

"OUT TO INNOVATE" Scholarships for LGBTQ STEM Students

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National Organization of Gay and Lesbian Scientists and Technical Professionals Seeking Out to Innovate<sup>™</sup> Scholarship Applicants

National Organization of Gay and Lesbian Scientists and Technical Professionals (NOGLSTP) is now accepting applications for the 2015 NOGLSTP Out To Innovate Scholarships made possible by an Innovation Generation grant from Motorola Solutions Foundation.

The Scholarships were established following NOGLSTP's inaugural Out to Innovate Career Summit (www.outtoinnovate.org). The scholarships are intended for undergraduate and graduate students pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) programs who are either lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer (LGBTQ) or an active ally of the LGBTQ community. These scholarships are designed to promote academic excellence and increased visibility of talented LGBTQ students in STEM careers.

The scholarships, funded at a minimum of \$5,000 each, will be awarded for the Fall, 2015 academic year. Students currently enrolled at any U.S.-based college or university are eligible to apply.

Student applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Successful completion of a minimum of two years of post-high school education at an accredited college or university.
- Maintenance of a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 for the entirety of college/university enrollment.
- A declared major in an accredited STEM or STEM-related teaching field.
- Be an active supporter of and participant in programs or organizations that promote LGBTQ inclusion and visibility.

Online scholarship applications will be available through the NOGLSTP website (https://www.noglstp.org/programs-projects/scholarships/) on March 8, 2015. Applications must be submitted with supporting documentation no later than June 6, 2015. Scholarship recipients will be notified on August 1.

## About NOGLSTP

NOGLSTP was established in 1980, incorporated in the State of California in 1991, and was granted IRS 501 (c) 3 non-profit status in 1992. NOGLSTP's mission is to educate the scientific and general communities about the presence and accomplishments of LGBT individuals in STEM professions. NOGLSTP presents educational symposia and workshops nationwide. NOGLSTP fosters dialog with other professional societies, academia, and industry to facilitate diversity and inclusion in the workplace. NOGLSTP is an affiliate of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, is a participating professional society member of MentorNet<sup>®</sup>, a sustaining member of the National Postdoctoral Association, a member of the Gay and Lesbian Leadership Institute Presidential Advisory Project's Coalition, a partner with the Higher Education Recruitment Consortium (HERC) and a founding member of the E-Week Diversity Council. For more information, visit the website at www.noglstp.org or contact scholarships at noglstp dot org.

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