

Third Annual Foreign Languages and Literatures Essay Contest

The Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures invites you to submit an essay whose purpose is to highlight the importance of foreign language studies within a liberal arts education. Please write on the following topic:

Learning a Foreign Language in a Global Society

DEADLINE: TUESDAY, January 31, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

Monetary Award (will be deposited in the student's Bursar's account):

- 1st prize: \$ 200
- 2nd prize: \$ 100
- 3rd prize: \$ 50

Eligibility:

Foreign language majors or minors declared by January 20, 2012

Guidelines:

- Only one submission per person
- If you have won previously, you are not eligible
- Essay must be between 500-750 words
- Essay must be typed and double spaced (font size 12 pt.)
- Essay must be original (that is, written by you) and written in English
- Entries must include the essay contest entry form
- Remove all information identifying you as the author from the essay, but attach entry form to essay
- Only hard copies will be accepted (3 must be submitted)
- Entries must be received at the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures in
- Watson Hall 111 no later than Tuesday, January 31, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

Judging Criteria:

Creativity
Relevance to topic selected
Style and grammar

Winners will be announced at the Foreign Languages & Literatures Departmental Award Ceremony on April 21, 2012 from 2:00-4:00 pm at the Chandelier Room.

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FOREIGN LANGUAGES & LITERATURES
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ESSAY CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Attach this form to your entry.

Please print clearly.

Name: _____ Z# ID: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Submission of an entry constitutes agreement that NIU's Dept. of Foreign Languages & Literatures will have rights of reproduction of the winning contest submissions, and of publication of photos from the award ceremony.

You may submit your entry in person to the Department of Foreign Languages & Literatures or mail it to:

Department of Foreign Languages & Literatures
Attn: Essay Contest
Watson 111
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, IL 60115

All entries must be received by 4:00 p.m. on January 31, 2012