

The Leone McGregor Prize

FAQs

General:

When will the winners be notified?

The winners will be notified by August 31st, 2014. Please do not call the Dean's Office to check if you have won. Every entrant will receive an e-mail, letter or phone call, indicating whether his/her entry was selected as the winner.

If I win, will my entry be published anywhere?

Possibly. That privilege remains with the donor and the Faculty of Arts, and will be decided once a winner is chosen.

Will the judges know who wrote each entry?

No, all identifying information (e.g. name, ID number) is removed from the entries before they are submitted to the judges. Also, the judges will not see your application form—anything you write on the application form will not affect your success in the competition. Nevertheless, the application form **MUST** be included with your entry.

Eligibility:

If I am registered in a Faculty other than Arts (i.e. Arts is not my home Faculty), can I enter the competition?

Yes. This competition is open to ALL undergraduate students registered in any faculty of the University of Alberta. This includes undergraduate students registered at Campus St. Jean and Augustana.

Entrants must be full-time undergraduate students. What is the definition of “full time”?

“Full time” means you will complete at least 9 credits of course weight (*9) in the Spring Term of the competition year or that you were registered in a work experience program during the competition term.

Can I enter the competition if I am graduating this Spring (2014)?

Yes.

If am working on an after degree, can I enter the competition?

No.

If I am a special student, a visiting student or a graduate student, can I enter the competition?

No. Special students, visiting students and graduate students are not eligible to enter the competition.

Entries:

Are there any limitations about the topic of my submission?

Yes. The topic of your entry must celebrate the life of Dr. Leone McGregor (1900 – 1977). Inspiration and ideas may be taken from the recently published *Gold Medalist: The Annotated Biography of Leone McGregor Hellstedt, MD, MSc, Med.lic, DSc.* in which her life has been documented. There are four suggested types of themes in the first paragraph on page 288.

Are copies of the book available, and if so, where can I get a copy?

Complimentary copies of this book are available to undergraduate students wishing to submit an entry. Copies can be picked up at the Faculty Office, Faculty of Arts. Please see Nancie (6-33 Humanities Centre).

Can I write my submission in a language other than English?

No. Submissions must be written in English.

Does my submission have to be written specifically for this competition?

Yes.

Can I submit something that I worked on as part of a course?

Yes, as long as the submission is an original composition and your own work.

Will I be able to submit my entry to publications, following the competition?

If you are selected as the winner of the competition, the Faculty of Arts (and the donor) reserves the first right of refusal to publish your submission. If you are not the winner, you are free to do as you wish with your writing, once the winner has been selected.

Can two people submit a co-authored piece?

No. Each submission must be authored by a single person, however, asking friends to criticize and edit your work is permissible.

Can I provide you with artwork as a complement to my writing?

No. This is solely a writing competition.

What if my word count isn't a minimum of 2,500 words?

Your entry will be disqualified. There are no exceptions to this rule, no matter how close you are to the word count limitations.

Which parts of my entry should count towards the word count?

Word count should NOT include the title, author's name or information from the application form. Footnotes SHOULD be included in the word count; however, please note you are not obligated to include footnotes if your submission does not warrant them.

The Winner's Prize:

What types of restrictions are on the prize money?

None. There is no catch. This is a cash prize for the winner to do with as they choose.

Are there tax implications for my Award?

Potentially. The University will issue a T4A based on the calendar year the award is paid. Applicable income taxes may be applied by Canada Revenue Agency as per the Income Tax Act.