

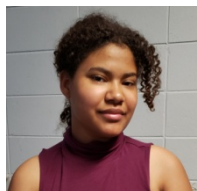
Scholarship Recipients for 2019



Ti'Ara Clark – Ti'Ara is a junior enrolled at Fisk University (Nashville, TN). She is from Dallas, TX and is majoring in Sociology and Political Science. Her career aspiration is to become a sociologist and conduct research on environmental injustices in this country. Ti'Ara is an honor student who wants to help people throughout the country impacted by natural disasters. She desires to provide resources needed to ensure that these families are emotionally and financially stable. She participates in numerous extracurricular activities including the UNCF Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program, the Fisk University Office of Global Initiatives, and Fisk Women's Basketball and Volleyball. She has also studied abroad in Cape Town, South Africa.



Artimus Cunningham– Artimus is a junior at Morehouse College (Atlanta, GA) majoring in English. His home is Naperville, Illinois. Artimus is an honor student who not only aspires to obtain a PhD degree and become a college professor, he also seeks to become a Knight-Hennessy Scholar and obtain a joint JD/PhD from Stanford University. His goal is to develop a credit repair agency to aid members of the black community. He also wants to teach financial literacy to students. Artimus is involved in numerous extracurricular activities. In addition to being awarded rugby player of the month, he has served as a mentor at the Latin American Youth Association, English tutor, and the Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program. He has used a negative early learning experience as motivation to excel.



Anastasia Taylor – Anastasia is a junior at Tougaloo College (Tougaloo, MS). She is from Jackson, MS and is currently majoring in English and Art. Her career aspiration is to obtain a PhD degree in the field of museum education. Anastasia is an honor student who has received honors as the Best Literary Magazine Editor of the Year (2017) and received a Presidential Scholarship to attend Tougaloo College. She currently serves as President of the Pens Literary Club. She is also a member of the Art Club and the Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program. She has worked at the Mississippi Museum of Art as a Teaching Fellow for the past year and continues to pursue her goals.



Raquel Thomas – Raquel is a junior at Spelman College (Atlanta, GA) where she is majoring in Sociology, with a minor in Spanish. She is an honor student who received the Outstanding First Year Student Award. As a UNCF Mellon Mays Fellow, she aspires to obtain a PhD degree and become a college professor. She has a special interest in researching the impact of parental incarceration on black girls. She also aspires to become the CEO of her program, *Liberating Legacies*, which exposes youth with incarcerated parents to a variety of social, emotional and learning experiences. Raquel has studied abroad in the Dominican Republic and Florence, Italy and is actively engaged in several community service organizations. She is committed to having a positive impact upon students in need.



Bellrica Williams – Bellrica is a sophomore enrolled at Claflin University (Orangeburg, SC) who is majoring in English. She is from Denmark, SC. Bellrica is an honor student. She is a member of the National Society of Leadership (2019), the Dean's List (Fall 2019), the BETA Club (2018), the National Honor Society (2018), and the President's List (Spring 2019). She is also actively engaged in community service. Bellrica aspires to become a high school English teacher after obtaining her bachelor's degree in English Education. One of her professors has described her as a natural leader who as freshman was very advanced with respect to her research and writing skills. She is an excellent communicator in both writing and speech and has been praised for her problem-solving skills as well. We know that she has a bright future ahead.