Who is Eligible to Apply to Emory’s MMUF Program?

1. Rising Juniors with a preferred minimum GPA of 3.2.
2. Study in one of the many designated fields or disciplines.
3. Demonstrate a commitment to increasing the presence of African Americans, Hispanics/Latinxs, and Native Americans in the academy.
4. Express serious interest in pursuing graduate studies leading to a Ph.D. in one of the humanities or a select group of disciplines in the sciences and social sciences.

Disciplinary Areas

Anthropology/Archaeology
Area/Cultural/Ethnic/Gender Studies
Art History
Classics
Geography and Population Studies
English
Film/Cinema/Media Studies (theoretical focus)
Musicology & Ethnomusicology
Foreign Languages and Literatures
History
Linguistics
Literature
Performance Studies (theoretical focus)
Philosophy and Political Theory
Religion and Theology
Sociology
Theater (non-performance focus)

*Other fields that employ historical and philosophical methods may also be eligible. Please contact Dr. Dianne Stewart, coordinator of Emory’s MMUF program, if your field is not listed.

How to Apply?

1. Contact Emory’s MMUF Coordinators for more information:

   **Faculty Coordinator:** Dr. Dianne Stewart
   Samuel Candler Dobbs Professor of Religion and African American Studies
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   404.727.8671

   **Faculty Co-Coordinator:** Dr. Elaine Penagos
   Visiting Assistant Professor, Religion
   elaine.penagos@emory.edu

   **Program Coordinator:** Ms. Naomi Diemer
   MMUF Program Coordinator
   naomi.love.diemer@emory.edu

2. Applications will soon be available on the “Apply” page of the website.

   Access the MMUF application at:
   http://mellonmays.emory.edu

Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program

MMUF aims to achieve its mission by identifying and supporting students of great promise and helping them become scholars of the highest distinction.
Benjamin Elijah Mays was born in 1895 in South Carolina and graduated from Bates College in Maine in 1920. He attended the University of Chicago for his master’s and doctorate degrees. He taught at Morehouse College and at South Carolina State College. From 1934 to 1940, he served as Dean of Howard University’s School of Religion and then became the President of Morehouse College. He also served his community, becoming the first black president of the Atlanta school board. Among his books were the first sociological study of African-American religion, *The Negro’s Church*, *The Negro’s God*, *Disturbed about Man*, and his autobiography, *Born to Rebel*.

### MMUF Program Statistics at a Glance as of 2019:

- **Total of selected MMUF students:** Over 5,000
- **MMUF PhDs:** Over 800
- **MMUF tenured faculty members:** Over 120

### Emory MMUF Expectations

1. Attend the MMUF Summer Institute held for the entire month of June.
2. Attend monthly meetings with coordinators and graduate mentors.
3. Attend regular semester advisory meetings with mentor, coordinators, and graduate student mentors.
4. Attend annual regional conferences and deliver research presentations (SERC and Emory’s MMUF Research Conference).
5. Uphold professional standards of collegiality and academic citizenship.
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### Benefits

1. Receive a stipend of $3600 per academic year ($1800 per semester) for conducting and producing a research project.
2. Receive up to $3900 of summer funding toward research project development.
3. Receive up to $600 toward GRE prep.
4. Receive ongoing mentoring, research support, and professional guidance from faculty members, coordinators, and graduate students.
5. Receive up to $600 per academic year to support scholarly conference attendance with an MMUF mentor.
6. Receive up to $400 additional funds for senior year research.
7. Fellows who enroll in Ph.D. programs no later than 39 months after receiving the B.A. are eligible for the Loan Forgiveness program.
8. Opportunities to learn about and participate in additional affiliate undergraduate programs, for example:

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**The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation**

**Institute for Recruitment of Teachers (IRT) Summer Workshop and Association Program**

**Moore Undergraduate Research Assistant Program (MURAP)**