The Doris Duke Conservation Scholars Program at Northern Arizona University works to create a more holistic, relevant, and just conservation field by providing a transformative educational and research experience for undergraduate students. We aim to broaden the conservation field’s culture and to expand how conservation is practiced.

1st Summer Immersion Program
You will spend your summer with 19 other scholars learning about conservation science, management, policy, and advocacy in the awe-inspiring landscapes of the Grand Canyon Region. The 8-week Summer Immersion Program features community-building activities, backcountry excursions, and workshops. The summer immersion program builds skills in conservation science, leadership, communication, outdoor ethics, and cultural competency. Scholars form lasting friendships and professional relationships that provide a foundation of support for future success.

Winter Retreats
Each January you will reconnect with other scholars, your mentors, and DDCSP staff for a weeklong workshop to help prepare you for a career in conservation. The retreat features workshops led by conservation professionals on personal growth, career development, solution-oriented approaches to conservation, and communication and networking.

2nd Summer Research Internship
You will work in pairs on an 8-week research internship designed around individual interests such as ecology, biodiversity conservation, climate change, resource use, restoration, ecosystem services, sustainable livelihoods, collaborative planning, and community engagement. These nationwide internships immerse students in authentic conservation work with professionals at our partnering non-profit, academic, and government entities.

Academic Year Support
Students will engage in online, monthly meetings during the academic year built around a learning topic and associated assignment. Scholars will also engage in one-on-one phone calls with DDCSP NAU staff.

Compensation and Perks
During the 2-year program the program will pay for your travel, meals, and lodging. Scholars will receive a stipend and NAU credits each summer.

Apply Now!
Applications for the 2018-2020 cohort are open now until February 9, 2018.

Program Info
Find out more about the program and apply online at: lci.nau.edu/ddcs
To find out more about the program or request a paper application, call 928-523-0643.

Learn More
Find out about the four other Doris Duke Conservation Scholars Programs at: dorisdukeconservationscholars.org