**STUDENT SPEAKER APPLICATION**

Student speaker applications are being accepted through February 15, 2019 for the Spring 2019 Commencement Ceremony on May 11, 2019. The individual selected will be asked to deliver a speech no longer than four minutes at the ceremony. Once selected, the student will work with a mentor to perfect and practice their speech leading up to commencement.

**Qualifications:**

* Complete and submit the application form by February 15, 2019.
* Candidates must be a 2019 graduating senior (spring, summer or fall).
* Candidates will submit their application to [jamurray@wsu.edu](mailto:jamurray@wsu.edu) or drop them off at the student services lobby in room 110 C.

**Selection Process:**

* Review of applications will start late February.
* Once applications have been reviewed by the selection committee, students will be notified through their WSU email on what to do next.

**Here are some guidelines:**

* Tell a story: talk about personal success, such as struggles ending in triumph or momentous decisions and life-changing experiences that led you to where you are today.
* Be flexible, open-minded and available: the selected speech will likely go through revisions for final polish and we’ll take the time to coach the winner on being an effective public speaker.
* Relax: be yourself, sincere and organized!

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Full Name:

Major:

Minor (if applicable):

WSU Email: Telephone:

Please note that your response to these questions are NOT contingent on your likelihood of being selected. Answer the following questions below and use additional paper if needed.

1. In the space below, please describe why you are qualified to be the student speaker for the graduating class of 2019?
2. Please submit a paragraph or two detailing the main focal points of your commencement speech. The student speaker selection is based on uniqueness and motivational aspects.