

# National Spanish Exams Senior Scholarships



*Pursuant to its mission, the National Spanish Examination (NSE), a program of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP), is committed to recognizing student achievement and promoting language proficiency in the study of Spanish. To this end, NSE will offer to 2018 graduates TWELVE (12) scholarships of \$2000, and FORTY EIGHT (48) scholarships of \$1000.*

## ELIGIBILITY

For the 2018 scholarships, applicants **MUST**:

- Be a 2018 graduating senior
- Have scored at or above the 75th percentile on the 2017 NSE - Level III or above
- Have scored at or above the 75th percentile on the 2018 NSE - Level IV or above

**NOTE:** (1) Only ONE student per school may apply. (Teachers at participating schools must select the applicant from their own school.) Students may also apply for scholarships from SHH, NSE's sister organization, but may only be awarded a scholarship from ONE of the AATSP programs.

(2) If a student does not attend university during the fall semester following graduation from high school, the scholarship will be forfeited, and another student will be awarded the scholarship. The scholarship may not be postponed to another year.

## SELECTION

All applications must be sent electronically to [lmikenas@nationalspanishexam.org](mailto:lmikenas@nationalspanishexam.org) by May 15, 2018. The proposals will be reviewed in June and July and the recipient will be notified around August 1, 2018.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applicants should fill out the application form and include with it **the following items**:

1. A standard **video clip** in Spanish in which you:
  - discuss with your teacher your plans for using Spanish in your future career
  - are spontaneous and conversational in tone and are the dominant speaker
  - speak with your teacher a maximum of 5 minutes without stopping the recording
2. One **persuasive essay** in Spanish of no more than two typewritten, double-spaced pages in which you discuss ONE of the following topics:
  - Debate whether technology is making people more or less creative.
  - Discuss whether kneeling during the national anthem is an appropriate way to protest. (Sponsor, please sign the essay to certify that it is exclusively student work.)
3. High School **transcript** (with 7 semesters of grades)
4. List of **Extra-curricular activities**.

All items should be sent electronically to [lmikenas@nationalspanishexam.org](mailto:lmikenas@nationalspanishexam.org). The subject line should read: Senior Scholarship Applicant – Student's Name. The video should be uploaded to YouTube. The application form (below), essay, transcript and list of extra-curricular activities should be scanned and attached to the email as separate **PDF** attachments, and the email should include the link to the video clip.

STUDENT INFORMATION					
Student's Name:					
Street Address:					
City:		State:		Zip:	
Telephone:					
Student's e-mail address: *See note below*					
(circle one) - I took the following exam in 2018:		Spanish IV	Spanish V	Spanish VI	
(circle one) – Category:		Regular	Outside Experience	Bilingual	

SCHOOL & TEACHER INFORMATION					
Name of School:					
Street Address:					
City:		State:		Zip:	
Type of School: (circle one)	Public	Private	Independent		
Teacher's name:					
Teacher's e-mail address:					
Teacher's home telephone:					

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION	
Name of University you will be attending	
Projected major area of study	
Projected minor area of study	
Other information about your university studies the scholarship committee might find useful in evaluating your application	

**NOTE:** Student's email address needs to be one that will be active over the summer.