

# NEDAASC

## 2011 ESSAY COMPETITION

### ESSAY TOPIC:

***“Role of alumni in promoting excellence at NED University”***

The purpose of this essay competition is to allow the imagination of the students of NED University to share their ideas how to transform NED to a preeminent research institution of engineering and technology in the world.

### CALENDER:

**May 24, 2011** - Launch of the essay competition

**September 30, 2011** – Deadline for submitting the essay for consideration in the competition

**December 31, 2011** – Announce the results of the essay competition

### WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

The essay competition is open to all currently enrolled undergraduate students of NED University of Engineering and Technology in good standing. This is an individual competition. Submission from organizations or essay authored by more than one student will not be accepted. Students may not submit multiple entries.

### LENGTH AND FORMAT

The maximum length of the essay must not exceed 2000 words. The essay must be 1.5 line-spaced using Times Roman 12 Font. It is permissible to use Figures and charts as part of the essay. All essays must include a one page abstract. An abstract is a short summary that describes its contents and conclusions.

All essays and abstract submitted for the competition must be in **English language**. Any essay submitted in any language other than English will be rejected.

### JUDGING CRITERIA:

A Panel of judges nominated by the NEDAASC Board of Directors would review all the essays received by the deadline. Any essay received after the deadline will not be considered in the competition. The winning essays will be selected based on the quality of writing, originality of the idea, practicality of the recommendation/conclusion and other factors. The decision of the judges will be final and cannot be appealed.

### AWARDS

The following prizes will be awarded to the top three ranked essays:

First Place: Rs 35,000

Second Place: Rs 25,000

Third Place: Rs 15,000

The result of the essay competition will be announced on December 31, 2011.

**How to submit?** All essays must be submitted to the Controller Student Affairs, NED University of Engineering and Technology both electronically and by hard copy. Any essay submitted directly either electronically or by mail to NEDAASC will not be eligible in the competition.

## **RULES**

1. The deadline for submitting the essay to be eligible in the competition is 5 P.M. September 30, 2011 (Pakistan Standard time). All essays must be submitted both electronically and by hard copy to Controller Student Affairs, NED University of Engineering and Technology.
2. All essays must include the student's name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, registration/roll number, year and Department. Any essay submitted without this information may be rejected.
3. All essays must be written individually. Essay submitted with multiple authors will be rejected.
4. The competition is open to all currently enrolled undergraduate students of NED University of Engineering and Technology in good standing. Students enrolled in the graduate program (master's, doctoral) are not eligible to participate in the competition.
5. The maximum length of the essay cannot exceed 2000 words. Any essay that exceeds the maximum limit may be disqualified from the competition. The essay must be 1.5 line-spaced using Times Roman 12 font. It is permissible to use Figures and charts as part of the essay.
6. Essays must be written in English language. Any essay submitted in any language other than English will be rejected.
7. Each essay must be accompanied by an abstract (maximum one page). Any essay submitted without an abstract may be disqualified.
8. All essays will be blind reviewed. References which might reveal the author's identity is discouraged.
9. Quotes and references must be clearly marked throughout the essay and properly cited.
10. All essays must be the original work of the student. No previously published material will be accepted. Any evidence of plagiarism will result in automatic disqualification.
11. All essays must be prepared using a word-processing program (check for grammar and spelling).
12. NEDAASC reserves the right to publish and/or to make available to the media any essay submitted for the competition including the winning essays.
13. The decision of the judges will be final and cannot be appealed.
14. For questions regarding the essay competition, please send all enquiries to [syedshariqraza@hotmail.com](mailto:syedshariqraza@hotmail.com).