

The Institute of Biological Engineering
Announces the
2009-2010
Bioethics Essay Contest

for undergraduate and graduate students

Submit a 1000 to 1200 word, original essay on the following bioethics topic by October 15, 2009, to be part of this year's contest.

TOPIC: "In the context of synthetic biology, how should the public's concerns regarding safety and ethics be heard and integrated?"

Five semifinalists will be selected and invited by January 7, 2010, to read their winning essays at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the Institute of Biological Engineering (IBE) to be held March 4-6, 2010, in Cambridge, MA. The final ranking of the essay will be determined after the reading of the essays at the Annual Meeting. The top three winners will receive cash awards of \$150 for first place, \$100 for second place, and \$75 for third place. The first place essay will be reviewed for publication in the *Journal of Biological Engineering*, the official journal of IBE.

Entries should be submitted in Word or PDF format to the following email address: essay@ibe.org Undergraduate and graduate students may enter the contest. By submitting, you are agreeing to attend the 2010 IBE Annual Meeting and provide your own travel expenses if you are selected as a semifinalist. IBE will provide complimentary Annual Meeting registration for all five semifinalists. All essays must include title, author's full name, program of study, degree you are seeking, name of the institution, daytime telephone number, email address, and mailing address.

Entries will be submitted to a plagiarism-checking service. IBE reserves the right to disqualify any entry judged as non-original or any entry over 1200 words. All winning essays will become the property of IBE. IBE is not responsible for any possible difficulties in submission. Only winners will be notified of results.

Register for the 2010 IBE annual meeting at: www.ibe.org

Registration for the meeting will begin in October.

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