2008-2009 National and International Scholarship Committee

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We had some nice success in the scholarship/fellowship competitions, with one Udall Scholar (Matthew Thoms), one Goldwater Scholar (Jose Ordovas-Montanes), one Beinecke Scholar (Benjamin Sacks), one Emerson Hunger Fellow (Jennifer Bailey), and one CORO Fellow (Lena Andrews). Seven former Tufts undergraduates/current graduate students won National Science Foundation Fellowships for graduate study, a record-tying year for us. On the international scholarship front, the Fulbright and Rotary process is incomplete, but we will probably have 10-11 winners this year (two students turned down German Fulbrights to accept Austrian Teaching Fellowships). We had a couple of students who were finalists for prestigious awards but did not win, which is frustrating but indicates that Tufts students are “in the game.” We had one honorable mention Goldwater Scholar and one finalist for the Marshall Scholarship.

Below is a chart that tracks our performance in national scholarship and fellowship competitions and international (Fulbright/Rotary) scholarship competitions over the past decade:

National scholarships include Rhodes, Marshall, Truman, Goldwater, Beinecke, Luce, CORO, USA Today, Udall, Cooke, Churchill, Soros, Emerson Hunger, and Mellon. The Mellon Program ended in 2005. Chart does not include NSF Graduate Fellowships or Fulbright/Rotary.
At present, four students are waiting to hear a final determination from the Fulbright organization. Only one student won a Rotary Scholarship this year.

The following faculty served on the committee, helping students with Fulbright applications, helping to select Tufts nominees for the various competitions, and helping with mock interviews. The committee is led by Laura Doane, Director of Scholarships and Fellowships.

Glaser, James M.  Dean of Undergraduate Education
Baffoni-Licata, Laura Rom Lang Senior Lecturer
Baise, Laurie Civil & Environmental Eng Assistant Professor
Bauer, Nancy Philosophy Associate Professor
Boghosian, Bruce Math Professor
Camara, Kathleen Child Dev Associate Professor
Cruz, Consuelo Poli Sci Associate Professor
Eichenberg, Richard Poli Sci Associate Professor
Ellmore, George Biology Associate Professor
Jacob, Robert Computer Science Professor
Kilmer, Misha Math Professor 08-09
Locke, David Music Associate Professor
Mufti, Malik Poli Sci Associate Professor
Pechenik, Jan Biology Professor 08-09
Remick, Elizabeth Poli Sci Associate Professor
Sliwa, Krzysztof Phys/Astron Professor
Tan, Chih Economics Assistant Professor
Taylor, Holly Psychology Professor
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