

## **Mark M. Welter World Citizen Award Announcement**

The MSCSA is seeking college/university nominations for the Mark M. Welter World Citizen Award.

Twenty \$500 awards (one per institution) will be given to Minnesota State Colleges and Universities students who exemplify an understanding of the interconnected nature of the world, its nations and all people; who are in good academic standing; and who demonstrate financial need.

### **Selection Criteria**

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

- All people are of a common species who 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.

### **Process**

Each college or university will determine its own selection process (e.g., staff recommendation, interview, essay, etc.). Each of the 31 MnSCU colleges/universities may forward one nominated student name to Michael Dean (via email) by **noon on October 15**.

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**NOTE:** The 20 awards will be granted on a first come, first served basis based on the time/date stamp of the email submission. Once the first 20 nominations are received, the nomination period will be closed.