

Excellence in the Humanities — Celebration of Scholarship — Rubric

	Areas of Demonstrated Excellence	Areas for Improvement	
<p>Scholarship and Inquiry Development</p> <p>How effectively does the student demonstrate how she or he consulted primary sources and/or scholarly works to formulate their research question or design their project?</p> <p>(Is the line of questioning expanding on previous work? Does the research offer new insight or perspective in the area of study?)</p>			
<p>Methods</p> <p>(A) How effectively did the student articulate his or her research method(s)?</p>	A	A	
<p>(B) Did the student make a compelling argument for the stated methods and conclusions? (Were the methods used, or theories applied, appropriately? Were the conclusions compelling?)</p>	B	B	

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<p>Audience Engagement How engaging was the presentation?</p> <p>(The student should make eye contact with the audience, speak confidently, refer to any visual aids, and respond well to questions from the audience.)</p>			
<p>Significance How significant is the project to the student’s field of study? (How well did the student convey the upshot and relevancy for the discipline?)</p>			

Some Contextual Information for Judges:

The Excellence in the Humanities Award was developed specifically to showcase the research-based scholarship of students in the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences at Shawnee State University. The award has a First and Second Place prize.

The prizes are awarded to students who are currently enrolled at Shawnee State University and also a participant in the Celebration of Scholarship Conference. The award is for outstanding research and writing projects in the arts, humanities, and social sciences that investigative, project-based, and scholarly. The First-Place recipient of this award will receive a scholarship of \$500 applied to their student account. The Second-Place recipient will receive a scholarship of \$250 applied to their student account. If a group receives the award, the money will be divided up between all of the group members. Award amounts may be refunded to the student(s) in the event all of their tuition and fees are paid.

Students applying for the Award must meet the following criteria:

- To be considered, students must be nominated by a faculty mentor.
- Recipients must be currently enrolled students and participate as oral presenters for the Celebration of Scholarship.
- Nominees must give a 15-minute presentation during a special “Humanities Award” session during the Celebration of Scholarship.