Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program

• Purpose
  o 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
  o Be a full-time matriculated sophomore or junior pursuing a degree at an accredited institution of higher education during the 2021–2022 academic year, and intend to pursue research careers in mathematics, the natural sciences, or engineering.
  o Have a college grade-point average of at least 3.0
  o 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
  o 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.
  o Applications open in early September.
  o 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
  o The application deadline is 5:00pm (Central Time) on the last Friday in January.

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

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

• Website Link
  o For more information, please visit https://goldwater.scholarsapply.org.

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