



Welcome to the Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship (MMUF)
Program 2026-2027 Student Application
The application is due Friday, March 6, 2026, by 11:59 pm.

I. Personal Information

- First name
- Middle Name
- Last Name
- Gender Pronouns (Ex: she/her/hers, they/them/theirs, he/him/his, etc.):
- Student ID # (Must include all 9 digits Ex: 012345678):
- Ethnicity/Race (Mark all that apply):
 - African American/Black
 - Hispanic/Latino (Please Specify)
 - Native American
 - Pacific Islander (Please Specify)
 - Asian/Asian American (non-Pacific Islander)
 - White (non-Hispanic)
 - Other (Please specify)
- Current Campus Address:
- Permanent Address (if same as above, state same as above):
- Apt/Unit:
- City:
- State:
- Zip code:
- CSULB Email:
- Personal Email:
- Area Code:
- Phone Number:

II. Current Class Standing:

- Sophomore or Second Year Student:
- First Year Transfer Student:
- Other (Specify):
- Expected graduation date:
- I have two full academic years left at CSULB prior to my graduation.
- I do NOT have two full academic years left at CSULB prior to my graduation.
 - State how many semesters you have left prior to graduation:

III. Academic & Major Information

- Undergraduate Major(s):
- Undergraduate Minor(s):
- Are you in the University Honors Program?
- Overall GPA:
- Major GPA:
- Scholarships and or fellowships you currently hold or have been awarded while at CSULB:

Scholarships and or fellowships you are currently applying for:

III. Work Information

How many hours a week do you currently work (indicate if employment is on-campus or off-campus)? Enter "N/A" in response box if you are not employed

V. Prospective MMUF Research Project & Graduate School Information

- Current Research Interests:
- Proposed Title of Prospective MMUF research project:
- Intended Graduate School Area of Focus
- Intended Graduate School Programs/Departments

VI. MMUF Essay

Please write an essay of 3-4 pages (typed in Times New Roman, 12 pt. font, double spaced with 1-inch margins), clearly describing the following all three segments:

- A) Your academic research interests and possible career plans.
- B) How the MMUF program and Dr. Mays' ideals might be integral to your academic goals (a brief biography of Dr. Mays is on the MMUF website)
- C) What you hope to achieve in the MMUF program.

The MMUF Essay should be submitted as an attached .pdf document.

VII. Academic Writing Sample

- Please provide an academic writing sample, approximately 5-10 pages in length (e.g., paper submitted for a course, research paper, publication, etc.). The writing sample should reflect the student's writing and analytical skills. While applicants are not required to submit a humanities-related writing sample, it is encouraged.
- Your document must be uploaded as a pdf document.

VII. Resume

- Please upload a current resume which includes extracurricular activities and honors/awards.

Your document must be uploaded as a .pdf document.

IX. Letters of Recommendation

- Signed confidential letters of recommendation on official letterhead from two (2) faculty must be submitted on or before the deadline.
 - Provide the names and emails of your recommenders.
- The MMUF Essay should be submitted as an attached pdf document.

X. Permission to retrieve academic transcripts.

- You grant CSULB MMUF permission to retrieve academic transcripts.

XI. Interviews- TBA

- Applicants who are invited to interview MUST be available to attend on the scheduled interview days, no exceptions will be granted. Otherwise, the applicant will forfeit any opportunity to proceed in the selection process.

XII. Electronic Signature

- Please Note: By signing this form, you both endorse your application and give California State University, Long Beach the permission to access your current transcripts; these transcripts will become part of your MMUF file. Likewise, you affirm that if selected as an MMUF fellow, you are committed to preparing applications for a Ph. D granting graduate program in a Mellon approved field and intend accept and pursue any resulting offers. Additionally, you affirm that all the statements made in this application are, to the best of your knowledge, true and correct.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGES WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

If you have any questions, please email: aa-mmuf@csulb.edu.