

As the online version of the Northwest Student Writing Anthology was being put together, the copyeditors knew that a portfolio of composition papers, or something similar, would be beneficial to students. That is where Jee Min Lee came in. She had five essays accepted to the NSWA from Composition 110 and 111, and has shown that, with a little work, the transition to college as a freshmen can be done pretty smoothly...did I mention that Lee is from South Korea???

It is understandable that some freshmen have a difficult time adjusting to college, but Lee has done it with flying colors. It may have helped that her sister who was a transfer student from Cornell paved the way for her coming to Northwest Missouri State. Lee says her sister had only good things to say, "(Lee's sister said) the programs were good, professors are really nice, and it's a really good place to learn new cultures."

Lee is happy to be studying at Northwest, and felt fortunate to have her writing included. "I thought, 'Why not? I mean, if I'd luckily get chosen that'd be great.'"

And when she found out that she would be published in the book and online, her excitement level rose. "I was like, 'Wow!' It's an honor. I never expected my writing to be picked."

Lee is going into the science field looking to focus in environmental science. It may be a far cry from the Composition classes that she wrote her paper for that got published, but it is still a confidence booster for Lee as she pursues other endeavors.