Mark M. Welter World Citizen Award Announcement
2019 Fall Semester

LeadMN is seeking from the Minnesota State colleges and universities nominations for the Mark M. Welter World Citizen Award for the 2019 Fall Semester.

Twenty $500 awards (only one per institution) will be given to Minnesota State students who exemplify an understanding of the interconnected nature of the world, its nations and all people.

On the nomination form, there is a special section (highlighted in yellow) for the nominator to tell us what made their student so deserving of this nomination (3-5 sentences). Thank you! Several students will be highlighted in LeadMN's Annual Report:

The timeline for this award is:

- **Thursday, September 5, 2019**: Announcement electronically sent to Minnesota State colleges and universities.

- **Friday, November 1, 2019, noon**: Deadline for nominations emailed to Michael Dean at ed@leadmn.org.

- **Monday, November 4, 2019**: Announce electronically through LeadMN’s Association Update the award recipients selected by colleges/universities (up to 20 awards). Recipients will receive a congratulatory letter and the nominators will be copied.

- **Friday, November 9, 2019**: Award checks disbursed to the college/university where student recipients attend.

**NOTE**: The 20 awards will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis based on the time/date stamp of the email submission.

Ideally, students selected will share some or all the following beliefs/commitments:

- All people are of a common species that share a common adventure in a common home.
- The world shares common problems (pollution, terrorism, challenges) but views them through differing cultural and religious value perspectives.
- All citizens of planet Earth mutually share an interconnected, fragile biosphere.
- All people-All cultures, all creeds, all colors, and all countries--have been “depositors and with drawers at the world bank of knowledge.”
• Our world is increasingly, inexorably, and undeniably interdependent.
• No one nation, people, religion, or creed can unilaterally deal with contemporary challenges of pollution, population, poverty, pandemics, and peace.

Selection Criteria: Minnesota State faculty and staff will select award candidates for the Mark M. Welter World Citizen Award.
• Up to twenty (20) awards will be possible for each academic session.
• No more than one (1) winner per college or university.
• Each award will be in the amount of $500.
• Have graduated from high school prior to entering a Minnesota State college or university; are in good academic standing and demonstrate financial need.
• PSEO students are ineligible for this award.
• A student cannot be nominated and receive this award more than once.
• Student must be in good academic standing and demonstrate financial need.
• The selection criteria will be shared simultaneously with Minnesota State faculty and staff and will be maintained in LeadMN’s file. Awards will be given on the first-come basis until the maximum of 20 awards is reached.
• An unlimited number of awards is not offered.
• LeadMN will notify the Mark M. Welter Family Foundation of the awardees.

Process: Each college or university will determine its own selection process (e.g., staff recommendation, interview, essay, etc.). An essay is not required. Each of the 37 Minnesota State colleges-30/universities-7 may forward one nominated student name to Michael Dean at ed@leadmn.org by noon on Friday, November 1, 2019. Awards will be given on the first-come basis until the maximum of 20 awards is reached.

Please use the attached nomination form when submitting the completed form and email the form to ed@leadmn.org.