How to complete your Loran application

Step 1: Learn more about the Loran Award

Visit loranscholar.ca/how-loran-is-different and consider attending a webinar to hear first-hand from scholars about their experiences.

Step 2: Start your application

When the application period opens in early September, begin your online application at apply.loranscholar.ca.

The application consists of short answers, several short essays, and two videos. You will be able to access the video questions only after you submit the written portion of your application. Both your written and video components of the application must be completed before the deadline. You will also be asked to upload a PDF version of your official transcript or marks summary.

- Request this early and directly from your school guidance office, school board, or Ministry of Education (report cards are not accepted). Do not crop the PDF. Your full name, student number/ID, and the issuing body's official letterhead must be clearly visible.

- It is **not possible to change the language** of the application site after you start your application. The language you select for your application will carry into your interviews if you are selected.
- **Start early**. You will have the opportunity to work on the written portion of your application over multiple sessions, saving your work as you progress through each page.

Step 3: Confirm your referee

You will need to determine and confirm who will serve as your referee. This can be a teacher, community member, or someone else who is familiar with your activities. The referee may not be a family member or friend. Connect with that person as soon as possible and confirm their interest and availability. Request their preferred contact details and clearly communicate the request and deadline to them.

Step 4: Submit Your Written Component

As the applicant, you will complete the written application, review its contents, and submit it. The written component involves some short-answer questions and several short essays.

Step 5: Submit Your Video Component

New this year, after completing the written portion, all applicants will get the opportunity to express themselves in a video format. Your video submissions are timed, and you will not be able to review or redo them. You will only be able to access the video questions once you have completed and submitted the written component of the application.

Step 6: Track your progress

Applications must be completed **before October 15 at 12 p.m. ET**. You can log back into the system to view the progress of your reference form at any time before this deadline.

- Encourage your referee to **check their spam folder** if they don't see an email request to log in and submit their form.
- Provide your referee with ample time to complete their recommendation and **stay in close contact** to ensure they submit the form before the deadline.

The Loran application is a multi-step process that involves you and your referee. You cannot skip steps. The entire process must be completed online. If you cannot complete an online application for connectivity or other accessibility reasons, accommodations will be made. Email info@loranscholar.ca or call 1 (866) 554-2673 for more information.