

# **NCCC Scholarship Essay**

*Only write 1 two page type-written essay for all of the scholarships you are applying for. Make sure to address any additional criteria needed within the essay for the scholarships that you are eligible for.*

The most important feature of your essay is the subject matter.  
When you begin to brainstorm subject ideas consider the following points:

- It's about YOU! This is your chance to explain yourself to the scholarship Committee.
- Describe your career goals and events that helped get you where you are today.
- Incorporate volunteer, community, or extracurricular activities that you have been involved with in addition to internships or jobs if relevant.
- Outline your specific interests related to your program.
- If you've had to overcome adversity, talk about it, but don't exaggerate. What was the most difficult time in your life, and why and how it changed your life as a result.
- Explain why you need financial assistance and what you would do with the scholarship money if awarded.
- Have a compelling conclusion thanking the committee for their time, etc.
- Use good grammar \* double check your spelling \* Proofread!
- Have someone else proofread!