Annual Essay Contest
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Oklahoma City Community College
Division of English & Humanities

Entering is easy. The only requirements are that you:

1) Were enrolled during the Spring, Summer or Fall 2014 semester in College Prep English II, English Composition I or II.

2) Completed the essay for an assignment for ENGL 0203, ENGL 1103, ENGL 1113, ENGL 1123, or ENGL 1213.

Each student may enter one essay per course.

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Essay Contest Student Procedures and Guidelines

- Students enrolled in either ENGL 1103, ENGL 1113, ENGL 1123, or ENGL 1213 at OCCC during the Spring 2014 and/or Fall 2014 are eligible to enter the contest.
- The essay submitted must have been completed as an assignment for ENGL 1103, ENGL 1113, ENGL 1123, or ENGL 1213.
- Each student may enter one essay per course.
- The topic is the student’s choice.
- The essay must be typed or computer printed on white, 8” x 11” paper, double-spaced with standard margins, and presented in MLA format. Do not staple the essay.
- All information must be completed on the Entry Form: the writer's full name, address, student ID number, email, and phone number as well as the essay’s title, writing Instructor’s signature, and student’s signature.
- All essays will be submitted in a pocket folder and contain the following completed documents: Essay Release Form, Essay Contest Entry Form, and Essay. These materials are not to be stapled.
- The deadline for submitting the essay is the end of the Fall 2014 semester.
- Winning essays may be posted on the L.A. Department’s webpage.

Essay Contest Judging Procedures and Guidelines

1. Judges’ Committee will be comprised of four (4) OCCC English Composition instructors.
2. A scoring rubric will be used to determine winner placements.
3. The scoring rubric, reflecting the elements being judged, will be available to students.
4. In the event of a two-way 1st place tie, the 1st & 2nd place prize money will be split evenly between the two 1st place winning submissions per category.
5. In the event of a multiple tie, an additional OCCC Composition instructor will be used to evaluate the submission(s) in question.
6. All identifying information (student name and instructor name) will be removed prior to judging.
7. The essay submission must meet all entry requirements, or the essay will not be scored.
8. The essay must be submitted in a pocket folder and contain the following completed documents to be eligible: Essay Release Form, Essay Contest Entry Form, and Essay.
9. All materials will be destroyed after judges’ tabulations.
10. The judges’ decision will be final.
11. Students with the winning essays will receive recognition and awards at the Annual OCCC Student Awards Ceremony held each Spring semester.
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Essay Contest Entry Form

Student Name: ____________________________________________

ID Number: ____________________________________________

Phone: ____________________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________

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Essay Title: ____________________________________________

Enrolled in: English 1103 ______________

English 1113 ______________

English 1123 ______________

English 1213 ______________

Semester Enrolled: ____________________________________________

Essay Title: ____________________________________________

Instructor’s Signature:___________________________________________Date:_________________

Always keep a copy of your work. Essays will not be returned.

Submission materials should be mailed or delivered to:

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Essay Release Form

The author of the Essay being submitted should complete the following information:

Student Name: __________________________________________________

ID Number: ______________________________________________________

Phone: _________________________________________________________

Email: _________________________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________

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Essay Title: _____________________________________________________

Essay Completion Date: __________________________________________

Course Name, Number, and Section: _________________________________

Instructor’s Name: ______________________________________________

By signing this form, I hereby give my authorization for the OCCC Division of English & Humanities to use my essay for academic purposes, including, but not limited to, publication on the school web-site. Furthermore, I hereby affirm that the item submitted above is my own original work. Copyright reverts to the writer on all items published.

Signature: ____________________________ Date: ______________

A hard copy of this release is required for contest eligibility and possible publication. For questions or comments, please contact Tonya Kymes at tkymes@occc.edu.