Ira Berlin Writing Award

Award Requirements & Application Form
Citation Class of 2020

----- Description-----
The Ira Berlin Writing Award honors a Scholar who has demonstrated excellence in academic writing, as part of the Scholars curriculum, including colloquia, supporting courses, practica, and capstones. The award recognizes work that communicates effectively to an academic audience, conveys thoughtful analysis, and demonstrates meaningful learning. Submissions could include essays, reflection papers, research papers, and other genres of nonfiction academic prose.

Nominations may be made by any member of the College Park Scholars community, including faculty, staff, instructors, Resident Life officials, and students. The winner of this award will receive a scholarship of $350. Self-nominations are encouraged.

----- Requirements-----
Applicants must be in good academic standing and cleared for their College Park Scholars citation by their program faculty.

----- Application-----
To apply, applicants must:
- Submit copies of their résumé and an unofficial transcript.
- Submit a writing sample from a course that counts toward their College Park Scholars citation (e.g. colloquia, ENGL 101, CPSP courses, and/or supporting courses).
  - The writing sample must be free of any instructor comments or grades.
- Submit an essay of no more than two pages describing how their Scholars experience has had an impact on their writing.
- Provide contact information for at least one reference, a campus faculty or staff member, who can attest to their merits for the award (a letter of recommendation is not required.)

Applicants are limited to one submission per award category.

Complete the application by going to:
go.umd.edu/scholarsawards
by 11:59pm on Monday, October 26, 2020