Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program

- **Purpose**
  - The Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program was established by Congress in 1986 to honor Senator Barry Goldwater, who served his country for 56 years as a soldier and statesman, including 30 years of service in the U.S. Senate. The purpose of the Foundation is to provide a continuing source of highly qualified scientists, mathematicians, and engineers by awarding scholarships to college students who intend to pursue research careers in these fields.

- **Eligibility Requirements**
  - Be a full-time matriculated sophomore or junior pursuing a degree at an accredited institution of higher education during the 2024–2025 academic year, and intend to pursue research careers in mathematics, the natural sciences, or engineering.
  - Have a college grade-point average of at least 3.0
  - Be a United States citizen, a permanent resident, or, for students nominated from American Samoa or Commonwealth of the Mariana Islands, a United States national.

- **Application Process**
  - To apply for the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program students must first contact the campus representative, Dr. Todd Fraley, to start the application process.
  - Applications open in early September.
  - Students can expect the following requirements throughout the process:
    - Original application
    - Online questionnaire
    - Research essay
    - Three letters of recommendation
    - A 2-page personal essay
    - Transcripts for all college coursework
    - Copy of Permanent Resident card
  - The application deadline is 5:00pm (Central Time) on the last Friday in January.

- **Selection Process**
  - Applications are reviewed and award letters will be mailed to students by late March.

- **Campus Contact**
  - To apply, contact ECU Goldwater Campus Contact, Dr. Todd Fraley at fraleyt@ecu.edu.

- **Website Link**
  - For more information, please visit https://goldwater.scholarsapply.org.

- **Recent ECU Recipients**
  - Elliot Paul - 2021 Recipient
  - William Guiler – 2020 recipient