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Crouse scholarships 2024–25

Professional Writing

Dept of English

Purdue University

cla.purdue.edu/academic/english/pw



Bonus content

*This may be the most boring
slide deck ever!*

(Blame Dilger)

**Deadline
extended
(a little)**

**Monday, February 19, 2024
11:00pm EST**



All on the web site

- + cla.purdue.edu/academic/english/pw
 - Undergraduate
 - [Scholarships](#)

*(for some reason this is not in
Google now; working on it)*

Awards available in 2024–25

- + Two undergraduate awards at \$5,000 each
 - o Writing & Publishing
 - o Technical Writing
- + No study abroad or internship awards this year
- + We hope to resume both in the future.

Application requirements

- + application letter
- + unofficial transcript (e.g. MyPurdue printout)
- + résumé
- + portfolio (two pieces)
- + email to dilger@purdue.edu as one PDF



**What makes
a good
application?**

Good letters of application

- + Keep it short: one page, single spaced
- + Make clear what award you are applying to
- + Include both generalities and specifics
- + Write about your potential – not just accomplishments
- + Print and proofread carefully

Good résumés

- + Keep it short: one page, >0.5" margins
- + Use common subheads – education, experience, skills, activities, awards – in the order that looks best for you
- + Drop personal pronouns; use active verbs
- + Be specific (dates, responsibilities, skills, etc)
- + Use a simple layout – avoid heavy use of graphics



Possible portfolio pieces

- + Class projects (English or otherwise)
- + Documents created for work or internships
- + Documents created for student organizations

What else should you do?

- + Start now!
- + Use the rubrics and consider the criteria
- + Consider making a “letterhead” for both résumé and letter
- + Use [CLA Career Center](#) resources
- + Go to the [Writing Lab](#) and get a peer review
- + Go to [CCO](#) and get an expert review
- + Print and proofread carefully



**Questions, then
work time**

**Questions later?
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