# The Gates Millennium Scholars Program

### Purpose

The Gates Millennium Scholars (GMS) Program selects 1,000 talented students each year to receive a good-through-graduation scholarship to use at any college or university of their choice. The goal is to promote academic excellence and to provide an opportunity for outstanding minority students with significant financial need to reach their highest potential.

## • Eligibility Requirements

- o Student must exemplify a minimum cumulative high school GPA of 3.3
- Student must plan to enroll for the first time at a U.S. located college or university in the fall following high school graduation as a full-time, degree-seeking, firstyear student.
- Student must be of one of the following ethnicities: African American/Black, American Indian-Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American, Hispanic American
- o Student must be a U.S. Citizen, U.S. national, or permanent resident
- Student must meet the Federal Pell Grant eligibility criteria

#### • Application Process

- Students can expect the following requirements on the application:
  - Student Application (Nominee Personal Information Form)
  - Educator's evaluation of the student's academic record (Nominator Form)
  - Evaluation of the student's community service and leadership activities (Recommender Form)
- The last cohort of scholars was selected in May 2019. The application will not be open to new applicants until 2028 when all current scholars have finished their programs.

#### • Website Link

o For more information, please visit www.gmsp.org

#### • Current / Recent ECU Recipients

- o Devin Smith, Brickson Sam, Maurica Bynum, Chorn Poyner, Ammini Thompson
- Trenton Gilstrap, Jeremy Lowery, Nakaya Melvin, Semiyah Sams, Kaliyah Tunstall, Alexandria Whitted – 2020 graduates
- Caleb Graham 2019 graduate
- o Jeremy Lowery 2018 graduate
- o Raveen Ford, Joseph Revels 2017 graduates
- o Christin Mckiver 2016 graduate

