CRITERIA TO BE WEIGHED IN SELECTING MMUF AND ADRF PARTICIPANTS

The Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program

- Academic promise
- Interest in pursuing an academic career
- Interest in Mellon designated fields of study: anthropology and archeology, area/cultural/ethnic/gender studies, art history, classics, geography and population studies, English, film, cinema, and media studies, musicology and ethnomusicology, foreign languages and literatures, history, linguistics, literature, performance studies (theoretical focus), philosophy and political theory, religion and theology, sociology, theater (non-performance focus), interdisciplinary studies (if they have one or more Mellon fields at their core)
- Potential for serving as a mentor and teacher for a wide variety of students
- Race and ethnicity (in relation to underrepresentation in designated fields of study)
- Demonstrated commitment to the goals of MMUF: to reduce the serious underrepresentation on faculties of individuals from minority groups, as well as to address the consequences of these racial disparities for the educational system itself and for the larger society it serves. Examples of such commitment may include serious undergraduate research into racial disparities in higher education; a strong record of tutoring students from underrepresented groups; or sustained mentoring of children from such groups
- Commitment to participating fully in all aspects of the MMUF program, including attendance at conferences and meetings
- Status as a US citizen or permanent resident

The Allison Davis Research Fellowship

- Academic promise
- Interest in pursuing an academic career
- Commitment to participating fully in all aspects of the ADRF program
- Underrepresentation in designated fields of study
- Status as one or more of the following:
  - first generation college student,
  - African American, Latino/a, Asian American, Native American,
  - non-US citizen of African, Hispanic, or Asian descent

*Preference given to candidates who meet more than one eligibility requirement.*

Note: While you are encouraged to apply for other opportunities offered by Williams (e.g. an alumni-sponsored internships through the Career Center or a travel fellowship through the Fellowships Office), you may not accept more than one Williams-funded opportunity for the summer after sophomore year. Second year MMUF and ADRF fellows are eligible for travel fellowships if their research takes them abroad and they can fulfill the obligations of both fellowships.