



NSF-PASS Scholarship Announcement

Physics & Astronomy Scholarship for Success (PASS)

If you are majoring in **Physics at TAMU-Commerce**, you may be eligible for receiving up to \$7,800/year NSF-PASS scholarship based on your financial need, \$500/year travel fund to attend scientific meetings and possible additional stipends for doing research with a faculty mentor, as well as special training in scientific writing and presentation. These supports may continue for you up to 3 years.

Eligibility:

- be a US Citizen, US Permanent Resident or Admitted Refugee
- pursue a degree in BS in **Physics** on a fulltime basis at TAMU-Commerce. Preference will be given to woman, minority or students with disability
- demonstrated academic ability or potential
- demonstrated financial need based on your FAFSA data
- have a minimum 3.0 GPA for students currently enrolled at TAMUC, special consideration on a case-by-case basis will be given to students in the 2.5-3.0 GPA range who demonstrate perseverance, motivation, growth mindset or other non-cognitive factors.

Application procedure:

1. Submit a complete FAFSA application at www.fafsa.ed.gov. The school code of TAMU-Commerce is 003565.
2. Submit an electronic application to the NSF-PASS management team: Bao-An.Li@tamuc.edu. The application includes an application form, transcripts and a 1-page essay discussing your education and career goals. SAT/ACT scores are welcome, but not required.
3. Transfer students are considered preferentially.
4. Please visit NSF-PASS website for more info at Tamuc.edu/physics (currently under construction)

For more information, please contact anyone of:

Bao-An.Li@Tamuc.edu; Cheri.Davis@Tamuc.edu; Matt.Wood@Tamuc.edu

Physics and Astronomy Scholarship for Success (PASS) at Texas A&M University-Commerce
National Science Foundation (NSF) Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
(S-STEM) Program
Scholar Information and Release Form

The following information has been requested from the National Science Foundation for the purpose of tracking the success of the S-STEM program, and as a condition of the award for scholarship. The information will be used by PASS program advisors at Texas A&M University-Commerce and will be reported to NSF. Certain demographic information (gender, ethnicity, race, disability) is optional. All information will be kept confidential, although NSF or its agents may contact you in the future to request your further participation in evaluation of the S-STEM program. Such research will be used to help improve the program, but you are not required to participate beyond providing the required information below.

Name: _____ **Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):** _____

CWID at Texas A&M University-Commerce: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Permanent Address:

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

School Residential Address (if different from above):

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Demographic Information:

Gender (check only one):

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Do not wish to provide

Ethnicity (check only one):

- ☐ Hispanic or Latino
- ☐ Not Hispanic or Latino
- ☐ Do not wish to provid

Race (check all that apply):

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| ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native | ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander |
| ☐ Asian | ☐ White |
| ☐ Black or African American | ☐ Do not wish to provide |

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Disability (check only one):

☐ Yes (check yes if any of the following apply)

- Deaf or serious difficulty hearing
- Blind or serious difficulty seeing even when wearing glasses
- Serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs
- Other serious disability related to a physical, mental, or emotional condition

☐ No

☐ Do not wish to provide

Verify your Intended Major at Texas A&M University-Commerce is Physics:

☐ Physics

Degree Program:

☐ Bachelor's

Class (check only one):

☐ Freshman (<XX credits)

☐ Sophomore (XX–XX credits)

☐ Junior (XX–XX credits)

☐ Senior ($\geq$ XX credits)

Do you work while enrolled in school?

☐ Yes

- How many hours on average per week during the term? _____

☐ No

What is your education and career goal? (please attach/upload an essay of no more than 1-page)

What is your current GPA? (please attach/upload your transcripts, unofficial ones are acceptable)

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Release of Information:

By signing below, I certify that the information contained in this form is true. I also give my permission for all information in this form as well as the relevant information in my [INSTITUTION NAME] record, including transcript and entrance information, to be available to my S-STEM advisors for the purpose of reporting to NSF and determining continuing eligibility for this scholarship. I realize that NSF or its agents may contact me to request further information for the purposes of evaluation of the S-STEM program, but that I am not required to participate. I also understand that this form will become a part of my official student record at Texas A&M University - Commerce.

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____