

BRYAN – LANG FOUNDATION, INC.
RODNEY SHEFFIELD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Guidelines

The Bryan-Lang Foundation, Inc. is offering financial assistance to Camden County students who desire to pursue an undergraduate or graduate degree in history or a history-related field at a Georgia educational institution.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERION:

Applicant must be a Camden County resident and possess a 3.5 or above GPA.

NUMBER OF AWARD(S):

Two scholarships will be awarded in one calendar year:

- a.) One to a Camden County High School graduate, award announcement May 1, also
- b.) One to a college bound or currently enrolled college student; award announcement November 1
- c.) Successful applicants are eligible for one award total in the spring as a high school graduate
- d.) Successful applicants are eligible for one award total in the fall as a college student

AMOUNT OF AWARD(S):

High School Scholarship Award -- \$500

College Scholarship Award -- \$500

SELECTION PROCESS:

The Scholarship Committee will consider the following criterion in making their selection:

- Completed Application
- Applicant GPA
- Recommendation letters
- Application Essay
- High School OR College transcripts in a sealed envelope with applicant's name on front. Most recent will be accepted followed by a final after graduation or end of college semester.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

A. Application Form

B. Essay

Length:

The essay must be typed, double-spaced, 14 point font, and no less than 1000 words and no more than 1500 words.

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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS Continued:

Essay Topic Areas:

- Describe the one historic site you find most important to Camden County, and what you might do to preserve the site and raise community awareness about its significance.
- Describe how you would engage other young people in history and cultural preservation.
- Describe how you would raise public awareness about the importance of preserving local history and culture.
- Explain, from your viewpoint, the importance of protecting local history and culture.

C. Letters of Recommendation

1. Three (3) personal letters of recommendation
2. Two (2) academic letters of recommendation – preferably from History or Social Studies instructors.

D. High School OR College transcripts in a sealed envelope with applicant's name on front. Most recent will be accepted followed by a final after graduation or end of college semester.

DEADLINE TO APPLY:

The application will be due April 23 for the May selection and Oct. 1 for the November selection.

1. All application materials (including application form, essay, letters of recommendation, and transcripts) must be received by mail or in person to the following address:

Bryan – Lang Historical Archives
P.O. Box 715 ~ 311 Camden Avenue
Woodbine, Georgia 31569

NOTIFICATION:

The award recipient will be notified by the Bryan-Lang Historical Archives Board by mail. Award recipients should be willing to participate in media interviews and photo opportunities.

METHOD OF DISBURSEMENT:

Scholarship award will be mailed to the Financial Aid Office of the student's declared institution.

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APPLICATION:

Scholarship applications can be found at the Camden County High School Guidance Office and website, and also online at www.co.camden.ga.us/66/Bryan-Lang-Library.

Incomplete Applications will not be considered

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call Judy Buchanan, Archives Director (912)-576-5841

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

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2. Essay
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Frequently Asked Questions

What is a history related field?

Answer: Any field dealing with history or preservation of history, such as archeology, anthropology, history educator or teacher, museum studies, historical preservation, archivist.

Who is able to apply?

Answer: Any Georgia resident who will be attending a Georgia college or university is qualified to apply for the scholarship.