

Application to the 2017 Judgeship of the University of Chicago Scavenger Hunt

Part 0: Instructions for Submission

The application consists of two parts: a sample list and your answers to a series of questions. Each should be submitted as a separate attachment (preferably Word documents) in a single e-mail, sent to judgeapps2017@gmail.com by Saturday, October 29, 11:59 p.m. In your sample list, please exclude **any and all** obvious identifying information. In the body of your email, please provide your name, your preferred pronouns, year in the University, e-mail address, phone number, and physical address.

Part I: Sample List

Please submit an **anonymous** list of thirty (30) sample items. While composing your list, please maintain the utmost secrecy. If you are chosen for the Judgeship, these sample items may become part of the next List. Please keep in mind that, while we think our own items are excellent, your list will be judged solely on its own merits; items that are repetitions of past Lists count as the bad kind of sycophancy, since we don't get to see your Scav mind at work. Please note that it is not necessary to assign point values for your items, unless you feel that a pointing scheme is critical for our understanding of your intent.

Part II: Background Information

In your second document, please submit brief responses to the following prompts.

1. Describe your past Scav Hunt experience in one hundred words or fewer.
2. Answer Question 2b or not2b:
 - 2b. Why does Scav Hunt exist?
 - not2b. How would you like to see Scav Hunt grow and change over the next few years, if at all?
3. There ain't no party like a [YOUR NAME HERE] party, 'cause a [YOUR NAME HERE] party _____.
4. The first time my heart was broken was when I realized that all colors of Froot Loops® tasted the same. Break my heart again.
5. What was your favorite item from the Scav List in 2016? What is an item you feel didn't belong on the List? Why?
6. Please give brief critiques (2 sentences or fewer) of the following items. If you think an item is perfect, explain why.
 - a. We built this dinghy
We built this dinghy from Totino's® Pizza Rolls®.
 - b. Carly Rae Jepsen's Malört.
 - c. The University doesn't believe in 'safe spaces'; SO WHERE DO THEY KEEP THEIR MONEY??
Dig holes on the Quad 'til you find it.
 - d. Mumblety-peg?! More like Mumblety-KEG!
 - e. This means WAR! No, like the card game. Send your best to Ida for a tournament.
 - f. A palanquin. Must be used to carry a Judge from event to event.
7. From the items listed in Question 6, select three and improve them. Describe briefly why your way is better.