Prizes & Grants

DUNN RESEARCH PRIZE (through the English department)
The department may award a Dunn Research Prize of around $1000 to a few students to support work on a major piece of research (such as preparation for the BA project). Funds must be used in the summer following the winner's third year in the College. Students applying for Dunn funds will be asked to submit a brief proposal describing a project in early spring as well as a confidential letter of support from a faculty member. Winners will submit a summary of their summer work for the donor in Autumn Quarter.

PRISM RESEARCH GRANT (through Career Advancement)
This grant provides funds for students who want to conduct research in their major field, either for a BA or for another significant project. Students must outline the project in a proposal and indicate a faculty sponsor (who will also submit a letter of support). Students must also propose a detailed budget for the research. Applications will likely be due in early April – visit https://uchicago.joinhandshake.com to learn more.

SEIDEL SCHOLARS PRISM GRANT (through Career Advancement)
Gives 3 students the opportunity to spend the summer connecting academic passions with a professional occupation. Project should put some aspect of your PRISM major (methodologies, research interests, etc.) into practice, but the grant does not fund internships or projects that are exclusively academic. Some previous examples of Seidel projects include writing novels, curating museum exhibits, and filming documentaries. Applications will likely be due in early April – visit https://uchicago.joinhandshake.com to learn more.

The PRISM Preceptor in English, Bill Hutchison, can help students prepare grant and prize applications. You can meet with Bill by appointment throughout the year: hutch@uchicago.edu.

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