Program Application
2017-2018 Cohort

**DEADLINE:**  Wednesday, February 15, 2017 @ 5:00 p.m.

**SUBMIT TO:**  Natasha V. Saldaña (nvs@austin.utexas.edu)

**QUESTIONS:**  Dr. Almeida Jacqueline Toribio, UT-Austin MMUF Director (toribio@austin.utexas.edu)

**Application Checklist**

- Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship (MMUF) Application
- Essays (2)
- Resume
- Letters of Recommendation (3)
- Signed *Sharing Private Information Waiver*

A personal interview will be required for MMUF candidates.
To apply for the Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship (MMUF) program, submit this application and supporting documents to Natasha V. Saldaña as a single PDF file: nvs@austin.utexas.edu.

Completed applications must be received by **Wednesday, February 15, 2017 @ 5:00 p.m.**

### Applicant Information

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**Citizenship Status:**

- [ ] U.S. Citizen
- [ ] Permanent Resident

**Race/Ethnicity (check all that apply):**

- [ ] American Indian or Alaska Native ________________________________
- [ ] Asian/Asian American ________________________________
- [ ] Black/African American ________________________________
- [ ] Foreign ________________________________
- [ ] Hispanic ________________________________
- [ ] Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander ________________________________
- [ ] White ________________________________
- [ ] Other ________________________________
Education Information

Major(s): ______________________________________________________

Minor(s): ______________________________________________________

Possible Field(s) of Graduate Study: ________________________________
______________________________________________________________

Possible Mentor for your Research: _________________________________

Proposed Research Topic for MMUF Study: __________________________
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How did you hear about the MMUF program? ________________________
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Essays

Two essays are required as part of the application.

I. An essay on one of the following topics (2 pages, double-spaced, 1” margins):
   i. Your academic interests, the area you plan to study in depth, and why.
   ii. A situation when you felt like a scholar: What intellectual experience or scholarly discovery inspired you?

II. A personal essay relating your academic and career goals to the legacy of Dr. Benjamin E. Mays (1 page, double-spaced, 1” margins). This essay should also describe activities that demonstrate your ability to take responsibility, work independently, and show initiative or perseverance. For Dr. May’s biography and bibliographic references, please visit the MMUF webpage: http://www.mmuf.org/about/dr-benjamin-e-mays.
I. **Resume**: highlighting your academic and extracurricular activities and any honors or awards you have received.

II. **Letters of Recommendation**: three (3) letters written by UT-Austin professors or teaching assistants from whom you have taken a course. One (1) of the letters must be written by a UT-Austin professor. Recommenders may submit their letters directly to Natasha V. Saldaña (nvs@austin.utexas.edu).

*Please list the name of your recommenders:*

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**Sharing Private Information Waiver**

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation monitors the progress of the students who are awarded funding in order to determine the effects of the fellowship. They will request that UT-Austin provide information about each participant’s pre UT-Austin schooling and test scores, UT-Austin academic record, and financial aid information. Any reporting of the data by the Mellon foundation will be in the aggregate with no reference to specific individuals. Please indicate, by signing below, that you will provide the requested information, and that UT-Austin may release information about you from its records to the Mellon Foundation.

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Signature                               Date