

AARCC ESSAY CONTEST

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The Kamal Kishore Kapur Memorial Prize is awarded annually to an undergraduate student at UIC for an essay sharing a perspective on Asian American experiences. The Prize encourages student engagement with social and political issues as a way to create new ways of knowing and being that will transform our community.

Essay Prompt: “A Day Without AARCC”

Write a 350-word essay on “A Day Without AARCC.” This year, in honor of its fifth anniversary, the essay topic is specific to AARCC. Any UIC student is encouraged to write on this topic whether you have been actively involved with AARCC or not. Essays will be judged for originality and strong writing. Creative approaches, personal experiences, and expressions of diverse viewpoints that reflect a UIC perspective are all highly encouraged.

Prize Information: \$150 1st prize; \$100 2nd prize; and other prizes for Honorable Mention

Deadline: Monday, March 1, 2010 by 5pm

Submission guidelines: Send entry by email to: aarcc@uic.edu

- Please include a separate cover sheet with name, brief biographical background (2-sentences), address, phone number, email address, and the title of the essay; do not put your name on the essay itself.
- Essay with title at the top (but no name). Format: 12-point font, 1” margins, single-spaced
- Contest entries may be published in *AARCCConnections* newsletter

Eligibility:

- Any currently registered undergraduates at UIC are eligible to enter. You **do not** have to be of Asian descent.
- Current and past AARCC staff or members of the AARCC Advisory Board are not permitted to submit entries.

Judging committee is comprised of UIC faculty, staff, and students from the Asian American Resource and Cultural Center, AARCC Advisory Board, Asian American Studies, and the Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Asian Americans.

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