



the SUNY OSWEGO
POSSIBILITY SCHOLARSHIP

a world of possibilities



The \$118 million world-class Richard S. Shineman Center for Science, Engineering and Innovation opened Fall 2013.



THE FUTURE MADE POSSIBLE

SUNY Oswego's *Possibility Scholarship* program supports high-achieving and financially-disadvantaged students from New York State who are committed to study in the science, technology, engineering or math (STEM) fields. The aim is to remove all financial barriers to a college education.

The program provides full financial support for undergraduate tuition, fees, a double-occupancy room and board (in coordination with existing financial aid and other grants), as well as a hands-on summer research experience and international service learning. This is a unique opportunity to receive an exceptional educational experience. As a result, students will develop the skills necessary to become leaders in critical and highly rewarding career fields.

The residential experience supported by the scholarship creates an opportunity for learning that is meaningful beyond the classroom. *Possibility Scholars* will live in an environment where learning and community flourish and individuals become independent thinkers.

THE SUMMER RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Possibility Scholars will receive a summer stipend along with room and board to engage in a rigorous, laboratory-based summer research experience on the Oswego campus. Working closely with a faculty mentor matched to their academic interests and career goals, *Possibility Scholars* will exercise critical thinking skills and enter into valuable professional relationships for the future.

THE GLOBAL LABORATORY

Possibility Scholars will receive support for an international experience. Scholars will benefit from holistic learning and experience that will give them practice working across borders to study real-world problems such as mitigating climate change, controlling emerging diseases, reducing extreme poverty, developing sustainable energy resources, and wisely managing water and food systems. Being embedded in an international community will provide a richer understanding of our shared humanity.

BENEFITS

- **Need-based renewable scholarship** – Covers undergraduate tuition, mandatory fees, double-occupancy room and board for up to four consecutive years at SUNY Oswego in coordination with other existing financial aid.
- **Summer Research Institute** – Summer stipend, room and board; covers expenses to work with a faculty mentor matched to your research interest and career goals.
- **International experience** – Funding for an international learning experience to study real-world problems such as emerging diseases, climate change, poverty and sustainable energy.

REQUIREMENTS

- Be a New York State resident
- Complete an application for freshman admission to SUNY Oswego, and be admitted to a science, technology, engineering or math (STEM) major for the fall term. For a list of qualifying majors please visit oswego.edu/possibility.
- Obtain a recommendation from an educator at your school
- Demonstrate high potential for success in a STEM field
- Document high financial need as demonstrated by financial aid application (FAFSA)
- Preference given to first-generation college students
- Live on campus



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Mary DaCosta '15 has wanted to be a doctor since childhood. This past summer, she had an internship at Case Western Reserve University's School of Medicine through the *Possibility Scholarship* program. The *Possibility Scholarship* not only makes college affordable, she said, it provides the academic opportunities and support that continue to make her college experience unforgettable.



"This internship has really made me aware of the opportunities within the field of science, and has given me a better idea of what to expect."

Biology major & *Possibility Scholar*
Mary DaCosta '15



"The Possibility Scholarship was the best thing to happen to me. It eased my financial burden of paying for college, and allowed me to travel to Taiwan to research condensed matter physics. With the help of the Physics department, I was able to go to several conferences throughout the U.S. to present this research."

Physics & Computer Science, Possibility Scholar
Mateusz Zuba '16



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