



2021 Paul Simon Student Essay Contest

**Sponsored by the Writing Center
& the Department of English and Humanities**

**You could win up to
\$500**

Submission Guidelines

- Essay submissions must be typed, consist of fewer than 500 words, and address the topic **“How My Community College Changed My Life.”**
- Essays must be submitted as Microsoft Word files via email to Writing.Center@llcc.edu no later than **3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 19.**
- Submissions must include the student's name, address, phone number, and email address.
- Entries will be judged on style, clarity, and relevance with special emphasis on grammar and punctuation.
- Students are encouraged to schedule appointments in the Writing Center to review essays before submission.

LLCC Local Prizes

LLCC local prizes awarded courtesy of the LLCC Foundation and the LLCC Bookstore.

1st Place: \$75 gas card & assorted prizes from the LLCC Bookstore

2nd Place: \$25 gas card & assorted prizes from the LLCC Bookstore

3rd Place: assorted prizes from the LLCC Bookstore

State-Wide Prizes

LLCC's first place winner will be forwarded to the state-wide competition for the chance to win \$500 toward education expenses for the Fall 2021 semester and an honorary invitation to attend the Illinois Community College Association's award banquet on June 4, 2021.

Contact

For more information, contact the Writing Center at 217-786-2341.