

Regional College/Returning Student Scholarship Application Form *(for 2-year degree/certification programs only)*

Introduction

The LANL Foundation, through the Los Alamos Employees Scholarship Fund (LAESF) seeks applicants for the new Regional College/Returning Student Scholarship fund. This fund awards scholarships to motivated students returning to a formal education after a hiatus for other pursuits. These scholarship candidates may have left formal education for business, the military, or other reasons, possibly for an extended period, and are now seeking to expand their opportunities with a certificate or a two-year degree through a program in the regional area.

Eligibility Requirements Checklist

- This scholarship is ONLY for students currently enrolled in or planning to enroll in a two-year degree program or certificate program** — NOT for students already working on a 4-year degree. If you're pursuing a two-year degree or certificate with the intent of someday completing a 4-year degree, this is fine, so long as you're still in your 2-year degree program.
- Must be a resident of the **seven-county area of Northern New Mexico** (Los Alamos, Mora, Rio Arriba, San Miguel, Sandoval, Santa Fe, and Taos).
- Must have received a **high school diploma or GED**.
- Eligibility is dependent upon **one year or more away from formal education** before returning to pursue new career opportunities. Preference will be shown toward applicants who are out of formal education more than two years.
- Preference may also be given to students pursuing programs related to science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and related vocations, although strong applications in any program area will be considered.

Selection Process

Selection will be based primarily on merit, similar to the other LAESF Scholarships. But because the focus is on returning students, some of whom may have been out of formal education for several years, there will be special emphasis on initiative, motivation, and accomplishments and less on grade point average or tests.

Scholarships are one-year grants of \$1,000. Applicants can re-apply yearly while they complete the two-year degree or certification program if they remain in good academic standing making progress toward completion.

Application Process

Applicants are strongly encouraged to complete and submit the online application form at www.lanlfoundation.org/scholarships.

RCRS scholarships are offered twice yearly. Completed application must be submitted electronically or postmarked by the **May 31, 2018 deadline** for fall 2018 awards or the **November 29, 2018 deadline** for spring 2019 awards. Visit our website for more information.

For more information, please contact John McDermon at (505) 753-8890 ext. 115 or scholarships@lanlfoundation.org.

Apply online:
www.lanlfoundation.org/scholarships

or
Mail application to:
LANL Foundation
RCRS Scholarship Coordinator
1112 Plaza del Norte
Española, NM 87532

* = required field

Contact Information

* First Name:

Middle Initial:

* Last Name:

Permanent Home Address

* Street:

* City:

* State:

* ZIP:

* NM County of residence:

Los Alamos

Mora

Rio Arriba

Sandoval

San Miquel

Santa Fe

Taos

* How long have you been a New Mexico resident?

Mailing Address

* My Mailing Address is the same as my Permanent Home Address above: Yes No

Street:

City:

State:

Zip:

Contact Information

* E-mail:

* Phone:

Alternate Phone:

Relatives

* Are you related to any LANL Foundation employee or board member, or, to any member of the Los Alamos Employees' Scholarship Fund advisory committee? Yes No

* Please list the name(s) of any family member(s):

* Please describe the relationship (aunt, brother, niece, etc.):

Abiquiú Land Grant - Georgia O'Keeffe Museum Scholarship Eligibility

* Are you a direct descendant of the Merced del Pueblo Abiquiu (Abiquiu Land Grant)? Yes No

If yes, please explain and enter the name of the original land grant family member you are descended from. This information will be verified by the Merced del Pueblo Abiquiu Board of Trustees.

Demographic Information (OPTIONAL)

Demographic data are important in assessing the effectiveness of our efforts to solicit applications from a diverse population. Please provide the following information to help us in this regard.

Date of Birth:

Please enter your date in (MM/dd/yyyy i.e. 09/19/2017 format).

Gender:

- Race or Ethnicity: American Indian / Alaskan Native
 Asian American
 African American
 Hawaiian Native / Pacific Islander
 Hispanic or Latino or Spanish Origin
 White / Caucasian
 Other

If you are an American Indian (please indicate tribal affiliation):

How do you personally identify your race or ethnicity?

If Other (please specify):

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____
(PLEASE PRINT)

Current Education Information

Details of the 2-year degree or certificate program to which this scholarship will be applied. Degree or certificate information should match the description in your college’s catalog. If you have aspirations to pursue a higher degree after your 2-year program is complete, please use the Career Goals section to describe these long-term plans.

*** Degree Clarification:**

I am pursuing a 2-year degree or certificate program. -or-
I will be awarded a 2-year degree during the pursuit of my 4-year degree. Yes No

* Name of current college:

* City:

* State:

* Program or field of study:

* Planned degree/certificate: AA AS Certificate Other

* If Other (describe):

* Start date:

Please enter your date in (MM/dd/yyyy i.e. 09/19/2017 format).

* Student status: Applying Accepted Enrolled
 Full time Part time

Planned completion date:

Please enter your date in (MM/dd/yyyy i.e. 09/19/2017 format).

Planned courses:

APPLICANT’S NAME: _____
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If you are already enrolled and have completed one or more terms in this current program, please enter your GPA to date:

* How did you hear about this scholarship opportunity?

* Have you been awarded a LANL Foundation Regional College/Returning Student (RCRS) scholarship in the past? Yes No

* If so, please list the month and year of each award.

Please attach the most recent unofficial transcript for your current course of study. Be sure both your name and the grades are visible.

List other scholarships awarded: (Scholarship name and date awarded)

Past Education Information

* A high school diploma or GED credential is required for eligibility. Please indicate which you received and complete the appropriate section below.

High School Graduate GED Credential

High School Diploma Information

* Name of High School:

* City:

* State:

* Year of graduation:

Grade Point Average, if known (4.0 scale):

GED Credential Information

* Year of credential:

* State/jurisdiction issuing:

* What year did your high school class graduate?

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____
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Prior College/Trade School Information (if applicable)

Please tell us the name of any college(s) or trade school(s) you have attended to date, when and in what program or field (if any), and whether or not you obtained a degree or certificate. We are primarily interested in study you may have done that culminated in or is potentially related to a degree or certificate, whether or not it is in the same field as your current college application or enrollment. General continuing-education courses related to hobbies or home life do not need to be listed.

Name of school:

City:

State:

Start date:

Please enter your date in (MM/dd/yyyy i.e. 09/19/2017 format).

End date:

Program or field of study:

Degree or certifications earned or approximate number of credits completed:

Cumulative GPA:

Do you want to add another additional school? Yes No

Name of school:

City:

State:

Start date:

Please enter your date in (MM/dd/yyyy i.e. 09/19/2017 format).

End date:

Program or field of study:

Degree or certifications earned or approximate number of credits completed:

Cumulative GPA:

Using the same format, attach other college/trade school information.

* Highest level of education completed to date: High School or GED Some college
 Certificate or 2-year degree 4-year degree

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____
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Leadership, Employment, Military & Community Service

Leadership Roles

Describe any leadership or supervisory roles you have held at work, in school or in your community. Briefly explain the nature and the level of your responsibilities including factors such as finances, personnel, public safety, etc.

* Do you have any leadership activities to add? Yes No

* Name of Activity:

* Level and Nature of your involvement:

* Total number of hours spent:

Indicate recognition or honors received:

Using the same format, attach additional leadership activities.

Employment

Include name of employer(s), location, type of business, positions held and dates, hours worked, brief description of duties, promotions, and other recognition received.

* Do you have any employment history to add? Yes No

* Employer:

* Title/type of work:

* City:

* State/Province/Region:

* Country:

* Positions held:

* Start date:

Please enter your date in (MM/dd/yyyy i.e. 09/19/2017 format).

End date:

* Hours worked per week:

* Give a brief description of duties, promotions, and other recognition received.

* Are you receiving or will you be requesting tuition assistance from your employer? Yes No

Using the same format, attach additional employment.

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____
(PLEASE PRINT)

Military Service

Include dates of service, branch, duty station(s), ranks and positions held, type of discharge, brief description of job duties, and promotions along with awards and decorations received.

* Do you have any Military Services to add? Yes No

* Name of the branch:

* Date of service:

Duty station(s):

* Ranks and positions held:

* Type of discharge:

* Give a brief description of job duties, and promotions along with awards and decorations received.

Using the same format, attach additional military service.

Community Service

Indicate any current or previous community service activities sustained for a year or more, the level and nature of your involvement, the year of participation, and the total number of hours spent on each activity. Indicate any recognition received. Indicate leadership positions held.

* Do you have any community service activities to add? Yes No

* Community service activity:

* Level and nature of involvement:

* Years of participation:

* Total number of hours spent:

Indicate recognition received:

Indicate leadership positions held:

Using the same format, attach additional community service.

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____
(PLEASE PRINT)

Additional Consideration

Household Income

* Please select the amount from the list indicating the combined yearly income of the person(s) who will be responsible for your educational expenses. In most cases this will include the applicant and (if any) other household or family members who contribute substantially to supporting the applicant's expenses:

✓ Select
Less than \$10000
\$10000 - \$19999
\$20000 - \$29999
\$30000 - \$39999
\$40000 - \$49999
\$50000 - \$59999
\$60000 - \$69999
\$70000 - \$79999
\$80000 or greater
I prefer not to state my income

Essays

1. Education (not previously mentioned)

*List additional accomplishments during the past 5 years that have not been addresses i nthe sectinos above. (Consider education, military, work, service, etc.)

Attach accomplishments on a separate sheet.

2. Career Goals

*A. Briefly describe your career goals for the next 5-10 years and your plan and time line for accomplishing them.

Attach career goals on a separate sheet.

*B. Explain how your college plans support these career goals and indicate other important factors that led to your decision to pursue this degree or certificate program (100-250 words):

Attach plans in support of career goals on a separate sheet.

3. Home and Family Commitments

*If you have devoted significant time as a primary caretaker or homemaker for family members or other dependents, please describe the circumstances and your role.

Attach family commitments on a separate sheet.

4. More About Top Accomplishments

*Considering all of the work, school, and home activities you described above, describe the one or two accomplishments that you feel are the most significant and that best describe what you are capable of achieving (100-200 words).

Attach accomplishments on a separate sheet.

5. Other

*List any major life activities, interests, or hobbies, particularly any in the past 5 years, not covered in the above sections.

Attach other activities/interest on a separate sheet.

6. Special Circumstances

*Please explain any special circumstances or significant challenges you have overcome, if you feel this information would help us understand and evaluate your ability to succeed in your educational and career plans.

Attach special circumstances on a separate sheet.

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____
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Signatures

I certify that the information I have provided on this application is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge. My signature attests to the accuracy of all information provided.

I am aware that the LANL Foundation reserves the right to verify all information contained in this application, and I am willing to supply supporting documentation if requested.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____
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