



Pioneer Scholars Grant Program Application

Student Name

Mentor Name

Student ID

Mentor Email

Student Email

Dept/Discipline

Major/Minor

Today's Date

Anticipated

Graduation Date

Nature of the project (Domestic, International, OR with an International Component*)

*If you describe your project as "with an International Component," this indicates that the international component of the project is optional. If the international component is not accepted, your application may still be considered for a domestic grant.

1. Project title and description of the project

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2. What is the scholarly and/or practical significance of the proposed research? What gap in academic literature or practice will the proposed research aim to fill? (More space on page 2)

3. List the specific goals for the scholar and for the mentor for the summer project.

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4. Indicate how this project will contribute to the student's educational experience.

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5. Indicate how this project is related to the mentor's scholarly work.

6. If this project is related to a specific course and/or major, please indicate that connection.

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7. How will the student be mentored and monitored? Please specify how the faculty mentor plans to supervise the student, including the frequency of meetings and other mentoring activities.

8. If this project involves two students, explain the need for two students and how each student's work will be distinct.

9. If the project is international or has an international component, demonstrate the direct connection between the proposed travel and the project's goals.

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10. Provide a detailed timeline for the project.

Task	Description	Start Date	End Date

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11. The majority of the project should be completed during the summer. Explain any elements of the project that will not be completed by the end of August.

Budget Information: The grant provides up to \$500 for equipment and domestic travel (to archives, labs, etc.). Additional money might be available based on demonstrated need. Please provide a budget for any necessary expenses and a brief explanation for any request over \$500.

Item	Description	Cost
	TOTAL:	

If the project is international or has an international component, provide a budget that covers the international expenses for both the student and mentor. The limit for international expenses is \$5,000.

	Description	Cost
Airfare		
In-country transportation		
Lodging		
Meals		
In-country research		
Visa(s)/Entry-Exit fees		
Other (specify)		
	TOTAL:	

*Please send this form to cuhonorscenter@carrollu.edu.

Just a Drink
by [REDACTED]

When Kate broke the news, she cracked open a can of Miller. *Piper? Lily? Christian?* Not yet. Maybe it won't happen. Dear God, don't let it happen. Tim pried it from her hand and gave her a plastic cup filled halfway with apple juice. She watched him drink the rest of the beer.

The next day, Tim bought kale. It had folic acid or some shit — the doctor on tv said so. He told her to blend it with apple juice, make smoothies. She never liked kale.

Tim was gone a lot - he worked late, he worked weekends. He worked so she didn't have to. He was never home to see the bottles Kate brought home. Just a few to keep her hands from shaking. Wake up, shop, drink, bury the bottles in the recycling bin, make a smoothie and pour it down the drain, leave the dirty blender for Tim.

Do you feel anything yet? The sickness like a kick in the gut? Yeah, she felt it.

The doctor — her doctor — said everything looked good. She was doing everything right. All Kate saw was static. She nodded. She held her breath when the doctor came near.

Tim kept buying kale.

One day Tim came home early — caught her with two-thirds of a six-pack sitting empty on the counter. *Do you do this every day? Every day for seven months?* He threw the last two cans across the kitchen. *It's time to cut the crap.*

Kate didn't go to her doctor appointments. She told the doctor's office that she found somewhere better. She told Tim that everything looked good and the static was starting to really look like something. She told herself if she kept pretending maybe it would never happen. After a while, Tim stopped asking if she was staying sober.

Tim was walking through the front door with cans of blue paint when his cell phone rang. Kate was in the hospital. Four hours later a faint heartbeat lit up the screen for precisely two minutes and thirty five seconds before it folded back into static. Enough time for two people to hold their breaths twice, but not enough to hold anything else before it turned cold.

When Kate was sent home, Tim dropped her off at the house and left for a hotel. He needed time to think, to make arrangements. To get away from her. Kate walked to the kitchen with shaking hands, found the blender and the kale and the apple juice. She sat on the floor next to the cans of blue paint and drank her smoothie. They should have been pink.

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