Marshall Scholarship Campus Application Instructions

APPLICANT CAMPUS DEADLINE: 7 September 2016
RECOMMENDER CAMPUS DEADLINE: 14 September 2016

Campus Application Instructions

Step 1: Register for and begin application (DO NOT SUBMIT until told to do so; simply SAVE it. DO submit materials as described below):

a) Read the advice, etc. on the Marshall Scholarship website
b) In addition, before applying for a “2016 Marshall Scholarship”, candidates should review the information on the Marshall Partnership Scholarships.
c) Create an account/application at http://www.marshallscholarship.org/applications/apply
d) Complete and return the campus “Nomination Permission and Waiver Form” (available at http://externalscholarships.lafayette.edu/scholarships/apply-through-lafayette/) to Dean Goldberg, 105 Scott Hall.

Step 2: Ask for STRONG Letters of Recommendation. Recommendations are extremely important for the success of your Marshall application!

You will need 4 letters of recommendation. Two of the 4 must be from faculty who are familiar with your academic/intellectual potential and research abilities; 1 letter may primarily address your leadership and ambassadorial potential; 3 recommenders must come from individuals in the US

See the Letter of Recommendation advice on our website: http://externalscholarships.lafayette.edu/letters-of-recommendation-lors/

Information for Recommenders (Share this with your recommenders): http://www.marshallscholarship.org/applications/recommendersinfo

Recommenders must submit their draft/preliminary LORs as WORD documents directly to Dean Goldberg (goldbeja@lafayette.edu; externalscholarships@lafayette.edu) by 14 September 2016.

Step 3: Submit the following materials to Dean Goldberg by 7 September 2016:

- Submit as hard copies to 105 Scott Hall:
  - Official transcripts from all institutions attended
  - Signed copy of the Lafayette “Nomination Permission and Waiver Form” (http://externalscholarships.lafayette.edu/scholarships/apply-through-lafayette/)

- Submit electronically to externalscholarships@lafayette.edu:
  - Names of your 4 recommenders
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- Detailed resume/CV
- Name/s and duration of your 1st and 2nd choice program/s of study in the UK: keep in mind that you may choose to study a combination of 2 one-year master's programs or select to engage in a 2-year research master's program/3-year doctoral program
- Essays: These 5 essays are a mix of short and long interrelated questions designed to get a better sense of who you are, your dreams and aspirations, and how spending 2-3 years in the UK will enhance those aspirations. You will find that there is some overlap in these questions. [N.B. The questions asked are essentially getting at the same information desired by the Fulbright, Mitchell, Rhodes and most other applications as well as your applications for graduate/professional schools themselves.]
  - Personal Statement (1000 words):
    Describe your intellectual development and other interests and pursuits. This is essentially a statement of your intellectual and career development that illustrates how your various interest come together to form a picture of who you are and how they have shaped your vision of your future. It is not a narrative rendition of your resume but more a story of your journey.
  - Proposed Academic Program/s of Study (500 words):
    Describe your proposed academic program of study in the UK, giving reasons for your program selection/s. If you plan to complete a research degree (research master's or PhD) include a description of your proposed research (outline) as well as with whom you would like to work. You should also include a brief outline of why you have chosen your second choice institution/s and course/s of study.
  - Post Scholarship Plan (300 words):
    Describe your plans (immediate and future career aims/aspirations) upon completion of your Marshall Scholarship and why the 2 years spent in the UK will enhance those plans. As well as describing your post-scholarship plans for employment or further study, you should indicate how you would develop ongoing connections with the UK through your UK institution and program of study as well as through other contacts you propose to make while in the UK.
  - Leadership Example (500 words):
    Describe a situation in which you responded to a need for leadership and were recognized for your leadership, even if the leadership you undertook was not as successful as you may have wished. When answering this question, please consider the Marshall Commission's criteria on leadership potential found at www.marshallscholarship.org/applications/leadershippotential
  - Ambassadorial Potential (500 words):
    Describe what the “US-UK special relationship” means to you and how you might strengthen ties between the US and UK in your field of study and through extra-curricular activities while in the UK as well as upon your return to the US.
Questions

If you or your recommenders have any questions about the Marshall Scholarship or campus application process, please do not hesitate to contact Dean Goldberg at goldbeja@lafayette.edu, externalscholarships@lafayette.edu, or 610.330.5521.