

[NATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST]

Objective

The objective of this award is to encourage authorship by members of the society, as well as celebrate and commemorate the 75th anniversary of the society.

Award Criteria

Entrants must be members in good standing of the American Society of Military Comptrollers at the time of submission and selection.

- Essays may not be previously published articles.
- Essays must be written on one of the following topics:
 - How has being an ASMC member benefitted you, either personally, or in your career?
 - What are some of the most significant changes that ASMC has made since you've been a member? Which one added the most value to ASMC members?
 - How does ASMC specifically benefit Early Careerists? Feel free to include real-life examples.
 - 2023 is ASMC's 75th anniversary. What changes in the organization would you like to see over the next several years? How would such changes benefit ASMC and its members?
- Essays must be 500 1000 words.

How to Submit an Essay

Essays must be submitted using the web-based form at asmconline.org. Essays may be submitted by an ASMC chapter representative or by the author directly.

Deadline

All essays must be submitted via the ASMC Awards Online website not later than March 31 to be considered by the selection panel. There is no exception to this deadline.

Award Selection Procedures

A selection panel chaired by a member of the Awards Committee will make final recommendations to the ASMC National Executive Committee, who will approve final award winners. The selection panel will include not less than four members representing a cross section of ASMC Membership. A judge must recuse him/herself if a conflict of interest exists.

Essays will be judged on adherence to topic (how well does the essay meet the contest topic), clarity and readability (how well does the essay flow and is it understandable), content (is the essay original and does it contain substantial content) and general administration (length, grammar, spelling, sentence structure, punctuation).

Recognition

Winners of the Jubilee edition of the Essay Award may have their essays published in the *Armed Forces Comptroller* magazine and/or the ASMC website. Up to four winners will be selected from qualified essays. Distinguished winners receive \$750 and meritorious winners receive \$250. A completed W-9 will be required before disbursement of the award check(s) to the winners.

For More Information

National Awards Committee Rules and submission website: https://asmc.secure-platform.com/a Contact email: awards@asmconline.org