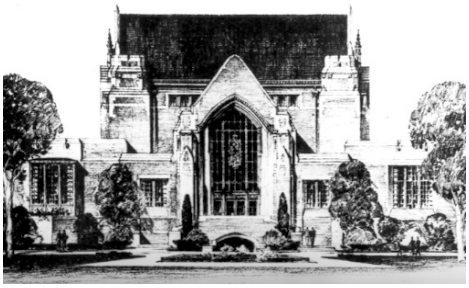

Booth Library
Eastern Illinois University

Awards for Excellence in Student Research and Creativity

2010 Guidelines and Application

Introduction
Booth Library at Eastern Illinois University announces its first awards program to promote and recognize excellence in student research. The awards program encourages students to utilize the wealth of information available at Booth Library to enhance their studies. These awards are not intended to duplicate or replace any other standing campus awards. Each entry will become a part of Booth Library Student Research and Creativity Collection.

Awards
The Booth Library *Awards for Excellence in Student Research and Creativity* program is open to all Eastern Illinois students. Each award consists of a certificate and a cash prize. Certificates of Merit or Honorable Mention may be presented to selected additional entries.

Timetable
Entries must be delivered to the Administration Office, Room 4700, Booth Library, no later than April 1, 2010. Recipients will be selected by April 10, 2010, and the winners will be announced during National Library Week, April 12-18, 2010. Entries submitted for competition must have been completed within the last 12 months.

Competition Rules
1. Both individual students and groups of students may submit an entry. If more than one person is involved, you must indicate why others were necessary and specify each person's contribution to the whole.

2. All entries must demonstrate or in narrative form present a connection to Booth Library's collections, or another research collection, whether as inspiration or by a researched association.

3. The product of student research and creative activity may be any of the following; however, this is not intended to be exhaustive. Five copies of all written work must be submitted.
    - Written work
    - Artistic work
    - Exhibits
    - Musical work
    - Documentary
    - Performance
    - Digital media

4. An annotated bibliography is required for all entries. The bibliography should contain all primary and secondary sources used in preparing the entry. The annotations for each source must explain how the source was used and how it contributed to the project. The bibliography may be as long as necessary. When using Internet sources, students must link to the specific record used, not just the general website. We encourage students to work with Booth Library's reference librarians for assistance preparing the annotated bibliography. All entries will contain citations and bibliographic references that follow a standard format regardless of which style manual is used.

5. The use of Internet websites is acceptable; however, the Internet cannot be the only source.

6. All entries must be original works created or finished within the past 12 months. Plagiarism will result in disqualification.

7. All proposals submitted to Booth Library for the *Awards for Excellence in Student Research and Creativity* program will be used solely to judge the submission for the purpose of receiving an Award. Selected proposals will become a part of the Booth Library Student Research and Creativity Collection.

8. All entries must be accompanied by an entry form. Submit five copies of the entry form.

9. Prizes are awarded for excellence, and may or may not be given for a particular format category.

Jury

The Booth Library *Awards for Excellence in Student Research and Creativity* jury will consist of members of the Library Advisory Board, the Library Faculty, and other invited specialists.

Judging Criteria

The judges will select the award recipient(s) based on the following criteria:

1. Excellence
2. Creativity
3. Use of research resources

Applicant Checklist

As you prepare an entry for competition, use this summary as a checklist.

□ Did you document the research resources used in your entry?

□ Have you completed and included five copies of the entry form and narrative?

□ Did you meet the **April 1, 2010** deadline?

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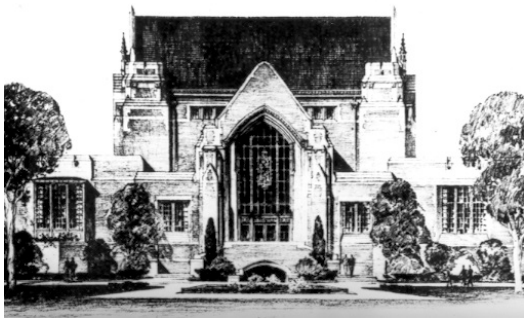

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2010 Entry Form

Name of student applicant:_____

If more than one entrant, attach a list and name a contact person:_____

Address:_____

Telephone: (___)_____ E-mail:_____

Title of entry: _____

Category: (check one)

- ☐ Written work
- ☐ Artistic work
- ☐ Exhibit
- ☐ Musical work
- ☐ Documentary
- ☐ Performance
- ☐ Digital media

☐ Other (please describe)_____

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