



Annual Library Research Review Competition

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For the past 23 years, the library has sponsored a Research Review Competition. Over 300 students have submitted research papers, with more than 60 winners. During 1994-95, Faculty Council began to co-sponsor the competition, providing U.S. Savings Bonds for all the winners.

Here's how the competition works: Students and faculty are invited to enter research papers via collegewide announcements. Reference librarians can provide additional information. Research papers may be submitted throughout the academic year, with an annual deadline in July. A faculty panel from various disciplines reviews, evaluates and selects winning papers. This year's deadline will be July 12.

Students who receive an "A" grade on a research paper for a course taken at LaGuardia during the current academic year are eligible to enter. The winning essay must demonstrate the ability to conduct a literature search, incorporate relevant sources, and effectively express the main idea or thesis. The research paper also must be accompanied by a "Works Cited" or "References" list, with at least three annotated sources.

All students who enter the competition receive a Certificate of Participation, which includes the president's signature. Competition winners receive an Outstanding Academic Certificate, as well as the following:

- First Place - \$100 U.S. Savings Bond
 - Second Place - \$75 U.S. Savings Bond
 - Third Place - \$50 U.S. Savings Bond
- Winners receive recognition at the annual Honors Night ceremony.

Official entry forms with rules are available at the reference desk in E-101. Submissions are made to the panel chair in the library. Students and faculty may contact members of the Research Review panel for additional information:

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Students participation, supported by faculty's collaborative efforts, has contributed to the success of this competition. Please join us in our efforts to promote excellent scholarship at LaGuardia.

LaGuardia Live Wire is produced by the Office of Marketing and Communications. Submissions are welcomed by e-mail at Livewire@lagcc.cuny.edu, by phone at extension 5060 or in person in room E-508.