2019-2020 marks the tenth year of the University of South Carolina’s award winning Presidential Fellows Program. To date, 192 students from 38 academic programs in nine Colleges have participated. This year we welcome 10 new fellows to the program.

Olajide Bamidele  
PhD Student  
Chemical Engineering

Alexander Barth  
PhD Student  
Biological Sciences

Elizabeth Bodalski  
PhD Student  
Clinical-Community Psychology

Ian Campbell  
PhD Student  
English

Rajat Das Gupta  
PhD Student  
Epidemiology

Brandon Farris  
PhD Student  
Mathematics

Christopher Howell  
PhD Student  
Political Science

Jody Lanza-Gregory  
PhD Student  
School Psychology

Alexandra Mayer  
MFA Student  
Creative Writing

Nina Schriener  
PhD Student  
Anthropology
The Presidential Fellows program is the University of South Carolina’s most prestigious university-wide award for promise of excellence at the graduate level. Unique among peer institutions for its reach across disciplines and focus on professional development, the merit-based program awards Fellows supplemental funding for their duration in the program (four years for doctoral students; five semesters for MFA students). This award is in addition to fellowships and assistantships students receive from their academic programs.

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