



Elmhurst University Department of Education Noyce Scholarship Application Addendum

Promoting Inclusiveness and Diversity in Education (PRIDE) **Submission Due Date: Yearly by June 15 (fall) and December 15 (spring)**

The Noyce PRIDE application is submitted prior to a student's third year in a college/university. Applicants must pursue a major in biology, chemistry, physics or mathematics with the goal to teach STEM in secondary schools or grades 5-12 in mathematics. This is a competitive scholarship. Applicants are judged and interviewed by a committee that will review all Noyce PRIDE applications. The committee will develop a list of rank-ordered candidates based on their academic merit, interest in STEM teaching, ethnic, racial, language diversity and potential to contribute to and/or support inclusion in middle and secondary STEM classrooms (5-12).

Interested Noyce PRIDE applicants should provide the following information in addition to the information provided for the Elmhurst University and the Teacher Education Program Secondary Education application.

Country of Primary Citizenship (fill in the bank): _____

If your Primary Citizenship is not the United States, are you...

- A permanent resident of United States
- In the United States on an F1 Visa
- Foreign National

FAFSA Verification:

I have completed a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) application which verifies financial need. See [How Financial Aid Works](#).

Yes No

College/University GPA:

Biology (Required GPA of 2.75): _____

Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics (Required GPA of 2.5): _____

Indicate your major:

- Biology with Secondary Science Education
- Chemistry with Secondary Science Education
- Physics with Secondary Science Education
- Mathematics & Secondary Education (5-12)

Elmhurst University Department of Education Verification:

I have applied to the Elmhurst Teacher Education Program Secondary Education program:

Yes No

Colleges and universities are asked by many groups, including the federal government, accrediting associations, college guides, and newspapers, to describe the ethnic/racial backgrounds of their students and employees. In order to respond to these requests, we ask you to answer the following two questions. [View Definitions](#).

Are you Hispanic or Latino?

Yes No

Select one or more of the following races:

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific
- White
- Other/Prefer not to answer

ESSAY

Narrative essay specific to the Noyce PRIDE application: In the box below, type a 500-word (maximum) narrative essay describing:

- a. Your interest in and goals for becoming a grades 5-12 STEM teacher (biology, chemistry, mathematics, or physics).
- b. Discuss any experiences you have had in STEM education including experiences working with adolescents (grades 5-12) and their families in a community.
- c. Discuss your commitment to teach in a high-needs school district or equivalent environment after you graduate.

Letter of recommendation specific to the Noyce PRIDE application: Request one letter of recommendation from a post-secondary faculty member in a STEM major (biology, chemistry, mathematics, or physics) or Education. This letter should include reference to your academic achievement, work in a high-need district or equivalent environment or include reasons to believe that you are up to the challenge of teaching STEM in 5-12 schools.

Selection Process:

A member of the Noyce PRIDE Selection Committee at Elmhurst University will conduct an interview with each applicant by phone or in person. Applicants will be asked about their interest in teaching STEM and their academic accomplishments. The committee will then review all applications and, considering the interview, develop a list of rank-ordered candidates based on academic merit, interest in STEM teaching, and potential to contribute to and/or support diversity and inclusion in middle and secondary STEM classrooms.

The committee will evaluate and extend scholarship offers to a select number of applicants by July 1. If any invitations are declined, the committee will then move to the next ranked applicant.

Upon Admission:

An Elmhurst University approved Course Plan of study will be completed by all Noyce scholars during the first semester in the PRIDE program. This plan will detail the scope and sequence of the two years of study in a STEM Education degree program at Elmhurst University.

Application Submission

Upload your application and accompanying letter(s) of recommendation [here](#). You will need your eNumber and technology account password for access. If you have any technical issues, reach out to our service desk at 630-617-3767 or servicedesk@elmhurst.edu.