCS National Scholar Awards**, administered by the ARCS National organization, will be incremental to the substantial support already provided by regional chapters.

ARCS National Scholar Awards will be aligned with the priorities of the Council on Competitiveness—of which ARCS is a member—and informed by the work of the Council's National Commission on Innovation and Competitiveness Frontiers. The Commission has identified these emerging technologies critical to US competitiveness:

- **Advanced Aerospace**
- **Advanced Computing**



- **Advanced Manufacturing**
- **Artificial Intelligence**
- **Autonomous Systems**
- **Biotechnology/Biomedical Engineering**
- **Space Industrialization**
- **Microelectronics**
- **Nanotechnology/Advanced Materials Sciences**
- **Quantum**

### **Your Contribution as an ARCS Funding Partner...**

- Helps drive innovation in research areas essential to US scientific leadership and competitiveness.
- Ensures your support goes to ARCS Scholars who are working on emerging scientific technologies.
- Addresses workforce shortages in emerging technologies.
- Demonstrates commitment for research universities during a period of significant funding pressures.
- Ensures responsible administration of funds using the ARCS Foundation established infrastructure and nationally approved processes and procedures.
- Provides a strong and lasting return on your contribution.

Questions about how you can support an ARCS National Award Scholar?

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