

The Rosen Fellowship Program

IMPORTANT APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Submit ONE ORIGINAL (signed) copy of your completed application (single sided, unstapled) no later than 4:00 p.m. on January 7th, 2014 to: Office of Scholarships, Brooklyn College.

2. Make sure those writing in support of your application send ONE ORIGINAL letter (single sided, unstapled) by 4:00 p.m. on January 7th, 2014

Mandatory interviews for finalists will be in early March, and Rosen fellows are announced soon thereafter. Applicants who are studying abroad during the Spring 2014 semester and are not able to be on campus for the interviews need to contact the Office of Scholarships.

For more information, please contact:

Office of Scholarships

213 West Quad Center

Brooklyn College

2900 Bedford Avenue

Brooklyn, NY 11210

phone: 718-9514796

email: sgracia@brooklyn.cuny.edu

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PART I

It is essential that you read PART I carefully before proceeding with PART II of the application. You must sign the bottom of this section and return it with your completed application.

OVERVIEW

The Rosen Fellowship Program at Brooklyn College will support up to eight undergraduate students who exhibit extraordinary creativity, determination, and promise in articulating and pursuing their career and life goals. It will provide opportunities for self-identified out-of-the-classroom experience necessary for personal or career advancement for those who might otherwise not have such opportunities.

The range and structure of fellowship activities will be limited only by your imagination, resourcefulness and determination.. Fellows should consider a wide variety of activities that may include study abroad, personalized internships, scientific research, artistic expression, community engagement, Dale Carnegie courses, LSAT preparation, etc. Applications will be evaluated on the basis of creativity and the degree to which the proposed activities will credibly advance the applicant's articulated personal and professional life goals.

The fellowships will be competitive and will provide stipends of up to \$5,000 to each of the winners.

ELIGIBILITY

All full-time undergraduate Brooklyn College students in good standing may apply for the Fellowship provided that, at the time of application, he or she has completed at least 30 credits and not more than 90 credits. It is expected that the student will complete at least two more semesters at Brooklyn College after completion of the Fellowship.

CRITERIA

To be chosen as a Rosen Fellow, a student must provide convincing evidence of exceptional intellectual, creative, civic, or leadership ability and promise through the application, recommendations, and personal interview. He or she must further propose a fellowship experience that will facilitate the pursuit of an intense interest beyond the scope of an academic course, a vocational commitment, routine summer job, internship, or enrichment program. In short, to become a Rosen Fellow, a student must demonstrate

1. exceptional capacity to self-identify a compelling life goal
2. the drive, focus and will-power to pursue the goal
3. the imagination and resourcefulness to plan a fellowship experience that will credibly advance the likelihood of achieving the goal

THE FELLOWSHIP EXPERIENCE

The range and nature of fellowship experiences will be bounded only by feasibility, and the imagination and resourcefulness of successful applicants. The duration and location of the fellowship experience may vary accordingly, but the fellowship experience should be completed within the summer immediately following the submission of the application.

The application should propose a fellowship experience that

1. reflects the fellow's ability
2. advances the fellow's intense interest in some demonstrable fashion
3. is concretely and coherently conceived and planned
4. has a logical and definable duration
5. is "achievable" under the terms of the program and within University rules, policies, and procedures
6. is supported by a budget demonstrating that the fellowship experience has been planned in an efficient and economical manner
7. is likely to affect the fellow's life significantly

Each fellow will be responsible for making his/her own fellowship experience arrangements. Each fellow takes full responsibility for these arrangements and for his/her own conduct and safety during the fellowship experience. Each fellow will be required to sign a form releasing the University from responsibility for property damage, personal injury, accidents, illness, death, or other harm that might occur as a result of the fellowship experience. Each fellow will be required to carry sufficient medical insurance for the period of the award. If the fellowship experience includes travel, that insurance must include a specific provision for evacuation to a location for appropriate medical treatment, if necessary.

THE FELLOWSHIP EXPERIENCE REPORT AND DINNER

Students are required to keep a journal of their experiences which will be periodically reviewed by the Scholarship Office. Within one month of the conclusion of the fellowship experience, each fellow will submit to the Office of Scholarships a written report on the fellowship experience that addresses the following two questions: "What did I do?" and "What did it do to me?" These reports will be circulated to the selection committee and others throughout the College. Fellows will also attend the Fellows Dinner to be held each spring. On that occasion, new fellows will describe the experiences they are about to undertake, and those completing fellowship experiences will discuss their projects.

THE FELLOWSHIP FOLLOW-ON PROJECT

Rosen Fellows are required to carry out a Follow-on Project upon completion of their fellowship experience which promotes the Rosen Fellowship Program. Projects should maximize the impact of your experiences by extending the benefits you received to your campus and community. Projects should be clear, able to be completed in approximately one semester, and have achievable goals.

Your Follow-on Project should address the following questions.

1. Briefly outline your proposed project. How will this project impact your home university or home community? What are your project goals?
2. What is your target population and how will your project impact this group?
3. How will you integrate the impact of your experiences abroad into your project?
4. What, if any, campus departments, student organizations, and/or community organizations will you collaborate with? Have you already made contact with these groups?
5. Upon completion of your project you will be required to submit a two-page final report.

By my signature below, I state that I have read the above provisions of the Rosen Fellows Program and that, if selected as a Rosen Fellow, I agree to abide by them.

Signature

Date

PART II

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A. Personal Statement and Fellowship Experience Proposal

In approximately 1000 words (typed, double-spaced) describe the fellowship experience you propose and cite evidence of your qualifications for being selected as a Rosen Fellow. If your proposed experience requires obtaining special permission from companies, archives, government agencies, faculty members, or other individuals/organizations, letters of support or authorization may be separately attached. Please do not submit slides, tapes, examples of written work or other supplementary materials with your application. If the selection committee wishes to examine such materials, you will be contacted.

B. Fellowship Experience Budget

As specifically as possible, list the expenses connected with the fellowship experience you describe. Wherever possible, these should be ACTUAL rather than estimated expenses. If estimated, indicate the basis for your estimate. Please total these expenses. The maximum possible stipend is \$5,000.

C. Supporting Letters

Give a copy of your COMPLETED application (including the Recommendation Request Form) to two individuals who are in a position to (1) assess the talent/promise you cite as the basis for your consideration as a Rosen Fellow, and (2) comment on the likely benefit and feasibility of the fellowship experience you propose. If your proposed experience requires obtaining special permission from companies, archives, government agencies, faculty members, or other individuals/organizations, letters of support or authorization must be separately attached.

Please ask them to send ONE ORIGINAL copy of their letter to:

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Brooklyn College
2900 Bedford Ave
Brooklyn, NY 11210

The letters must arrive by the application deadline, January 7th, 2014 Letters of support must be received separately from your application.

D. Résumé

Attach a current personal résumé, listing work experience, campus and community activities, and honors and awards received in college and high school.

E. Transcript

Attach a copy of your current College transcript.

F. Application Form

Complete and attach a copy of the application form (next page).

F. Signature

Please sign Part I and return with your completed application.

Please submit all materials to:

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Brooklyn College
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Brooklyn, NY 11210

The Rosen Fellowship Application Form

NAME:

Towns _____ Kiara _____

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ADDRESS: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

PHONE: HOME: _____ WORK: _____ CELL: _____

EMAIL: _____

MAJOR: _____

CAREER GOAL: _____

DATES ATTENDING: FROM: _____ TO: _____

ANTICIPATED DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

Project Abstract (In no more than four sentences, please describe your project idea.)

The Rosen Fellowship Monthly Progress Sheet

Please return this to

Stephen Gracia

210 West Quad Center

On or before **11/30**

Student Name: _____

Supervising professor's name: _____

Please list your:

Your recommenders: _____

Affiliations (If applicable): _____

Briefly describe your project. (Please include any questions you have or difficulties you've encountered.)

