

NIU GRADUATE LEADERSHIP AWARD
Application Form

PURPOSE: To recognize graduate students that have shown outstanding participation and leadership in student organizations, thereby significantly enhancing the quality of campus life.

This application should be used by organizations or individuals to nominate a student or by an individual to nominate one's self. In the evaluation process, volunteer activities will receive more consideration than paid activities. Grade Point Average will be evaluated on a sliding scale. The higher the GPA the more points awarded towards consideration.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Students can only win this award once
- Graduate student status
- You must be an enrolled student in the graduate school for at least 1 semester prior to applying for this award

CRITERIA (all criteria will be judged equally):

- Active participation in recognized student or academic organization or athletic/club team
- Community service
- Quality of involvement (impact on campus)
- Scope of involvement (variety)
- Level of involvement (leader vs. member)
- Demonstrated leadership ability
- Demonstrated personal growth
- Future commitment and potential for future achievement
- Academic Achievement
- 2 Letters of recommendation
- Please only include activities from graduate school

APPLICATION PROCESS AND DEADLINE:

- Complete the application form and return it, with two letters of recommendation, to Student Involvement and Leadership Development, Campus Life Building 150, **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 1, 2012**. Please print legibly!
- **MUST submit 2 copies of the entire application** (2 copies of the application, 2 copies of each recommendation letter = 6 total documents)

RECOGNITION:

- Written notification regarding this award will be available by early April 2012.
- Recipients will be honored with a Certificate of Recognition at the Kevin D. Knight Leadership Awards Ceremony on Sunday, April 29th, 2012.

Name _____ Z-ID# _____

Home Address _____
Street Address City State ZIP

Local Address _____
Street Address City State ZIP

Local Phone _____ Graduation Date _____
Month Year

Number of Hours Currently Enrolled _____ Credit Hours to Date _____

Major _____ GPA _____

Email _____

I hereby agree to allow Student Involvement and Leadership Development to verify my grade point average with the Office of Registration and Records for the purpose of this award selection process. I understand that all information provided via the application process must be true and accurate, and that falsification of any information will result in the loss of any and all award(s) for which I am selected. I understand that if I am selected for this award, any information I provide, with the exception of my grade point average, will become public and will be announced as part of the award presentation ceremony.

Signature

Date

List your organizational involvement/leadership: **List ONLY from August 2010 to Present**

Organization	Position	Dates	Paid (Y/N)

List your community service for the: **List ONLY from August 2010 to Present**

Name of Agency Served	Nature of Activity	Dates	Hours Volunteered

List awards, honors, and/or other recognitions you have received **while attending NIU:**

Award	Date Received	Description

Briefly state what your plans are for organizational involvement in the future. _____

If you are selected to receive the "NIU Graduate Leadership Award," would you like your immediate family to be notified? (check one):

- Yes, please notify my family of my selection
- No, do NOT notify my family of my selection

If you indicated that you would like your family to be notified, please provide a name and address for notification:

