



Application Form for Astronomy Freshman Prizes For Excellence

The Astronomy Freshman Prizes for Excellence (AFPE) typically range from \$500 to \$1000 per student and will be awarded yearly to freshmen of outstanding promise admitted to the first year of the UT Astronomy program. The AFPE awards are given through the Astronomy Department Excellence Funds.

The winners will be selected from the pool of students who applied for the prize and who are admitted to UT by the Admissions Office. The winner will be notified in late April/Early May. Students selected will benefit from mentoring by individual faculty members who will assist them in achieving long-term success.

To apply, please answer the questions below and email this form back by **April 1, 2016** to our student coordinator at the address below. Feel free to use extra pages if necessary. **We encourage you to apply early!** The selection committee will have access to all the materials (e.g., scores, transcripts, UT application form, etc) that you submitted to the UT Admissions office, so there is no need to resubmit these.

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After we receive your application, you will receive a confirmation email. If you do not receive the email or have any questions, please contact our student coordinator.

1. Please fill in the information below:

Name: _____

UT EID: _____

Email address: _____

Phone numbers: _____

2. Why do you wish to pursue a degree in Astronomy and why have you chosen to apply to the UT Astronomy program? (Max: 300 words)

3. Why do you think you deserve the Astronomy Freshman Prize For Excellence? Please describe relevant achievements, activities, and any special factors that you might wish us to consider. (Max: 350 words)