**Essay Contest for Constitution Day at UK**

Negative campaign advertisements fill media outlets once again. Do you find yourself wishing campaign advertisements contained only truthful, accurate information to better help voters make decisions? Voice your opinion about this issue and enter a chance to win $500!

This Essay Contest is part of the celebration of Constitution Day 2015 on September 17\textsuperscript{th}. See more at [www.uky.edu/UGE/constitution-day](http://www.uky.edu/UGE/constitution-day). This contest is open to all UK undergraduate students. It is sponsored by the UK Office of the President, the Division of Undergraduate Education, and the Scripps Howard First Amendment Center.

The 2015 race for governor is well under way, and as was to be expected, the TV advertising offers a lot more heat than light. In other words, voters are learning less about the issues and witnessing more of the dirt the candidates are shoveling at each other.

Your essay should not exceed 750 words and must address two questions:

1. Should the General Assembly pass a law before the 2019 state elections requiring candidates to abstain from using half-truths and lies in their advertising so that voters can be better informed on the important issues facing the state?
2. Would such a law survive a court test?

See more details about the contest rules in Canvas ([https://uk.instructure.com/enroll/8E383D](https://uk.instructure.com/enroll/8E383D)). Post your entry no later than **11:59 p.m. Friday, September 18.**

Winners will receive a cash prize and honorable mentions will receive a hardback copy of Richard Labunski, *James Madison and the Struggle for the Bill of Rights* (Oxford University Press, 2006).

- **First prize:** $500
- **Second prize:** $300
- **Third prize:** $200

Announcement of the winners and presentation of the prizes will be made during the Scripps Howard First Amendment Celebration, 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 29\textsuperscript{th} in the William T. Young Library Auditorium.