McCall-McBain Scholars Program Campus Application Instructions

APPLICANT CAMPUS DEADLINE: Last Friday of August RECOMMNEDER CAMPUS DEADLINE: 1st Friday of SEPTEMBER

CAMPUS APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: After reading over the <u>scholarship description</u>, register for and complete the on-line application questions. (**DO NOT SUBMIT** anything through the on-line application until told to do so by Dean Goldberg; simply SAVE it for yourself.)

Step 2: Ask for 2 STRONG Letters of Recommendation. One LOR must be an academic letter; the other LOR must come from someone who knows your community involvement well.

DO NOT REGISTER YOUR RECOMMENDERS WITHIN THE ON-LINE APPLICATION <u>UNTIL</u> WE TELL YOU TO DO SO. ONCE YOU HAVE REGISTERED YOUR RECOMMENDERS, THEY WILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL FROM THE SCHOLARSHIP ASKING THEM TO UPLOAD THEIR LOR TO YOUR OFFICIAL APPLICATION.

A good reference provides concrete examples to help the McCall-MacBain scholarship selection committee better understand you, how you meet the selection criteria, current areas of improvement, and how your proposed studies might benefit your continued growth.

Recommenders must submit their draft/preliminary LORs as WORD documents for our campus application review to Dean Goldberg (goldbeja@lafayette.edu or externalscholarships@lafayette.edu) by **1st Friday of September**.

Step 3: Submit the following materials using the <u>Submit Materials</u> tab to Dean Goldberg by Last Friday of August:

- Copy of your transcript(s) from all institutions attended; if you studied abroad, you will need to obtain a copy of your study abroad transcript. If you do not already have one, please be sure to order one from your study abroad provider as you will need it for your official application to the Scholarship. Order electronic copies sent to yourself; do NOT have them sent to Dean Goldberg.
- Signed copy of the Lafayette Nomination Permission and Waiver Form found on our <u>Submit Materials</u> tab.
- Detailed resume/CV (ideally more than 1 page).
- The names, email addresses of your recommenders and a brief rationale for why you asked them to write on your behalf.
- The 5 short essays requested in the application. Submit these essays as WORD documents (DO NOT use Google Docs!).

- 1a: Tell us how your community or communities have influenced you, and, if relevant, how they have shaped the choices you have made so far in your postsecondary path (225 words).
- 1b: Describe why you've chosen the specific McGill program(s) listed in the "Academic Interests" section of the application and how you hope the program(s) will lay the foundation for your long-term goals and aspirations (225 words).
- 2: Leadership question: Tell us about one of your leadership experiences. Briefly describe your role and that of your team members. What was the goal or objectives and how did you attempt to meet them? What were your lessons learned in terms of your management of the team? (300 words)
- 3: Regarding a significant volunteer activity involving service to others: Briefly describe the purpose of the activity/organization and your contribution. Who or what prompted you to get involved? Why was it important to you and to others? How has your involvement impacted you and others? (300 words)
- 4: Tell us about a significant "course correction" you have made in your life. For example, this could be a change in your academic path, in how you approach challenging situations, or in how you work with or motivate others. (300 words)

Questions

If you or your recommenders have any questions about the McCall-MacBain Scholarship or campus application process, please do not hesitate to contact Dean Goldberg at goldbeja@lafayette.edu, externalscholarships@lafayette.edu; or 610.330.5067.