Paglia Post-Bac Research Fellowship

Communication Protocol

Interested applicants should consult first with an advisor/faculty member in the discipline in which they hope to pursue post-bac research (or a related discipline, in the case of interdisciplinary fields or those not represented at Carleton). Once a potential R1 professor/PI has been identified, the applicant is responsible for making contact with that person and securing an affiliation with a lab or research group.

During the early stages of the process, it is **strongly recommended** that any drafted email and other communications be shared with a Carleton advisor/faculty member for feedback before they are sent to the potential host.

**First communications should include:**

- an introduction of the program (a post-bac research fellowship of one or two years, dependent on eligibility)
- a brief description of research interests (one paragraph)
- an offer to provide additional/supplementary information upon request

**Additional/supplementary information may include:**

- A resume/CV (including information on previous research experiences)
- An official electronic transcript (available free-of-charge via the Hub)
- Names and contact information for verified references

**Expectations for host involvement in the application process:**

The student will consult with the host regarding the content of the research statement.

The required ‘proof of offer’ from the host will include the following information:

- Confirmation that the lab or research group is willing to take the student on as a research assistant for the period proposed
- Details of the expected appointment (duties; title; general benefits such as access to coursework at the institution, library privileges, and the like; any additional information that can be provided at that point)

The ‘proof of offer’ may take the form of a letter or email communication.

Details of the appointment for the selected fellow will be worked out between the appropriate offices and personnel at Carleton and the R1 institution in question.