A GUIDE TO MAKING YOUR AWARDS APPLICATION STAND OUT
Help you understand:

• How to set your self apart from others
• How awards are chosen
• General awards tips
• Where to find help
Consider the following questions:

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<th>What makes you different?</th>
<th>What activities have you participated in? (school, community, etc.)</th>
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**KNOW YOUR TOOLBOX**
- No time to be modest
- Let yourself shine
- Brag about your accomplishments

TOOT YOUR HORN
More time to reflect and create an app that stands out

Familiarity with process

Chance to fix anything that is missing

START EARLY
Example:

Provide us with an overview of: *Why you chose your program/field of study, your career aspirations and educational goals and how an NSCC education and previous experience has prepared you for this career; and why you believe you will succeed in your chosen profession upon graduation.*
Consider the following questions when building your essay

- Why did you get involved with the activity(ies)?
- What learning took place?
- What was your level of involvement?
- What impact did the experience have on your life?

LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
Eligibility Requirements
- Full-time Students
- Open to new and returning students
- Enrolled in one of the following programs:
  - View Programs

How We Choose
This award will be assessed based on:
- Good academic standing,
- Demonstrate a strong work ethic and a commitment to extracurricular activities,
- Community service,
- Financial need.

To Apply for this Award
This award requires the completion of the following section(s) of our online application.
WHAT MAKES YOU UNIQUE?
ASK FRIENDS, FAMILY, PEERS WHAT IS SPECIAL ABOUT YOU AND INCORPORATE THIS INTO YOUR ESSAY(S)!

STAND OUT IN THE CROWD
YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE AN EXPERT WRITER. BUT IT IS IMPORTANT TO PROOFREAD TO MAKE SURE YOUR ANSWERS MAKE SENSE AND TO ELIMINATE SPELLING MISTAKES.

**TIP:** PREPARE YOUR ESSAY(S) IN A WORD DOC & RUN A SPELLING AND GRAMMAR CHECK.
Apply for all of the awards you are eligible for

Track deadlines carefully

Keep a copy for future applications and/or portfolio

Have someone else review your application

OTHER GOOD IDEAS

nscc Student Awards!
Choose the right person to recommend you
Add the award criteria to your request
Review the information before you submit it
Thank the reference for their assistance

WHEN IT COMES TO REFERENCES...
4 SIMPLE STEPS

1. Search
2. Narrow Results
3. Gather & Prepare Items
4. Complete Application

HOW TO APPLY

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student awards!
WHERE TO GET HELP

AWARDS WORKSHOPS
STUDENT SERVICES
YOUR CLASSMATES
LIBRARY
NSCC AWARDS OFFICE