

# Geordi La Forge

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## Education

Lawrence University, Appleton, WI

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Bachelor of Arts

Major: **Government, Physics** (focus in optics)

**GPA 4.0** – Mojmir Povolny Prize in Government, Dean's list (all years)

- Investigated various concepts of justice and fairness in **Founding the Just Regime**
- Explored the contours of the American federal system with a focus on its implications for the American justice system in **Flexibility and Freedom: American Federalism in Transition**
- Examined the American Constitution's structure and purpose, as well as competing modern legal interpretations of the constitution in **Introduction to Constitutional Law**
- Studied landmark 20<sup>th</sup> century civil-rights cases, as well as the evolving role of the Supreme Court in U.S. politics in **Civil Liberties and the Supreme Court**

## Law-Adjacent Experience

Intern

June 2021 – Present

Office of the NASA Attorney Advisor, Washington, DC

- Worked as one of three support staff members for the Office of the NASA Attorney Advisor
- Attended consulting meetings between NASA Attorney Advisor and numerous high-ranking government officials
- Conducted research on the legal precedent for the development of land for research and development purposes under the clause of eminent domain in Texas and Florida
- Fielded calls and filed papers for the Attorney Advisor

President

September 2019 – May 2021

LU Pre Law Society, Appleton, WI

- Organized weekly LSAT study sessions which were consistently attended by 20 members
- Raised awareness about careers in law by hosting two informational events attended by a total of 105 students and hosted by a panel of three lawyers
- Researched the legal feasibility of an Appleton noise ordinance code which would limit the noise generated by vehicles in downtown Appleton and proposed the ordinance at a town hall meeting

Member

September 2020 – May 2021

Lawrence University Mock Trial Club, Appleton, WI

- Spent ten hours a week as member preparing a defense of NASA in a mock trial case of NASA vs. FLRA for the American Mock Trial Association's Regional tournament in Chicago
- Advanced to the Open Round Championships due to exceptional performance in regional tournament
- Became intimately acquainted with Supreme Court trial procedure

**Member**

August 2013 – December 2016

Banadir Zone School Debate Team, Mogadishu, SO

- Refined understanding of rhetorical devices and strengthened public speaking and presentation skills
- Partook in over 20 inter-school debates

**Additional Experience****Volunteer**

September 2020 – May 2021

Viking Ambassadors in Service and Engagement (VASE), Appleton, WI

- Collaborated with the University and community leaders to improve sustainability on campus and around Appleton
- Volunteered at multiple charity organizations focused on improving sustainability
- Proposed an end of program initiative to improve communication between campus and the broader community through the creation of an outward facing bulletin board containing information on on-campus events open to the public

**Captain**

September 2017 – May 2021

Lawrence University Chess Club, Appleton, WI

- Led Lawrence University Chess Team to two conference championships
- Held multiple presentations on the efficacy of the Stafford Gambit and its numerous traps

**Researcher**

June 2019 – September 2020

UW Madison Department of Anthropology, Madison, WI

- Conducted research on the lived experiences of blind and deaf individuals in Bangalore, India
- Designed content analysis methodology for systemic analysis of data gathered by interlocutors in Bangalore
- Offered constructive critique of Prof. Wendland's initial draft of findings which would be integrated in the final draft

**Researcher**

June 2018 – September 2019

Roosevelt University Department of Sociology, Chicago, IL

- Headed a research initiative to produce a follow-up study of Prof. Maly's seminal work *Beyond Segregation: Multiracial and Multiethnic Neighborhoods in America*
- Conducted an extensive literature review on research conducted after the publication of *Beyond Segregation*
- Gathered significant amounts of both demographic and ethnographic data on developments in the Jackson Heights neighborhood since 2005
- Drafted the first edition of the published findings of research

**Skills**

- Fluent in Somali and Arabic
- Proficient in ATLAS.ti and "R" Studio