Announcement

Current female students in their junior year with a declared major in Chemistry, Applied Physics, Mathematics or Computer Science are invited to apply for a Clare Boothe Luce Undergraduate Scholarship Award. Two awards will be announced prior to spring break 2017 and will include a full tuition and fees scholarship for academic year 2017-2018 (room and board not included); a paid summer research experience ($4,000 stipend); and an academic year research experience for credit.

Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA, U.S. Citizenship, previous undergraduate research experience, and plans to pursue either an advanced degree or an immediate career in their field upon graduation. Once selected, recipients will be recognized as Clare Boothe Luce Scholars and will be required to maintain a 3.0 GPA during their senior year.

A completed application for a Clare Boothe Luce Undergraduate Scholarship must include:

- the application page as the cover sheet including a proposed idea of a modest initiative to help support fellow female STEM majors on campus
- the student’s Providence College transcript
- two letters of recommendation from faculty within the student’s major department
- a personal statement with focus on career intent (500 words or less)

An original, signed copy of the completed application must be submitted to the School of Arts & Sciences office, Ruane 147, by Wednesday, January 25, 2017. Applications will be reviewed by a committee of three department chairs, the Dean of the School of Arts & Sciences, a representative from Financial Aid, and two additional female STEM faculty members. Names of recommended recipients will be shared with the Henry Luce Foundation for final review and approval. The two scholarship recipients will be announced in early March 2017.

Responsibilities of Clare Boothe Luce Scholars

Students who accept the award will be active within their departments and in the broader campus community by connecting with other STEM students, particularly women, via mentoring and/or tutoring roles, presenting their academic research to a campus audience in the fall and at the College’s Celebration of Scholarship and Creativity in the spring, and attending recruitment events, such as fall admission open houses and spring events for accepted students. They will also be required to complete a service component either via their proposed support initiative or through efforts such as a partnership with the Providence After School Alliance. The College will provide $500 per Clare Boothe Luce Scholar to help actualize their proposals to help support their fellow female STEM majors on campus.
About The Clare Boothe Luce Program
Since its first grants in 1989 the Clare Boothe Luce Program has become the single most significant source of private support for women in science, mathematics and engineering. Clare Boothe Luce, the widow of Henry R. Luce, was a playwright, journalist, U.S. Ambassador to Italy, and the first woman elected to Congress from Connecticut. In her bequest establishing this program, she sought “to encourage women to enter, study, graduate, and teach” in science, mathematics and engineering. Thus far, the program has supported more than 1900 women.

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Academic Year 2017-2018 Clare Boothe Luce Undergraduate Scholarship Award Application Form

Name: ____________________________________    Banner ID # ____________________

Friar Box number: ____________________ PC email address: ________________________

Cell phone number: ____________________ U.S. Citizen: Yes __________    No ____________

Major: _______________________       GPA in major: ________       Overall GPA: _______

Previous Undergraduate Research Experience: __________________________________________
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Faculty Members Submitting Letter of Recommendation:  ________________________________
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Proposed Idea of a Modest Initiative to Help Support Fellow Female STEM Majors on Campus:
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(Attach additional sheet if more space is needed.)

Signature (with date) of applicant: ________________________________

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS January 25, 2017
Please submit the original, signed application to the School of Arts & Sciences office, Ruane 147.

NOTE: Please include the student applicant’s transcript and a personal statement with focus on career intent (500 words or less) with this form. The student should arrange for two letters of recommendation from the faculty within the student’s major department to be forwarded separately to the Dean of Arts & Sciences by the same deadline.