Boren Scholarship
For study abroad between summer 2018 & spring 2019

CAMPUS DEADLINE: 15 JANUARY 2018

For the purposes of the campus application, you do not need to submit the entire, official, on-line application. Instead we ask for the following (see below). We will work with you on revising your application essays. For this reason, we need to have those essays submitted as WORD documents.

Since the essays are a critical component of your application, you might want to read over sample essays available only in Dean Goldberg’s office (105 Scott Hall). To do so, either stop by OR make an appointment with Dean Goldberg by sending her your days/times of availability with your email request.

Campus Application Instructions:

⇒Submit the following documents using the “Submit Materials” tab of our website: http://externalscholarships.lafayette.edu/submit-materials/ OR you may submit directly to externalscholarships@lafayette.edu

(1) The Boren Scholarship Application Essays (there are 2). Both essays MUST be submitted as WORD documents.

- Boren Scholarship Essay 1 (not to exceed 800 words):

  Discuss the following points in one integrated essay, giving equal attention to each point.

  - Explain the significance of your proposed country, region, and language to US national security. Although the Boren recognizes a broad definition of national security, you should make a specific, detailed and focused argument.
  - Describe how the country, language, and overseas program you selected will help you achieve your career goals, including your plans to fulfill the Scholarship’s federal service requirement. If appropriate, you may also include relevant past academic, extracurricular, volunteer, internship, and professional experiences in support of your proposed plans. Be specific.
• **Boren Scholarship Essay 2 (not to exceed 800 words):**

  Study Abroad Program Description (both the preferred program, and alternate, if applicable).

  o Describe the study abroad program’s course of study and related cultural activities, as well as the administrative and support services provided (i.e., facilities, housing, resident director, etc.).

  o Describe the language component in as much detail as possible, including the number of classroom contact hours and informal language study opportunities outside of the classroom.

  o Describe your past experience in studying or speaking the language (or another language, if relevant), as well as your plans for continuing to study and/or speak the language following your Boren Scholarship.

(2) **A detailed resume or CV (no page limit)**

(3) **The names of, and email contact information for, your 2-3 your Boren Scholarship recommenders.** On our website, we provide information regarding what makes for a strong letter of recommendation. Read over this information before asking for your letters and share the information with your recommenders.

⇒Additionally you must submit the following:

(1) A signed and dated **Nomination Permission & Waiver Form** found on the “Submit Materials” tab of our website. The form may be submitted as a hard copy or as a scanned attachment. **We will need this form by the beginning of the Spring semester.**

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Your official application, including your individual letters of recommendation, and transcripts, must be submitted directly to the Boren Awards program no later than **4.59pm Eastern Standard Time on 8 February 2018.** Prior to your official submission of said application, you should go over the entire application with Dean Goldberg.

Details regarding the official application components and submission instructions are available on the Boren Awards website at: https://www.borenawards.org/scholarships/how-apply/boren-scholarship-how-apply

**Submitting the application is YOUR responsibility.** You must also ensure that your recommenders submit their letters in a timely manner.

**The Scholarships Office is responsible for submitting an official evaluation** of your application. A sample of that evaluation form can be found at: https://www.borenawards.org/system/files/resource-attachments/On-Campus%20Evaluation_Scholarship.pdf