A $600,000 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF)’s Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (S-STEM) program will allow Randolph College to make college more accessible for physical science and math majors.

The scholarship program, “Step-Up to Physical Science and Engineering at Randolph College (SUPER),” will build on Randolph’s SUPER College Transition Program, an intensive, three-credit course for which new students arrive on campus two weeks early in the fall. The participants in the SUPER program will receive four-year scholarships to Randolph. In addition, SUPER scholars will participate in specially tailored mentoring, academic support services, and career guidance activities. The scholarship recipients must participate in SUPER and major in science or mathematics. The NSF-funded scholarships will be in addition to the students’ other financial aid awards.

Twenty-four students will be chosen to participate in the SUPER program. Students will be chosen based on merit, eligibility, and an application process.

To be eligible for the scholarship, a high school senior or transfer student with first year standing must plan to major in science or mathematics, must have a minimum of a 3.0 GPA, a minimum of a 500 math SAT, and successful completion of a mathematics course beyond Algebra II. In order to be eligible to receive an offer of the scholarship, the student must complete the Randolph College or Common Application, must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and must also complete a short supplemental application. Eligibility requirements will continue throughout the four years of College including participation in beneficial program activities, GPA minimum, and choice of major.

There is a shortage of qualified scientists and engineers in the US, and this federally funded program is meant to recruit and retain the best prospects who will become the nation’s future scientists and engineers. As a SUPER Scholar, you are the future of your field, and we intend to do everything we can to make a high quality education possible for you.

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HOW TO APPLY:
Go to www.randolphcollege.edu/nsf for program details and application process.

To complete the application process, you are asked to:

- Complete the online interest form (as soon as possible)
- Complete the Randolph College or Common Application (by March 1, 2015)
- Complete the Supplemental Application (by March 1, 2015)
- Complete the FAFSA (starting January 12, 2015)

Review of applications will be done on a rolling basis. For early action and regular decision applicants, notification will begin as early as a few weeks after your application is completed. In certain cases, awards may be made before the FAFSA is completed.

GET COLLEGE CREDIT BY RIDING A ROLLER COASTER!

Come to campus two weeks early—get a college class for FREE!

SUPER (Step Up to Physical Science and Engineering at Randolph) includes a two-week program designed to give first-year students new insights into math and science while earning college credit in an intensive, fun-filled environment.

During the program, students will live together in the residence halls and attend three classes a day, learning by experience in a unique classroom atmosphere. The program will include a visit to an amusement park to study roller coaster motion and a visit to one of the most innovative car design and build shops in the world. Classes run for two weeks before first-year Orientation. The SUPER scholarship covers tuition, room and board, field trips, e-books, and equipment.

The program is a great way for first-years to jump start their education, get to know classmates, make a smooth transition into college life, and become familiar with three of Randolph’s professors.

Requirements for Participants:
- Participation in entire program is required.
- Be ready to work hard and have fun.

What You Will Get From the Program:
- Three college credits and a leg up in the study of physical sciences and mathematics.
- The chance to come to campus early and to better transition into college life.
- Participation in fun co-curricular experiential learning activities.