

COMPA Student Scholarship Guidelines & Application

The National Conference of Minority Public Administrators (COMPA) is making available four scholarships that will be awarded during its 46th annual conference. All scholarships will be issued during the Awards Ceremony that will be held on March 16, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in Atlanta, Georgia at the Sheraton Atlanta Hotel. All scholarship winners should plan to attend the Awards Ceremony to accept the award.

Essay Description and Eligibility:

Civil Rights Essay Award (High School Students only)

Write a 500 word narrative essay which describes at least two Black Lives Matter investigations conducted by former United States Attorney General Eric Holder.

Tyrone Baines Essay Award (Undergraduate/Graduate Students only)

Write a 1,000 word narrative essay on the promulgation "A Majority of the Popular Vote vs. the Highest Number of Electoral College Votes: The Constitutional Requirement and an Analysis of Its Impact on Democracy.

Scholarship Awards:

COMPA recognizes, by making these scholarships available, the value of nurturing and engaging students in order to ensure a bright future for the public administration profession.

The Civil Rights Essay Awards will be granted to two high school students in the amount of \$500 per student.

The Tyrone Baines Essay Awards will be granted to two undergraduate/graduate student scholarships. The first place best essay winner will receive a scholarship of \$1,000 and \$800 will be awarded to the second place winner.



Essay Requirements

- The length of essay should be 500 words (high school students) or 1,000 words (undergraduate/graduate students).
- The cover page must include the title of the essay, author's name, name of school, mailing address, phone number, and the student's e-mail address and phone number.
- The author's name and essay title should appear at the top of all other pages.
- Essays should be typed, single spaced, use Times New Roman 12 font size and appear on 8 1/2"x11" white paper.
- The author should use the most recent edition of the American Psychological Association style guidelines (http://www.apastyle.org/) when formatting your essay.
- The essay should be submitted in a Microsoft Word or compatible format.
- A complete bibliography should be included, if appropriate.

Essay Evaluation Criteria

Essays will be evaluated considering the following criteria:

- Well-organized introduction highlighting the key points of the paper
- Consistent use of transition statements connecting key points
- Key points underscore the strategies to engage marginalized citizens
- Proper in-text citations of direct quotes and paraphrases
- Paper meets paper size requirement 5 single spaced pages
- Reference page properly formatted APA style

Submission and Timeline

To be eligible for consideration, email your application and essay by Monday, February 13, 2017 to Dr. Kristie Roberts-Lewis at compasecretary@gmail.com. The COMPA Scholarship Committee will review all submissions. The scholarship winners will be notified by Monday, February 24, 2017.



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Conference of Minority Public Administrators Scholarship Application Form

Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	Email:
School:	Program:
Advisor Name &Title:	
Phone:	Email:
Please provide a brief description of your program of study and any internships in which you have participated.	
2. Please describe your academic accomplishments.	
3. How will this scholarship award support your educational pursuits?	