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## CUNY Ethics and Morality Essay Contest: **Virtue**



2019 Winner  
**Stanley Lopez**

**Extended Submission Deadline:  
Monday, November 30, 2020**

*Open to all CUNY  
undergraduate and  
graduate students!*

### Prizes

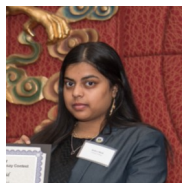
- **Best Essay (\$1,000)**
- **First Runner-up (\$300)**
- **Second Runner-up (\$200)**



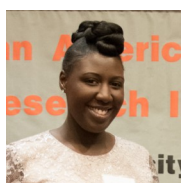
2017 Winner  
**Sharon Lee**  
Lehman College



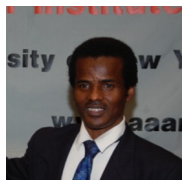
2018 Winner  
**Laura McIntyre**  
Kingsborough CC



2015 Winner  
**Radya Shaid**  
Lehman College



2016 Winner  
**Ferima Haidara**  
Lehman College



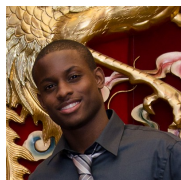
2013 Winner  
**Walter Marcus**  
LaGuardia CC



2014 Winner  
**Maria Mahin**  
Hunter College



2011 Winner  
**Sean McCormick**  
City College of NY



2012 Winner  
**Jesaiah Prayor**  
Queensborough CC

The goal of the Chynn CUNY Ethics and Morality Essay Contest is to stimulate college students to ponder the topic of morality, and to broadcast the best essays, in an attempt to promote the teaching of morality in American education.

In today's modern society, virtues have slowly begun to lose their importance, or oft forgotten, in the busy daily goings of people's lives. By recognizing the importance of virtues in our lives, it will lead to better communication, understanding, and acceptance between us and our fellow man.

Select one Virtue to discuss in detail.

### Seven Virtues

Prudence/Wisdom  
Justice  
Fortitude/Courage  
Temperance/Self-control  
Faith  
Hope  
Charity

### Five Constant Virtues

Ren (Benevolence, Love)  
Yi (Righteousness)  
Li (Propriety, Loyalty, Filial Piety, Chastity, Respect)  
Zhi (Wisdom)  
Xin (Integrity, Honesty, Fidelity)

Please incorporate all of the following points in your essay:

- Tell us about your own experience in practicing the Virtue you have chosen to write about and what personal reward or satisfaction have you gained from it.
- Why did you think the Virtue that you chose was an important one to practice in your life?
- What obstacles did you encounter in practicing this particular Virtue and how did you, or do you, still strive to overcome the difficulties?

Full rules and application available online.



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