Goldwater Campus Application Instructions

STUDENT Campus Application Deadline: 30 November 2017

RECOMMENDER Campus Submission Deadline: 4 December 2017

Before submitting your application, carefully read the Important Application Notes from National Selection Committee Readers

Submit the following materials electronically using our External Scholarships “Submit Materials” tab

1. A completed “in house” Application Form found on our website

2. A 3-page research essay. Font size may not be smaller than 12 point font in Arial or Times New Roman and must have 1” margins on all sides.

   Your essay should discuss a significant issue or problem in your field of study that is of particular interest to you.

   It must (a) include a description of the issue or problem, (b) discuss an idea for research that could have significant impact on the issue or problem, (c) describe an aspect of the research in which you would be involved, and (d) explain the relevance of the issue or problem to you as a mathematician, scientist, or engineer.

   The content and style of your essay will be important to the success of your scholarship application.

   Assume that your reader is knowledgeable about the topic/field of study and will have the expertise to read, review and understand the complexities of your field and the topic at hand.

   If your essay involves research in which you are/were involved, you must indicate if you are/were the sole researcher or if you collaborated with another individual or individuals.

   Your essay should include a bibliography/references and, where appropriate, illustrations.

3. A detailed CV/résumé that may be more than a page in length.

   This document should include academic and non-academic interests and activities, research, internships, relevant work experience, publications/presentations (given, in progress, to be submitted/presented), etc..

3. The names of 3 individuals who have agreed to write you strong letters of recommendation.
At least two (2) of these individuals should be STEM academics and/or professionals who are able to comment in detail about your academic abilities and research potential.

Provide your recommenders with the “Information for Goldwater Recommenders” provided by the national selection committee. This information is available on our website and is also provided with our “in-house” application form.

4. Have your Recommenders submit their LORs to Dean Goldberg as email attachments to goldbeja@lafayette.edu or externalscholarships@lafayette.edu.

Their LORs must be WORD documents signed and on letterhead. Please let your recommenders know that only Dean Goldberg may upload their letters to your official Goldwater application form. That is why their LORs must be sent electronically and as WORD documents.