

Downloads: “Mitchell Scholarship”

Purpose of the Award: The Mitchell Scholarship, established in 1998, is intended to interest the next generation of American leaders in Ireland. Mitchell Scholars study at one of nine universities in Ireland and Northern Ireland, and fields of study are restricted only by availability at one of those universities.

Nature of the Award: Mitchell Scholars receive funding for one academic year of graduate study in Ireland or Northern Ireland, including tuition, room, travel to and from Ireland, and \$11,000. In addition, a travel stipend is provided

Eligibility Requirements: Students, aged 18 to 29 by October 1st, are eligible to apply if they are U.S. residents who will complete a Bachelor's degree prior to beginning study under the scholarship.

Selection Criteria: Mitchell selection is based on several criteria: leadership, academic distinction, extracurricular involvement, and personal qualities that demonstrate future leadership potential.

Application Procedures: All Mitchell applicants are required to secure the endorsement of their respective universities. Mitchell applicants from the University of Arizona must meet both the UA and the Mitchell deadline (see important dates). UA applicants must submit a completed Mitchell application, an official college transcript or transcripts, a list of principal activities and honors in college, a short personal statement (1000 words), and at least five letters of recommendation (submitted by the recommenders) to Dr. Karna Walter, the Mitchell Faculty Representative at the University of Arizona. Students who are nominated have several weeks to strengthen their applications before the Faculty Representative must submit them to the U.S.-Ireland Alliance.

Nomination Procedures: The University of Arizona may nominate more than one Mitchell Scholar if applications are deemed appropriately strong. A Mitchell selection committee appointed by the U.S.-Ireland Alliance will determine which applicants will be invited to interview in Washington, D.C., in November. The interviews will determine which applicants will be named Mitchell Scholars.

Important Dates:

- September 7: Mitchell application materials due to Dr. Karna Walter
- October 5: Mitchell applications due to U.S.-Ireland Alliance

Contact Information: Potential applicants should consult www.us-irelandalliance.org/scholarships.html to obtain specific details related to the Mitchell Scholarship. UA students considering applying for the Mitchell should contact Dr. Karna Walter, Assistant Director of International Studies and Scholarships, at 621-6546 or karna@u.arizona.edu. Dr. Walter is available to discuss application procedures and the personal statement.