

2009 Young Scholars Summer Program

Application Essay

The Clarkson University Young Scholars Program is seeking qualified candidates for a weeklong summer residential program focused on integrating engineering, business and moral/ethical principles to solve an assigned group problem. We will enroll 40 students.

YSP challenges students to make full use of their intellectual gifts and to develop their creative, analytical, problem-solving, communication, and leadership skills. The program requires that students tackle a topic that has no defined answer. Our format allows students to be creative and to look at the assigned problem from a variety of perspectives before deciding on a course of action.

We seek students who:

- Love learning
- Are intellectually curious
- Can work collaboratively with others
- Are highly motivated
- Can handle risk and uncertainty
- Have a good work ethic
- Or have other outstanding qualities that qualify them for the program

Write an essay of approximately 250-300 words that demonstrates in what ways you possess one or more of these qualities. We prefer essays that deal with a few qualities to those that try to cover all of the above-mentioned qualities.