THE SECOND ANNUAL
COLLEGIATE LAWS OF LIFE
ESSAY CONTEST

PROMPTS

Please select ONE of the following prompts:

1. “All mankind is divided into three classes: those that are immovable, those that are movable, and those that move.” ~ Benjamin Franklin
   What are the differences among these three, and how can they best collaborate?

2. “The great rule of conduct for us, in regard to foreign nations, is in extending our commercial relations to have as little political connection as possible…. It is our true policy to steer clear of permanent alliances with any portion of the foreign world.” ~ George Washington
   How should we understand this historical legacy? Do you think that the United States should continue to foster democracy across the world? Why or why not?

3. “Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers.” ~ Charles William Eliot
   What is your favorite book, and how has it changed your world view or impacted the way you live your life?

Our purpose is to encourage Penn State undergraduate students to explore ethical values and intercultural issues, and their talent for expressing their views in writing.

Essays should be no longer than 800 words and will be judged on originality, relevance, and creativity. The contest is open to all full-time baccalaureate students who are enrolled at any Penn State campus for at least one semester of the 2014–15 academic year.

Winners will receive:
1st place: $500  ~  2nd place: $400  ~  3rd place: $300

To submit your essay, go to: voices.la.psu.edu/essay-contest

Submission deadline: January 16, 2015