

NIU SOPHOMORE LEADERSHIP AWARD
Application Form

PURPOSE: To recognize sophomores 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. (*Note: Students interested in the Institutional Tuition Waiver Award must apply separately for that award using the ITW Award form. Students may use the same Letters of Recommendation for both awards, but separate copies must be submitted with each application.*) 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. Students must be in good academic standing with the university (at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA).

ELIGIBILITY:

- Students can only win this award once
- Full-time sophomore status (30-59 hours)

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 personal growth
- Future commitment and potential for future achievement
- 2 Letters of recommendation

** If you are a transfer student, please submit unofficial transcripts with your application. Transcripts will only be used to verify enrollment.*

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, by **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 1, 2012**. Please write 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 in early April 2012.
- Recipients will be honored with a Certificate of Recognition at the Kevin D. Knight Leadership Awards Ceremony on Sunday, April 29, 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 university and community service: **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 Sophomore 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:

