

ARCS Foundation Seattle Chapter

ARCS Foundation Seattle is part of a national, non-profit, volunteer, women's organization that supports the advancement of science and technology in the United States by providing financial awards to academically outstanding US citizens studying to complete degrees in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). ARCS Foundation Seattle Chapter was founded in 1978, and to date has supported over 1,600 fellows with awards totaling nearly \$24 million.

ARCS Mission Statement

ARCS Foundation advances science and technology in the United States by providing financial awards to academically outstanding U.S. citizens studying to complete degrees in science, engineering and medical research.

Chapter Vision Statement

The vision of ARCS Foundation Seattle Chapter is for Washington State to be a world leader in scientific excellence and innovation for the betterment of humanity. We are a thriving chapter of members who support research scholars at the University of Washington and Washington State University through well-funded fellowships.

Solidarity Statement

ARCS Foundation Seattle Chapter stands in solidarity with the BIPOC and LGBTQ communities. We are committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion. We commit to use our platform as a catalyst to create lasting change. You may read our full statement of support below.

Impact & History

Innovation drives the US economy and ARCS Foundation Seattle Chapter helps recruit the next generation of scientists, tech leaders and innovators by offering incentives to attend Washington's academic centers of excellence.

In helping recruit outstanding individuals whose creativity will cultivate a highly skilled workforce in our community, ARCS Seattle Chapter is helping boost our economic progress and prosperity. ARCS Alumni are the next generation of scientists, leaders and innovators in America.

ARCS Foundation's 15 chapters partner with 55 premier U.S. universities whose graduate science and technology programs are of the highest quality and are recognized as leaders in their fields. The financial support ARCS provides to students is a critical factor that enables these universities to attract the most outstanding, promising students. By providing our universities a competitive edge in recruiting top doctoral students, we establish a virtual cycle: the best and brightest students are attracted to the best professors and programs, who, in turn, want to work with highly accomplished students. They reinforce each other in creating dynamic and productive research teams. These students continue to build a vibrant student community as they teach, mentor and inspire undergraduates to pursue advanced degrees in STEM. We are pleased to have a small hand in contributing to the success of these truly amazing scientists.

ARCS Seattle Chapter was established in 1978 and over the past 45+ years it has become one of the most successful ARCS chapters in the nation. Currently, it provides approximately \$900,000 annually in scholar awards in support to our state's premier research institutions, the University of Washington and Washington State University to PhD candidates enrolled in STEM disciplines, including Engineering, Medical Research, Dentistry, Oral Biology, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health, Environmental and Forest Sciences, Crop and Soil Sciences, and Veterinary Medicine.

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

The foundation's scholar award model provides flexible and unrestricted funding, which is often the reason many graduate students choose our universities, allowing students to think less about finances and more about their education and research. Our donors fund scholars either by funding a scholar for a 3-year commitment or by establishing an endowment at one of the universities. The time is now to support outstanding scholars in advanced education programs. By supporting ARCS you make a difference for a student, for the research, for the university, for the nation. You can impact the scientific and technological future of our lives.

ARCS Foundation, Seattle Chapter Scholar Award:

Your cash donation in any amount goes towards ARCS mission. Each year the Seattle Chapter's collective funding supports over 10 individual Seattle Chapter Scholar Awards. Effective 2024 awards are \$22,500, award funds one student over a three-year period at either the UW or WSU. Payments are made to the student in the amount of \$7,500 per year.

ARCS Foundation, Seattle Named Scholar Award:

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ARCS Foundation, Seattle Endowment:

The minimum to establish an ARCS Endowment at WSU is \$200,000 and UW is \$250,000. The goal of an endowment is to fund scholar awards from its investment returns in perpetuity.

ARCS Foundation, Seattle Annual Fundraiser:

We host an annual fall fundraiser that is sponsored by local companies, allowing us to use the money raised to support our mission.

ARCS Foundation, Seattle Planned Giving:

Consider the opportunities to share a gift for generations to come. Please contact ARCS Seattle Chapter President for further information.