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RE: Noyce Project LEARN, Scholars application

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for requesting an application to become part of the community of *SDSU Noyce Scholars in Science Teaching (NOYCE PROJECT LEARN)*. We are delighted that you are interested in applying to the program. The goals of this prestigious scholarship\* are

- to recruit strong science and engineering majors into teaching, AND
- to support highly qualified science and engineering majors into becoming effective science teachers through their participation in SDSU's single subject credential program and through experiences that continue once teachers begin full-time teaching.

This program provides Noyce Scholars with a scholarship\* of \$10,000, reimbursement of up to \$500 of SDSU credential-application fees that applicants receive whether or not they are selected as Scholars, and many opportunities to improve their science-teaching practice both during and after the teacher credential program.

On the next few pages you will find instructions and materials needed for applying for the Scholarship. Please be sure to review the entire application and, in particular, Section C: *Eligibility Requirements*, prior to working on the application. See SDSU's Noyce website at [Noyce.sdsu.edu](http://Noyce.sdsu.edu) for information about when review of applications will begin. **Email your completed application to Candace Cabral, at [ccabral@sdsu.edu](mailto:ccabral@sdsu.edu).**

If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Lamb ([Lisa.Lamb@sdsu.edu](mailto:Lisa.Lamb@sdsu.edu)) or 858.414.4046. For additional information, please check the project website at [noyce.sdsu.edu](http://noyce.sdsu.edu). We are looking forward to working with a thoughtful group of prospective teachers.

Sincerely,

Lisa Lamb, Donna Ross, Meredith Vaughn, David Pullman, and Kathy Williams

\*Note that this scholarship/loan requires 2 years of science teaching in a public school in a high-need district. If this condition is met, the scholarship/loan is "forgiven" and no repayment is required.

**Item A. Application Checklist, SDSU Noyce Scholars: PROJECT LEARN**

***SDSU Noyce Scholars  
NOYCE PROJECT LEARN in Science***

**Application Checklist**

**To apply for this fellowship, submit items A-D listed below.**

- A. This checklist, confirming that all items are included in this packet.
- B. Application Information Sheet
- C. Confirmation of Eligibility
- D. Essay Response, listed in Section D of this application packet. The essay should be 1-2 double-spaced pages.

**Email items A-D in one document to [ccabral@sdsu.edu](mailto:ccabral@sdsu.edu)**

***Note that we will also review your SDSU Credential application as a part of the Scholarship selection process. We will conduct interviews with the most highly qualified applicants.***

**Item A. Application Cover Sheet, SDSU Noyce Scholars: PROJECT LEARN**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (MI)

RED ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Best Contact Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Undergrad Major and date of graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate degree major and date (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

**Item B. Confirmation of Eligibility**

**Noyce Scholars must**

- have an undergraduate or graduate major in science or engineering;
- have applied, be accepted to, and plan to attend to SDSU’s teacher credential program;
- agree to having their application to the SDSU credential program reviewed as part of the Noyce Scholarship Review Process;
- commit to teaching science for at least two years in a public school in a high-need school district;\*\*
- commit to responding to surveys and other requests for information, and participate in learning opportunities after the credential program; and
- be a United States citizen, national, or permanent resident alien.

Requirement	Your Response
I earned my undergraduate (or graduate) degree with a major in science or engineering.	Major _____ Year of Graduation _____ Institution _____
I applied to SDSU’s teacher credential program and, if accepted, I plan to attend.	___ YES, I applied to, and if accepted, plan to attend SDSU’s credential program.  ___ OTHER. Explain:
I understand that reviewers of this Scholarship will also review my credential program application as a part of the <b>Scholarship</b> review process.	___ YES, I understand. ___ Other. Explain:
I understand that if I am accepted as a Noyce Scholar, I will receive a \$10,000 scholarship/loan. The \$10,000 does not need to be repaid if I teach for two years in a public school in a high-need district.**	___ Yes, I understand. ___ Other. Explain:
I understand that I will need to respond to surveys and requests for information and participate in learning opportunities after the credential program ends.	___ Yes, I understand.  ___ Other. Explain:
I am a United States citizen, national, or permanent resident alien.	Select <u>one</u> of the following three choices: ___ United States citizen ___ national ___ permanent resident alien

**By typing my name below, I indicate that the information provided in the table is accurate.**

**Online Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*The district should be identified as a high-need district in that at least *one* of its schools has a high percentage of individuals from families with incomes below the poverty line. There are many high-need districts in San Diego County, including but not limited to San Diego Unified, Sweetwater, Grossmont, Poway, Escondido, Vista, Oceanside, and others.

### **Item C. Essay Response**

To help the selection committee get to know you better, please respond to the following question. Your response to the question should be 1-2 double-spaced pages. As a reminder, the committee will also review your responses to the essays provided in your SDSU credential program application, as well as the other documents you provided as part of your credential program application (including but not limited to your transcripts, letters of reference, GPA, major, and so on).

**Why do you want to become a science teacher?**