

Cash prizes for the 2009 Earthzine Student Essay Contest

Earthzine invites undergraduate and graduate students from around the world to submit an essay for the **2009 Student Essay Competition: Sustainability through Earth Observation and Engineering**. *Earthzine*, an online environmental journal, is encouraging students to creatively examine the benefits that new technological systems in Earth observation and engineering can have on sustainability.

Students should submit essays by **October 17** that follow one of the two dominant themes in sustainability: **social equity** and **environmental protection**. Essays should also be related to one or more of [Earthzine's](#) focal topics that support the nine GEOSS societal benefit areas.

Finalists will lead a blog about their essay and participate in blogs of competing essays from November 15-December 15. Winners will be determined based on the quality of the essay and the quality of the blog. Winners will be announced on *Earthzine* on December 21 **Prizes sponsored by the IEEE Foundation are: first place (\$500 USD), second place (\$250 USD), and third place (\$150 USD).**

Queries and final essays should be sent to David Mullins, Ph.D., Associate Education Editor, at any time (dmullins@sf.edu). **Check for more information on *Earthzine*.**