



National Achievement Program 2016-2017 Application

Each year, the Jewish War Veterans of the USA sponsors an essay contest for current service members and veterans who plan to attend or are currently attending an accredited Associates, Bachelor's, nursing, or graduate-degree program.

The National Achievement Program is open to anyone regardless of race, religion, creed, or culture. All veterans are eligible and must be legal residents of the USA.

The following grants will be awarded:

2	Charles Kosmutza Memorial Grants	\$2,500
		\$1,000
1	Max R. & Irene Rubenstein Memorial Grant	\$1,500
1	Leon Brooks Memorial Grant	\$1,000

Essays should be between 500-750 words. They must be written in English on an 8 ½ by 11 inch paper. Typed essays are preferred. Please read the question carefully to ensure that your essay covers **both** parts of the theme.

Applicants must also submit his or her most **recent** transcript (high school or college), a copy of a college acceptance letter, and proof of honorable military service, such as a copy of a DD-214, military ID card, etc.

Please send all pieces of the application, including **this page**, to jwv@jwv.org with the subject line: National Achievement Program.

Due Date: May 30, 2017

Essay Theme: **What was your military experience AND how will that military experience help you pursue your academic studies?**

Please complete the following information:

Student Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Year in School: _____ Email: _____

School Name: _____

School City/State: _____



National Achievement Program Committee Rules

- A. All essay submissions must be postmarked or emailed by **May 30, 2017**.
- B. The National Achievement Program Committee is responsible for judging all essays at the annual National Convention.
- C. The National Achievement Program Committee will select one essay for each grant based on the following criteria:
 - 25% Logic and coherence of the essay's organization
 - 25% Description of relevant military experience
 - 50% Answering both pieces of the essay question clearly and fully