



WILLIAMS-FRANKLIN FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER



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2021 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION IS LIVE



The Williams-Franklin Foundation (WFF) is offering ten (10) \$2,000-\$5,000 scholarships.

On April 1st we launched our **2021 Scholarship Application**. This year, we hope to award ten \$2,000-\$5,000 scholarships to eligible HBCU students. The deadline for the application is April 30th. Please feel free to share the link below with any HBCU students you may know! [Apply Today!](#)

NEW PARTNERSHIP



On March 4, WFF participated in a networking event for students and natural products brands. This was a part of our new collaboration

with the **Organic & Natural Health Association**. The goal of this partnership is to fund additional WFF scholarships and to offer HBCU students an opportunity to network in this fast-growing industry so that they can explore job opportunities of socially conscious companies. "We are honored to support WFF in its mission. O&N can never achieve our vision without opening our doors wider. That is why, as an association committed to creating a healthy planet for healthy people in an industry that believes doing good work is good business, diversity and inclusion is an important issue to us. There are too many Americans who are not availing themselves of our nutritional offerings ... Therefore, as an industry we limit our reach and success by not availing ourselves of diversity in color and talent. What better way to do good work than to support students attending HBCUs". (Karen Howard, O&N Executive Director)

On April 29, O&N will host a virtual event in which some of our highly talented and inspired WFF scholarship recipients and WFF founders will be featured to speak about the foundation and ideas for the health and nutrition industry.

DANA-FABER/ HARVARD CANCER CENTER INTERNSHIP

We are proud to announce the Williams-Franklin Foundation and the CURE Program at Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center (DF/HCC) in Boston, Massachusetts have partnered to provide undergraduate students interested in a career in science with a full-time summer research internship. Selected students will participate in scientific research while being mentored by basic, clinical, population science, or nursing faculty. Through their

involvement in a research project, students will acquire knowledge and technical skills and increase their understanding of how to conduct biomedical cancer research. This immersive opportunity in the Boston area also provides programming to support professional development and expand scientific and peer networks.

Our very own WFF Scholars **Gabriella Forchion** (Howard University, biology major) and **Janiya Brooks** (Howard University, biology major) have been accepted to the program!



Gabriella Forchion



Janiya Brooks

WFF SCHOLAR SPOTLIGHT



Zhane Austin, expected class of 2021, is from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She is currently studying political science at Hampton University. **Zhane's** aspirations are to graduate from Hampton University and to attend law school. After law school, she wants to become a public defender and use her platform to advocate for neglected and abused children.

We are excited to announce that **Zhane** has been accepted to the following law schools: Harvard University, University of Chicago, University of Pennsylvania, University of Michigan, Georgetown University, Arizona State University, Emory University, Howard University, Drexel University, Villanova University, Temple University, Rutgers University, and Chicago-Kent. She also received full tuition scholarships at 4 schools and was offered merit aid scholarships that total \$985,901 (including the full rides). She will be attending Harvard Law School in the fall. **Congratulations Zhane!**



Laten Jordan, expected class of 2023, is studying political science at Howard University. Laten is originally from Columbus, Ohio. Laten has recently been selected as the Chief of Staff for the Howard University Student Association for the 2021-2022 academic school year. Additionally, he will be interning at the American Civil Liberties Union this summer! **Congratulations, Laten!**



Jemiah Williams, originally from Arlington, Texas is a December 2021 graduate of Howard University. While at Howard, she studied strategic management and legal communications. Jemiah has recently accepted a position as a Staff Assistant with United States Representative Madeleine Dean. **Congratulations, Jemiah!**