Eligibility and Instructions

The Dr. Harry N. Hild Student Writing Award for the College of Arts and Sciences provides annual support for students in the College of Arts and Sciences. Each year, the College of Arts and Sciences will host a student writing competition to celebrate the importance of effective communication skills. To participate in the student writing competition, applicants must submit an original written work that will be reviewed by a selection committee consisting of faculty in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Undergraduate students who have declared a major in the College of Arts and Sciences at Northeastern Illinois University are eligible to apply. Applicants must be enrolled full- or part-time. Senior applicants must have at least one semester remaining prior to graduation to be eligible.

The student writing submission deadline is 4:30 p.m. on April 27, 2019.

General Information

(Please print)
Name__________________________________________
Address_________________________________________________________________________________
City____________________ State_________ Zip______________
Work Phone__________________________ Cell Phone:____________________________
E-mail address______________________________

Other Information

I am majoring in a program in the College of Arts and Sciences:  •  Yes  •  No  (check one)

I am an undergraduate student in my:  ___Freshman  ___Sophomore  ___Junior  ___Senior year  (check one)

I am majoring in: ___________________________
I am enrolled full- or part- time:  ___Yes  ___No  (check one)

(Applicants must have at least one semester remaining prior to graduation.)

Number of credit hours completed: _______
Cumulative NEIU G.P.A.: _______
Expected Graduation: _______
Please submit a typed and double spaced written text addressing the following:

Northeastern Illinois University is guided by six key values, one of which is COMMUNITY. According to NEIU’s Statement of Values:

“NEIU has a special obligation to provide an environment that is supportive, nurturing and participatory. Such an environment is characterized by civility, fostering humanity, and engagement, and creates a sense of community through inclusion, mutual respect, and empowerment.”

What does COMMUNITY mean to you?

Writing submissions may take a variety of forms, such as an informative or persuasive essay; a creative format (e.g., a poem, short story, short play, script or screenplay); a journalistic approach (e.g., opinion/editorial piece or news feature); an open letter (e.g., to a public/elected official); or a personal narrative.

Writing submissions will be evaluated according to the following criteria: 1) effectiveness of written communication and overall message; 2) ability to provide meaningful insights about the topic; and 3) potential impact of the message on readers.

I certify that all information provided on this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I authorize the Office of Institutional Advancement to verify the information that is contained on this application and to release the information provided on this application to those individuals involved in the selection process. I understand that any false statements, untruths or plagiarism will result in my forfeiture of the scholarship should I be selected as the recipient. Also, I understand that any false statements, untruths or plagiarism will result in my returning any/all monies awarded to me from the Dr. Harry N. Hild Student Writing Award.

Signature__________________________________________ Date__________________________________________

Please submit a completed (and signed) application form and writing submission to Katrina Bell-Jordan in the College of Arts and Sciences (BBH-158).

Tim Libretti, Acting Associate Dean
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All materials including completed (and signed) application forms and writing submissions must be in PDF format and sent to T-Libretti@neiu.edu by 4:30 p.m. on April 27, 2020.