

**MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE
NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP & SCHOLARSHIP
COMPETITION RESULTS
2006-2007**

This report was compiled by the Office of Student Fellowships and Scholarships, located in Carr Hall. Additional information on award opportunities may be obtained on the Fellowship website, by visiting the office, or by calling extension 2455.

Section I. Awards for Academic Study:

BEINECKE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Beinecke Scholarships enable and encourage highly motivated students to take the fullest advantage of graduate opportunities available to them, and to be courageous in the selection of graduate study programs. Juniors are awarded \$2,000 for senior year and \$15,000 for each of two years of graduate study. (20 nationally) (Middlebury may nominate one student.)

2007 Nominee: **Ezra Axelrod '08** (Music—*studied in Argentina*)

**JACK KENT COOKE
FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation provides scholarships to outstanding individuals with financial need to help those of exceptional promise reach their full potential through education. Thirty-five graduate scholarships worth up to \$50,000 each are awarded to college seniors or recent graduates to pursue graduate or professional programs in any field. No citizenship restrictions. Any college or university may nominate two candidates.

2007 Nominees: **Bilal Habib '04** (Economics, Mathematics)
 Sumaya Huque '06 (Chemistry, Economics)

**J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT
GRANT**

Fulbright Grants enable students to undertake research or advanced study or teach English as a second language for up to one year in a foreign country. (Middlebury submits all applications.)

2007 Applicants: **Aurelia Ball '07** (Physics—*studied in France*)
 Elizabeth Campbell '06.5 (Political Science, French—*studied in France*)
 Lucy Chapin '06.5 (Religion, English—*studied in Nepal and South Africa*)
 Suzanne Czerniak '06.5 (Biochemistry, English)
 Jennifer Higgins '06.5 (Biochemistry)
 Piya Kashyap '07 (English—*studied in Italy and United Kingdom*)
 Jacob Kuipers '06.5 (Political Science)
 Courtney Matson '06.5 (International Studies, Chinese—*studied in China*)

Ilyse Mehlman '07 (History—*studied in Czech Republic*)
Rachel Rosenfeld '07 (International Studies—*studied in Russia*)
Amber Rydberg '06.5 (Chinese, Political Science—*studied in China*)
Lindsey Seldin '07 (Biology, Spanish—*studied in Spain*)

2007 Finalists: **Aurelia Ball**
Elizabeth Campbell
Suzanne Czerniak
Jennifer Higgins
Ilyse Mehlman
Amber Rydberg
Lindsey Seldin

2007 Alternates: **Elizabeth Campbell** (Morocco)
Suzanne Czerniak (Taiwan)

2007 Scholars: **Amber Rydberg** (South Korea)
Teaching Assistantship in English
Jennifer Higgins (Mongolia)
Researching veterinary practices of nomadic herders

**BENJAMIN A. GILMAN
INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Gilman Scholarships, sponsored by the US Department of State, expand opportunities for study abroad for students with limited financial means. Undergraduates receiving a Federal Pell Grant receive up to \$5,000 for a semester or year of study abroad.

2007 Scholar: **Katherine DiMercurio '09** (Sociology/Anthropology)
Fall, 2007 study in Nicaragua

BARRY M. GOLDWATER SCHOLARSHIP

Goldwater Scholarships foster and encourage excellence in mathematics, natural sciences and engineering. Sophomores and juniors (316 nationally) receive one- or two-year scholarships for tuition, fees, books, and room and board, up to a maximum of \$7,500 per year. (Middlebury may nominate up to four students.)

2007 Nominee: **Adam Volwiler '09** (Chemistry)

**INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL
PUBLIC POLICY FELLOWSHIP**

The IIPP was created to help meet the national need to increase the number of underrepresented minorities in international service careers. Funding for Summer Language Institutes, Internships, Sophomore Summer Policy Institute, Junior Year Study Abroad, Junior Summer Policy Institute, and graduate school.

2007 Fellow: **Nadegha Gonzalez '09** (Arabic Studies—*will study in Egypt, fall 07*)

JASSO JAPANESE GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP

The Japan Student Service Organization offers scholarships for international students who are accepted by a Japanese university under an exchange agreement between the Japanese host university and their home universities.

2007 Scholar: **Juliana Clock '09** (Japanese Studies)
2007-08 study in Japan

KEASBEY SCHOLARSHIP

Keasbey Scholarships cover two years of graduate study at one of several selective universities in Great Britain. Middlebury College is invited to compete once every three years, and may nominate up to three candidates. (There are 12 participating US colleges/universities in this program.)

2007 Nominees: **Olivia Bailey '07** (Philosophy, French—*studied in France*)
Nancy Fullman '07 (Psychology—*studied in Scotland*)
Sara Lowes '07 (Economics, Political Science—*studied in Spain*)

2007 Scholar: **Olivia Bailey**
Oxford University; MPhil in Philosophy

DOLORES ZOHRAB LIEBMANN FELLOWSHIP

The Liebmann Fellowship provides graduate study grants as well as independent research or study projects. The fellowship covers tuition plus a stipend. (Middlebury may nominate up to three candidates.)

2007 Nominee: **Amaury Sosa '07** (Literary Studies—*studied in Brazil and Spain*)

MARSHALL SCHOLARSHIP

British Marshall Scholarships finance young Americans of high ability to study for a degree at selective universities in the United Kingdom. (40 annually) (College endorsement required.)

2007 Nominees: **Patrick J. Abatiell, III '07** (English Literature, Italian—*studied in Italy*)
Olivia Bailey '07 (Philosophy, French—*studied in France*)
Nancy Fullman '07 (Psychology—*studied in Scotland*)
Taylor Johnston '07 (English and American Lit, Spanish—*studied in England*)
Christopher Lizotte '07 (Geography, History of Art/Architecture)
Danielle Naugle '06.5 (Sociology/Anthropology, Spanish—*studied in Uruguay*)

GEORGE J. MITCHELL SCHOLARSHIP

Mitchell Scholarships provide seniors or recent graduates one year of graduate study at an institution of higher learning in Ireland or Northern Ireland. Winners will receive an \$11,000 stipend for tuition, room and travel.

2007 Nominee: **Taylor Johnston '07** (English and American Lit, Spanish—*studied in England*)

NSF RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

The National Science Foundation (NSF) promotes careers in science, math, and engineering. The award provides approximately \$27,000 per year, for up to three years of study leading to a master's or doctoral degree.

2007 Applicants: **Karen Stahlheber '07** (Biology, Environmental Science—*studied in Costa Rica*)
Junaid Ziauddin '99 (Molecular Biology and Biochemistry—*studied in France*)

2007 Fellow: **Junaid Ziauddin**
Stanford University: Ph.D. in Microbiology and Immunology,
Biosciences Program

PICKERING UNDERGRADUATE FOREIGN AFFAIRS FELLOWSHIP

The Pickering Fellowship seeks talented sophomores in academic programs relevant to international affairs and science policy from all ethnic, racial, and social backgrounds who have an interest in pursuing a Foreign Service career in the U.S. Department of State. The award covers tuition and related fees for the junior and senior years of college and one year of graduate study. (20 annually)

2007 Fellow: **Alexander Hall '08.5** (International Politics and Economics—*studied in Germany*)

RHODES SCHOLARSHIP

The Rhodes Trust promotes international understanding and peace by bringing able students from around the world to study together for two years at Oxford University. Scholarships are approximately \$19,000 per year. (32 annually) (College endorsement required.)

2007 Nominees: **Olivia Bailey '07** (Philosophy, French—*studied in France*)
Christopher Lizotte '07 (Geography, History of Art/Architecture)

2007 Finalist: **Olivia Bailey**

MORRIS K. UDALL SCHOLARSHIP

Udall Scholarships encourage outstanding students to pursue careers related to environmental public policy and to foster excellence in the field. \$5,000 awards to sophomores and juniors (80 annually). (Middlebury may nominate up to six students.)

2007 Nominees: **Corinne Almquist '09** (Environmental Studies—*studied in India*)
Claire Polfus '08 (Environmental Studies)

THOMAS J. WATSON FELLOWSHIP

Watson Fellowships enable seniors of unusual promise to engage in focused independent study and travel abroad after graduation. The award is \$25,000. Up to 50 Fellows are selected from the 50 participating colleges. (Middlebury may nominate up to four students.)

2007 Nominees: **Dalal Al-Abdulrazzak '07** (Environmental Studies/Conservation Biology—*studied in Moorea*)
 Devil Sharks and God-sharks: The Myths of the Man-Eaters
 Fiji, Cook Islands, Solomon Islands, New Zealand, Australia, Japan,
 South Africa, Panama
Carolyn Barnwell '06.5 (Environmental Studies, Anthropology – *studied in Thailand*)
 Rising Seas, Vanishing Islands, and Disappearing Reefs:
 Palau, Yap, Fiji, Tuvalu, Cook Islands, Mauritius
Jameson Henn '07 (History—*studied in India, Nepal, Bhutan*)
 Voices from the frontlines of youth climate activism
 Canada, Brazil, Kenya, Micronesia, Bangladesh, China
Sathyvani Sathisan '07 (Political Science—*studied in England*)
 The socio-political usage of theatre
 Philippines, India, Russia, South Africa, Brazil

2007 Fellows: **Dalal Al-Abdulrazzak**
Carolyn Barnwell
Sathyvani Sathisan

Section II. Awards for Internships:

PRINCETON-IN-ASIA FELLOWSHIP

Princeton-in-Asia provides transformative, service-oriented experiences for talented graduates and serves the needs of Asia as determined by their Asian partners. Over the last century, the organization has achieved this goal by providing talented young people with various opportunities to live and work in Asia.

2007 Fellows: **Chris Heinrich '07** (Sociology/Anthropology—*studied in Argentina*)
ReNard Rogers '07 (Philosophy)

**ROOSEVELT INSTITUTION
FELLOWSHIP**

Roosevelt Institution, the nation’s first student think tank, selects eight students for a senior fellowship to further pursue and promote their research. The ideas produced by the senior fellows will be directly targeted to members of Congress and state and local elected officials.

2007 Fellow: **Olivia Katz ’07** (Political Science—*studied in France*)

Section III. Additional awards won by Middlebury students and alumni:

Center for Research on Vermont awarded the Bryan Award for outstanding student research on a Vermont subject to:

Emily Wheeler ’07 (Environmental Studies—*studied in Mongolia*)
for her project entitled “Small Town vs. Big Wind: Exploring the Complexity of the Wind Power Debate in Rural Vermont” – advisor, Burke Rochford

The Council on Undergraduate Research recognized two Middlebury students at its 2007 “Posters on the Hill” Program in Washington, D.C.:

Lee Corbett ’07 (major)
Research topic: “Vermont *terroir*: investigating the link between maple syrup chemistry and bedrock lithology”
Kristen Pelz ’06 (Environmental Studies/Conservation Biology, Geography—*studied in Tanzania*)
Research topic: “The effect of habitat fragmentation on bee pollinator communities in Vermont”

Kathryn Wasserman Davis 100 Projects for Peace awarded three Middlebury projects funding for summer, 2007, work around the world for peace through grassroots effort.

Aylie Baker, Leah Bevis, Vijay Chowdhari, Christopher O’Connell (all ’09) (History; Economics, Geography; IP & E; Major—*Aylie Baker will study in Argentina spring 08, Leah Bevis will study in Uganda fall 07*). Their project, “Storytelling in Uganda,” will harness the power of modern technology by capturing and sharing radio narratives of children across Uganda.
Daphne Lasky ’07 (History of Art and Architecture—*studied in Italy*). Her project, “Building a Peaceful Future: A Workshop for the Old City of Jerusalem,” will address the city’s division and encourage workshop participants to test their idealism against political and physical realities.
Hamza Arshed Usmani and Shujaat Ali Khan (both ’10), (Economics; Undeclared) In collaboration with Seeds of Peace, Hamza and Shujaat will work on a project entitled “Enlightening Pakistan” with Pakistani youth, giving them tools to make a difference in their lives.

The President’s Office will fund two more proposals in the same vein:

Caitrin Abshere ’07 (Geography, English—*studied in Thailand*) will collect data and make recommendations benefiting micro-credit practitioners and researchers through her project titled “No-Collateral Damage: Micro-credit, Environmental Degradation, and the Threat to Peace,” focusing on northeast Thailand.

Jennifer Leigh Williams '08 (Philosophy), **Conetrise Holt**, and **Justin Spurley (both '10)** (both Undeclared) propose to help New Orleans youth develop and express visions of civic peace in their project, "Louisiana Art and Peace Project."

National Association of Student Anthropologists awarded the Carrie Hunter-Tate Award for 2007 to: **Carolyn Barnwell '07** (Human Ecology in Sociology/Anthropology and Environmental Studies—*studied in Thailand*) for her research on organic rice communities in Thailand.

The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center awarded the Frank and Sara McKnight Prize in Undergraduate Chemistry, instituted to promote undergraduate research in chemistry through recognition of outstanding accomplishment, to

Livia Vastag '07 (Chemistry) for her project titled "Mechanism and Kinetics of Oxidation of Guanosine Derivatives by Pt(IV) Complexes."

The Vermont Campus Compact awarded their TD BankNorth Commitment to Service and Engagement Award to:

Jessica Cox '07 (Religion) for organizing the MiddKid for a Day event, exposing community middle-school students to the college experience, as well as her work with Community Friends and the Addison County Parent Child Center.

The Vermont Genetics Network, a program at UVM funded by the National Institutes of Health Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network program, has awarded a research grant for summer, 2007, to:

Matt Griswold '07.5 (Chemistry) for research on Ruthenium-based organometallic compounds (Mentor: Jeff Byers, Chemistry)

Key to terminology of results:

Scholar/Fellow/Intern - one who is awarded a scholarship or fellowship.

Alternate - one who progressed to the final stage of a competition, but was just short of winning the award. In the event that an award winner is unable to accept the award, the named alternate may receive the scholarship or fellowship. Foundations that grant large numbers of awards often name several alternates; foundations granting only one or two awards annually typically name only one alternate.

Finalist - one who progressed to the final stages of a competition. Candidates who are successful finalists become a scholar or fellow (or alternate).

Nominee - one who must obtain College endorsement in order to participate in a particular competition.

Applicant - one who meets the established eligibility criteria and is free to apply for a scholarship or fellowship.