

SPRING 2021 FDI BOOK AWARD APPLICATION INSTRUCTION



“To suppress free speech is a double wrong. It violates the rights of the hearer as well as those of the speaker.”

EXTENDED DEADLINE: APRIL 22, 2021 at 11:59pm (EST)

Please read the instruction below carefully before you begin the application

The Frederick Douglass Institute at West Chester University of Pennsylvania invites applications for Frederick Douglass Institute Book Award (Two Awards at \$500 each). This book award is open to all full-time students in good academic standing. The Frederick Douglass Institute Book Award provides recipients with an annual stipend for textbooks. The Book Award pays tribute to the value that Douglass placed on education and human rights by presenting worthy recipients with financial support for the academic year. With each Book Award given, the spirit of Douglass stands alongside the recipient, passing on the key to freedom.

To be considered for the book award, you must:

- be a full-time student at WCU. Graduate students must be enrolled in a minimum of 9 credits, and 12 credits for undergraduate students
- Undergraduate students must have a cumulative G.P.A. of at least 2.75; Graduate students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5
- be in good academic standing; and,
- submit a completed application by **Wednesday, April 22, 2021**. Your application must be received not later than **11:59pm (EST)** of this date.

COMPLETED APPLICATION MUST HAVE

A biographical information about yourself focusing on your experiences, leadership, and contribution to social justice, equality and respect for diversity (maximum of 900 characters)

In the wake of the current social and political climate that has heightened racial tensions in America and in response to global protests; how do you envision your role as a concerned citizen in the United States of America in promoting social justice, equality, and respect for humanity?

Essay **MUST** be maximum of 3500 characters and **MUST** be submitted via the online application submission portal at https://www.wcupa.edu/_academics/Fdouglass/bookaward.aspx

If you have questions about this application, contact Dr. Francis Atuahene at fatuahene@wcupa.edu and use FDI Book Award in the subject line.