The Roger Noll Prize for Best Undergraduate Paper in Sports Economics

The Economics Department at West Virginia University is pleased to announce the third annual Roger Noll Prize for Best Undergraduate Paper in Sports Economics. The purpose of the Noll Prize is to recognize and encourage empirical undergraduate scholarship in sports economics.

Roger Noll’s pioneering work in sports economics, including research on attendance and price setting, intercollegiate athletics, and the public subsidization of professional sports facilities, had a vast influence on research in the field. His book *Government and the Sports Business* (1974) was the first systematic treatment of sports economics and government regulation.

**Prize**

The winner will receive $1,000 and the opportunity to visit Morgantown West Virginia to present their work in a research seminar. Travel expenses up to $500 and accommodations will be provided.

**Eligibility**

The contest is open to all current undergraduate students and recent graduates who graduated in April 2019 or later.

**Rules**

Papers must be the sole and original work of the entrant and not previously published. They should be in the format of a scholarly paper using any standard citation format. We expect that papers will be the result of coursework or a senior theses and thus may reflect the insights and assistance of a faculty mentor. Papers shorter than 4,000 words or longer than 12,000 words will be excluded from consideration. Make sure to include word count information on the title page of your submission.

**Submission**

Essays should be submitted to Joshua Hall via email at joshua.hall@mail.wvu.edu in .pdf format by December 20th, 2019. Questions about the contest can be directed to Joshua Hall or Brad Humphreys (brad.humphreys@mail.wvu.edu).

**Winner**

The winner will be notified by January 15th, 2020.