Instructions for Economics Scholarship Essay:

1. To be eligible, you must be an undergraduate student with a major or minor in Economics. In addition, you must have completed at least nine hours of economics course work (including the Principles of Economics courses) and have a 3.0 GPA in your economics courses as of January 1, or be nominated for the scholarship contest by one of your economics professors.
2. One of the requirements for the scholarship is to write a policy essay (not a technical research paper). Your essay should have a title page and be typed on 8 ½ x 11 white paper. Any references and footnotes should follow a standard style format. The body of your paper should not exceed four pages, double spaced.
3. The topic is: "Choose a controversial policy issue that interests you, and imagine you are an economic advisor to the President, who wants your opinion on this issue. What advice would you give him or her?"
4. The essays will be evaluated by the Scholarship Committee, and judged on originality, clarity, technical analysis, and correct usage of economic tools and principles. Appropriate grammar, punctuation, spelling, and transitions are also important.
5. The writer of the best essay will receive a scholarship of approximately $800 for the following academic year.
6. Please fill out the required information on the application and upload your completed essay by entering it in the provided field for essay file uploads.