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## Scholarship Application Guidance

Student applications for NDSU's Lillian Goettler Scholarship and UND's Pearl I. Young Scholarship will be evaluated using the following criteria. Please review this information prior to submission, and feel free to share these details with your requested recommender.

### 1. Resume

- Work/Research Experience
  - Any NASA-relevant positions
  - Leadership positions
- Academic Performance
- Extracurricular Activities
  - Leadership roles
- Professional Presentation of Resume

### 2. Letter of Recommendation

- Academic and Technical Capabilities
- Student Character
- Attributes that make this student an ideal candidate for this scholarship

### 3. Essay

Essays must address each of the following questions, and **each separate response must not exceed 300 words.**

1. If a younger sibling or a family friend asked you if she should pursue a career in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM), what would you tell her? (≤ 300 words)
2. Describe your academic and career goals, and how this scholarship will help you to achieve these goals. In what specific way(s) do you want your work in the STEM community to make life better for others? (≤ 300 words)
3. What projects have you started on your own? Why did you start them, and what did you learn? (These projects do not have to be STEM-related. ≤ 300 words)

### 4. Transcript

- Student must have a minimum GPA of 3.5