

THE WILLIAM B. RUGGLES RIGHT TO WORK SCHOLARSHIP

The William B. Ruggles Right to Work Scholarship honors the esteemed Texas journalist who coined the phrase "Right to Work" and contributed greatly to the movement's advancement. A \$2,000 scholarship is awarded annually to the student who exemplifies the dedication to principle and high journalistic standards of the late Mr. Ruggles.

WHO MAY APPLY:

Applicants are limited to graduate or undergraduate students majoring in journalism or related majors, in institutions of higher learning throughout the United States. Officers, directors and employees of the National Institute for Labor Relations Research, the National Right to Work Committee, Members of the Selection Review Committee and their families are not eligible.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:

The scholarship is awarded on the basis of scholastic ability and a demonstrated interest in the work of the Institute.

Applicants must also:

(a) Demonstrate potential for the successful completion of the educational requirements in an accredited journalism program by submitting a transcript or copy of acceptance letter from the school you are or will attend;

(b) Demonstrate an understanding of the principles of voluntary unionism and the economic and social problems of compulsory unionism by submitting an essay of approximately 500 words.

SELECTION PROCESS:

After an initial review of the applicants by Institute staff, a Selection Review Committee of three or more independent reviewers and representatives of the Institute will review the essays and recommend the first, second and third-best essays to the Institute's Board of Directors. At its annual meeting in April, the Board will consider the recommendations of the Selection committee and Institute staff and then make its final decision. If, in the opinion of the Board, no applicant meets all the criteria, a recipient will not be selected.

The scholarship will be paid to the institution of higher learning which the recipient plans to attend, and the recipient will be

required to provide a copy of his/her transcript from that institution at the end of the academic year.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

A total application consists of three parts:

- (a) A completed formal application;
- (b) A copy of the most up-to-date transcript of grades. Finalists will be asked to submit an official transcript;
- (c) A typewritten essay of approximately 500 words clearly demonstrating an interest in, and knowledge of, the Right to Work principle.

Applications must be received between October 1 and December 31. Applications must be postmarked by December 31.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO:

William B. Ruggles Scholarship Selection Committee
National Institute for Labor Relations Research
5211 Port Royal Road, Suite 510 Springfield, VA 22151
(703) 321-9606 research@nilrr.org

APPLICATION: William B. Ruggles Right to Work Scholarship

Period of Application: Academic Year 20____ to 20____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Miss Mrs. Mr.

Name _____
Last First
Middle or Maiden

Date of birth _____
Month Day
Year

U.S. Citizen Yes No

Permanent address _____

School address _____

Home telephone (including area code)

Current telephone (including area code)

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

College or university currently attending

College or university to which scholarship would apply
(or intended institution for freshmen)

Address: _____

Course of study: ___ Undergraduate ___ Graduate

Major

(application void without declaration of present or intended major)

Year in school to which scholarship would apply

Current grade point average

Class status (example: 2nd semester sophomore)

Activities: List any professional work experience, extracurricular activities,
and/or awards and honors

Postgraduate plans

List two references (exclusive of relatives and fellow students) who would be most familiar with your abilities and goals and/or experience in the field of journalism or related majors

Name _____

Address _____

Name _____

Address _____

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information provided on this application and all supplemental forms is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that if I am chosen as a scholarship recipient, I will use those funds only for the expenses related to my education in an institution of higher learning in the United States, and I will provide a transcript at the end of the school year for which the scholarship will apply.

Signature _____

Date _____

Note: This application will not be processed unless it is accompanied by a current transcript and the required essay as specified on the information sheet.

All categories must be checked off and filled in, and this application with all accompanying pieces must be postmarked by December 31.

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The National Institute for Labor Relations Research is a nonprofit educational facility for the general public providing the supplementary analysis and research necessary to expose the economic and inequities of compulsory unionism.