

Essay Tips for the Trust Scholarship Application

Follow the tips below to write your essay for the Trust Scholarship application. Please contact your AthLife advisor with any questions.

Scholarship Application Essay Tips

- Make a note of the essay's required minimum and maximum word length as stated in your scholarship application and keep track of your word count. If your essay is too short or too long, the online scholarship system will not accept your application.
- Write your essay using Word, Google Docs, or another similar program and save it. When finished, copy and paste your essay into your scholarship application.
- Do not use your name in the essay.

Essay Writing Tips

- Set aside designated time to work on your essay that is free of distractions.
 - Read the assigned essay question carefully.
 - Take some time to understand and reflect upon the question.
- Brainstorm your answer to the essay question.
 - Jot down ideas for your answer and organize them by topic.
 - Think of some examples that support your answer and write them down.
 - Make sure that you are answering the actual essay question.
- Create an outline to develop your essay with separate paragraphs for an introduction, body, and conclusion.
 - The introduction contains the thesis statement or essay's main point.
 - The body provides details and supporting examples for your thesis.
 - The conclusion restates the thesis or main point of the essay.
- Write your first essay draft.
 - Utilize your outline to help organize your essay response.
 - Try to use the active voice in your writing, where the subject performs the action, to make it more engaging.
 - Check your spelling and grammar.
 - Read your essay out loud to catch any mistakes.
 - Ask a friend or family member to read your essay and offer feedback.
- Revise your essay by asking yourself the following questions.
 - Did I answer the essay question?
 - Is my essay clearly organized without spelling or grammar errors?
 - Did I meet the scholarship minimum word count requirement?
 - Did I provide supporting examples to answer the question?
 - Will the audience understand my response?