## Udall Scholarship Campus Application Instructions

Before submitting your campus application, please be sure to read over the application <u>advice</u> available on the Udall website. That advice will go a long way to creating a competitive and compelling application.

Submit the following electronically using our External Scholarships "Submit Materials" tab:

- 1. <u>Nomination & Permission Waiver</u> form (signed and dated)
- 2. A completed Udall Scholarship Application
  - To access the OFFICIAL application form, email our office
     (externalscholarships@lafayette.edu) with your desire to apply for the Udall.
     Dean Goldberg will REGISTER you with the Udall Foundation, who will email you with the link to the application
  - Alternatively, complete and submit the <u>SAMPLE</u> application form available on the Udall website
- 3. An 800-word essay, as described in Section E of the Udall Application. The essay asks you to discuss one or more significant public speeches, legislative acts, books/articles, or public policy statements by either Morris K. or Stewart L. Udall. The discussion should include the work's impact upon your field of study, interests, and/or career goals.
  - The essay is perhaps the hardest part of the application. The quality of the
    essay is critical for the success of your application. It is crucial, therefore, that
    you follow the advice provided on the Udall website for writing a strong essay.
  - Check out the <u>Udall Papers at the University of Arizona</u> for a bibliography of Morris K. and Stewart L. Udall's speeches, works, etc. However, DO NOT limit yourself to these resources alone in your search for a significant and meaningful work by either Udall.
  - Selection committees appreciate and reward some freshness of perspective and originality of works selected. Avoid such overused speeches as "The Economy at Valley Forge."
- 4. A detailed CV/resume (no page limit); and
- 5. The names and email addresses of at least 3 individuals who have agreed to write you strong letters of recommendation attesting to your **leadership**, **public service**, **and academic achievements and potential to be a change agent** vis-à-vis the environment or tribal policy or healthcare.
  - o IMPT: Your recommenders must submit their letters of recommendation electronically as email attachments (WORD documents) directly to Dean Goldberg. Recommenders are not able to upload their letters to your application. Only Dean Goldberg may do so. Please be sure to direct your recommenders to the Information for References section of the website.
  - Advice for securing strong, supportive letters of recommendation:

Keep in mind that the Udall Scholarship is seeking to fund students who have a passion for environmental/conservation issues or Native American tribal policy or healthcare (if eligible). As such, secure letters of recommendation from those who will emphasize and expand upon your commitment and preparation to pursue a successful and potentially transformative career.

Strong letters back up the claims made by you in your application as well as those made by the recommender with examples attesting to your motivation, potential, commitment, public/community service and leadership.