Three awards of $300 each will be offered this term for excellent expository writing in a First-Year Writing Seminar. Honorable mentions, if any, will receive $100. Publication of winning essays in Discoveries is also possible.

- The Elmer Markham Johnson prize is given in memory of Elmer Markham Johnson, who taught freshman English at Cornell and served as Chancellor of Telluride House.
- The generosity of the Adelphic Cornell Educational Fund allows us to offer two James E. Rice, Jr. ’30 Awards. Judge Rice, a leader in civic and philanthropic activities in Tompkins County for over fifty years, was a student of Elmer Markham Johnson.

To be eligible for an award, an essay must have been written in response to a teacher’s assignment. The essay should, of course, be fully intelligible to a reader not familiar with the assignment or the course, and it must include all appropriate documentation.

Please note:
- Any student in any First-Year Writing Seminar is eligible to enter, at the invitation of his or her instructor.
- Only two entries can be submitted from each class.
- Each paper should be typed and should include the author’s name and local address, and the name of the instructor and course.
- A complete and accurate list of all sources (including images), in an accepted documentation format, must be included.
- The essay must be accompanied by a copy of the assignment that elicited it. Please do not staple.

Submissions are due in 101 McGraw Hall by Friday, December 19. No exceptions can be made.

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Fall 2014 Elmer Markham Johnson Prize and James E. Rice, Jr. Prize Application

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Instructor’s name______________________________

Department _______ Course # and title ________________________________

Student’s name __________________________ College _______________________

Local address __________________________ Local telephone __________________________ Class of __________

Local telephone __________________________ Email (Cornell and/or otherwise) __________________________

Home address (street, city, state, zip) ____________________________________________

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Home telephone __________________________ Student ID Number __________________________

Should I win a prize, I give the John S. Knight Institute permission to publish, quote from, and/or distribute copies of my essay, and to distribute publicity to newspapers and other publications, local and/or national, about my winning the prize. I am prepared to send electronic versions of my text (not a PDF, but an editable text document) to Donna O’Hora (dlo1@cornell.edu) in the Knight Institute. I understand that I will receive the award for my prize winning essay upon submission of the electronic text.

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Title of Essay

Student’s signature __________ Date __________

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