



STORY SUBMISSION GUIDELINES & weareYOU Honor Code

The mission of **weareYOU** (WAY) is to uplift, empower, and connect the next generation of college-goers, whoever they may be, with the promise a college education makes possible. No matter how far you've come on your own college journey, you already said "Yes" to that.

Share your story about what it was like for you when you were on your college choice journey. Who stood in your way, what frightened you, how were you challenged? It may have been your parents, your finances, your passions, or your test scores. What did you do to get past it, to breakthrough?

No matter what you may think about it, chances are someone on a college choice journey today is facing something like it. Your story could change her mind, give him hope, help them dream. No hero is perfect. It's your cracks that make you human, and your humanness that makes you relatable.

Because it helps to start with a prompt, we have one that's straight-forward. The rest will flow from your honest and genuine answer to it.

- **In one word, college means to me...?**

As long as you stay true, your tale will conclude naturally with a simple yet powerful coda. We ask that you complete your story with it.

- **"My name is _____, and I AM YOU."**

Safe messaging is a priority at **weareYOU**. We may discontinue or decline to share submitted video or written content for reasons including but not limited to:

- It contains offensive, vulgar or violent content.
- It is perceived as being insensitive or biased against members of the community.
- It misrepresents data about pursuing a college education.

weareYOU Honor Code

I pledge to:

- *respect and uphold the rights and dignity of others regardless of race, color, national or ethnic origin, sex, age, disability, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or socioeconomic status;*
- *uphold the integrity of weareYOU as a community in which free speech that respects the rights and security of others is available to all and intellectual honesty is demanded of all;*
- *represent myself truthfully and accurately to the weareYOU community.*