



## Marathon Engineering Diversity Undergraduate Scholarships

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Office of Diversity Programs

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By partnering with Marathon, LSU's College of Engineering is accomplishing the goal of becoming a leader in diversity by creating scholarships that will identify talented members of underserved and underrepresented populations and enable them to develop their skills, excel in their engineering coursework, and make positive contributions to the engineering workforce upon completion of their degrees.

Marathon Engineering Diversity Undergraduate Scholarships will be awarded to five *freshman* students whose intended engineering majors are consistent with Marathon's downstream and upstream recruiting needs (chemical engineering, mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, civil engineering and petroleum engineering). The scholarships will provide financial assistance to each recipient with an average award of \$5,000 per year for four years. The actual amount of the award will be determined by each recipient's unmet financial need. Applicants will be evaluated holistically, with consideration given to all academic and non-academic strengths and achievements, as well as the ways in which a contender might contribute to a diverse educational environment. *Students' mid-term grades will also be taken into consideration.* Preference will be given to applicants who are first-generation college students and/or demonstrate financial need. Marathon would have the opportunity to meet and interact with the scholarship recipients at regularly scheduled events.

All application materials are ***DUE OCTOBER 15, 2008.***

If you have any questions, please call Vaneshette Henderson at 225/578.5705 or email [wep@lsu.edu](mailto:wep@lsu.edu).

#### **READ THE ENTIRE SCHOLARSHIP PACKET BEFORE YOU BEGIN TO FILL IT OUT!**

1. Please type all information.
2. Complete all information requested. (Be sure you understand each question and please answer with accurate information.)
3. Student signature is required.

#### **BRING OR FAX COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:**

**Attention: Vaneshette Henderson**

**The Marathon Engineering Diversity Undergraduate Scholarships**

**Office of Diversity Programs**

**3304 Patrick F. Taylor Hall**

**College of Engineering ☆ Louisiana State University**

**Baton Rouge, LA 70803-6401**

**Phone: (225) 578-5705 ☆ FAX: (225) 578-4845**



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STUDENT INFORMATION:

Name: Last First Middle Initial

Address: Mailing Address

City State Zip Code

Telephone Number: LSU Student ID #:

Alternate Phone Number: Email Address:

Birth Date: Gender: Male Female

Ethnic Background: (check all that apply) Hispanic Asian African American
Caucasian Native American (Tribal Enrollment): Other

Are you a US citizen or Legal Resident of the US? Yes No (If your response is "no," please include verification from the Immigration and Naturalization Service that you are a permanent resident.)

High School:

H.S. Graduation Date:

Address: Mailing Address

City State Zip Code

High School Counselor:

Telephone Number:

High School Grade Point Average: Rank in Class (%)

SAT Score: ACT Score:

College GPA (If applicable): Number of Hours Carried:

Please include a current transcripts, high school and college if applicable.



**Student's Personal Statements** Please write a short statement for each.

**1. Please provide a short description of yourself including your academic interests and your educational and career goals.**

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**2. In what ways do you believe you could benefit from being active and long-term participants in the Marathon Scholar Program?**

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**3. List any community service activities you were involved in while in high school, and indicate which of these you are involved in now, if any.**

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4. What organizations or clubs did you belong to in high school or ones that you are presently involved in? Include any offices you held. (Especially Engineering Clubs and Honor Societies)

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5. List any jobs you held to earn money prior to entering LSU. List the most recent one first.

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6. Are you working to earn money now? Yes  No  If yes, please describe your job(s).

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7. Please list the names of two individuals, including a high school teacher (one of whom was a math or science teacher), professor, advisor or counselor whom you have asked to complete a recommendation form on your behalf. These should be people who are familiar with your academic performance and career goals. (Remember to provide the two individuals with recommendation forms)

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## Student Responsibilities

The Marathon Engineering Diversity Undergraduate Scholarship assists freshman who are pursuing a degree in the engineering disciplines. Although the program provides extensive opportunities for personal and academic growth, participants must take individual responsibility for taking advantage of the programs offered, accessing and engaging in opportunities for academic enrichment, and communicating both problems and successes to the project coordinator.

The LSU grant allows us to support only five students per year. We, therefore, invest a large amount of both time and monetary resources in each student. Students who fail to exhibit the behavior, initiative, and academic progress conducive to fulfilling the ultimate program goals of graduating from LSU College of Engineering will be suspended and/or dismissed from the program.

**Students who wish to enter the program and remain active participants agree to fulfill the following requirements:**

- RETENTION GOALS:** Office of Diversity Programs has very strong retention goals. Participants agree to remain in the program through their graduation from Louisiana State University. Students remaining in the program are eligible to renew their scholarship.
- PARTICIPATION & ATTENDANCE:** Students agree to attend, and actively participate in, all required Office of Diversity programs including enrichment programs, meetings, tutoring sessions, and mentoring sessions. This expectation extends to attendance and full participation in all classes and taking advantage of additional academic, professional development, and technical development opportunities offered throughout your college career.
- CURRICULUM:** Students agree to enroll in courses that will adhere to their selected engineering discipline.
- GPA:** Students must enter the program with a minimum GPA of 3.0 and maintain a 3.0 throughout academic career.
- TRACKING:** In order to maintain grant standards and renew our funding, we must report on student progress regularly. Students agree to complete and return all forms asking for such data in a timely manner throughout their college years. In addition, participants agree to keep the Office of Diversity Programs' office informed of any change of address and, further, agree to continue to provide tracking information including, but not limited to, transcripts, test scores, financial aid records, admissions applications and housing information, regardless of whether they remain in the program.

Students who fail to fulfill these expectations and responsibilities may be placed on probationary status, suspended from the program, and/or dismissed from the program. Students who are placed on probation or suspended from the program will be informed of the measures that need to be taken to regain active status. These expectations may include improvements in behaviors or attitude in addition to satisfactory academic efforts and progress. Students who are dismissed from the program may not regain active status.

**I understand the purpose and goals of the Marathon Engineering Diversity Undergraduate Scholarships Program and, if accepted, I agree to fulfill the above expectations and responsibilities.**

 **Student Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_



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## Recommendation Form 1

Please have a high school teacher (one of whom was a math or science teacher), professor, advisor or counselor complete the recommendation forms. The recommendation can be sent with your application packet or the person filling it out may send it directly to the program.

Name of student \_\_\_\_\_ Recommender's name \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_

Phone or e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you know the student? \_\_\_\_\_

LSU Office of Diversity Programs and Marathon are both committed to substantially increasing the number and quality of under-represented students earning baccalaureate degrees in engineering. Please complete this recommendation form based on your knowledge of the applicant and their potential to utilize program opportunities to pursue a college degree in engineering.

In comparison to other students, I would rate this candidate as:

	Exceptional (Upper 5%)	Excellent (Upper 10%)	Above Average (Upper 15%)	Average (Upper 25%)
Academic Potential	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Written Expression	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maturity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motivation and Initiative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self-Confidence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commitment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Imagination and creativity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to work with others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Potential to succeed in the Engineering Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I would recommend this candidate:

Strongly recommend     Recommend     Recommend with reservations     Do not recommend

*Comments (Do not attach additional letters; extraneous materials will not be considered by the judges.)*

*Please use the rest of this form to comment on any aspect of the applicant's background, experiences, community involvement, etc., that you feel will help the Scholarship Committee evaluate this individual.*

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions about the program.



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## Recommendation Form 2

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Name of student \_\_\_\_\_ Recommender's name \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_

Phone or e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you know the student? \_\_\_\_\_

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Self-Confidence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commitment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Imagination and creativity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to work with others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Potential to succeed in the Engineering Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I would recommend this candidate:

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Please use the rest of this form to comment on any aspect of the applicant's background, experiences, community involvement, etc., that you feel will help the Scholarship Committee evaluate this individual.

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions about the program.



### Application Checklist

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Please be sure that you've included all forms.

- Student Information
- School Information *(include a transcript(s))*
- Student Statements
- Acknowledgment of Student Responsibilities
- Recommendation Form 1

Filled out by \_\_\_\_\_

Is this form being sent separately?  Yes  No

- Recommendation Form 2

Filled out by \_\_\_\_\_

Is this form being sent separately? ?  Yes  No