

2019 Steuber Prize for Excellence in First-Year Writing Paper Guidelines

How Many Entries

One and only one entry in the category of your choice

What to Submit

Completed entry form

Four copies (no name on any pages of these copies)

(Electronic copies must be made available if requested, but initial submissions must be in hard copy form.)

Who May Submit

Any freshman in the College of Engineering at the University of Wisconsin-Madison

Deadline

Tuesday, February 26, 2019, 12:00 p.m. (noon)

Where to Submit

Technical Communication Program

Room 2107 (2nd Floor)

Mechanical Engineering Building

Types of Writing Considered

- Reflective writing (non-fictional, non-technical, insightful prose about, for instance, engineering as a career, your interest in a particular engineering discipline or design; about your experience in college thus far; about a life-changing experience; about a travel or cultural experience that has changed your perspective)
- Academic/non-fictional writing (an informative, persuasive, or expressive paper or report)
- Creative writing (a work of your imagination--poetry, fiction, drama, etc.)

Format for Submissions

- 2,500-word maximum (about 10 pages)
- Double-spaced, word-processed
- Standard APA reference citations (not included in word count)
- No equations or illustrations
- Accompanied by required cover sheet (available online or Mechanical Engineering, Room 2107)
- No name on pages
- Title on first page
- Page numbers on bottom

Rules

- You may revise a paper that you wrote for a previous class.
- You may receive critiques from other UW-Madison undergraduate engineering students.
- You may seek general help on writing from instructors or the Writing Center.

Not Allowed

- Outside help from instructors or anyone ineligible to enter the Steuber Prize contests. Specific help on your entry from instructors or the Writing Center.