



Writing Prizes

The Lehman College English Department writing competitions are open to all undergraduate and graduate students. Winners get a check – most prizes start at \$50. Submit your academic and creative work to as many competitions as you wish. Submit early to beat the rush! Deadline for all completed submissions is February 29, 2016.

THE COMPETITIONS

THE BERNARD L. EINBOND MEMORIAL PRIZE

is awarded for the best work of prose fiction (short story or novel).
Open to: Undergraduates exclusively.

THE GRACE C. CROFF MEMORIAL PRIZE

is awarded for the best poem or group of poems.
Open to: Undergraduates exclusively.

THE JACOB HAMMER MEMORIAL PRIZE

is awarded for the best work of dramatic writing (play or screenplay).
Open to: Undergraduates exclusively.

THE ALICE MINNIE HERTZ HENIGER PRIZE

is awarded for the best work of creative writing (poetry, fiction, drama).
Open to: Graduate students exclusively.

THE PAUL AGOSTA PRIZE

is awarded for the best work of professional writing (business writing, technical writing, creative nonfiction, and/or work published by the Lehman College newspaper, *Meridian*).
Open to: Undergraduates exclusively.

THE CLAIRE GIEGERICH MEMORIAL PRIZE

is awarded for the best creative nonfiction essay on any subject.
Open to: Undergraduates exclusively. Essay may not be submitted for Hess or Melville prizes.

THE TERRY DE ANTONIO MEMORIAL PRIZE

is awarded for the best piece of written art criticism (e.g., film, music, theater, dance, and fine art).
Open to: Undergraduates and graduate students.

THE WILLIAM C. HESS MEMORIAL PRIZE

is awarded for the best critical essays in the field of English, American, or English-language literature requiring scholarly research and/or the application of literary theory.
Open to: Undergraduates and graduate students. Two prizes, one undergraduate, one graduate, each with full monetary award. Essay may not be submitted for the Giegerich prize.

THE HERMAN MELVILLE PRIZE

is awarded for the best critical essay in the field of English, American, or English-language literature.
Open to: Undergraduates exclusively. Essay may not be submitted for the Giegerich prize.

THE PATRICIA A. COCKRAM SCHOLARSHIP PRIZE

is awarded for the strongest portfolio of academic work written for English Department classes during the most recent calendar year (two 2015 semesters).

Open to: Undergraduates exclusively. A portfolio consists of 4-6 pieces of academic writing in one or more genres prefaced by a brief introductory statement. Students must obtain instructor/advisor signature to ensure appropriate content/presentation of work for this major prize.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR WORK

Please follow these easy instructions. Entries that are not formatted properly will not be eligible for consideration.

Log on to the website www.lehmancollege.submittable.com and create a login account. Click on the award to which you are submitting writing and fill out all the required information. (You may submit writing to multiple prizes.) You will be asked to provide your name and contact information (including EMPLID, private email address, and cell number) in separate fields on the Submittable website.

Attach your work as a Word or PDF file. Your name must NOT appear anywhere on the attachment that you submit. Don't worry: the submissions roster will help the Department notify all winners.

Submissions may be uploaded any time between January 1 and February 29, 2016.

At the top of your attached document, you MUST include the title of your work but NOT your name or any other identifying information.

Submissions must be ERROR-FREE. Proofread your work!

The deadline for submissions is FEBRUARY 29, 2016. Paper applications will not be accepted.

Prize-winners (only) will be notified of their awards by April 15, 2016.

DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

In addition to its many prizes for writing competitions, the English Department has several awards for academic excellence, including overall achievement at the BA and MA levels, academic excellence on the part of undergraduates heading into graduate study, best work in Shakespeare studies, most promising sophomore and junior majors, the strongest student switching careers to major in English, overall excellence in professional writing, and the most significant progress as an English major.

THE ENGLISH AWARDS CEREMONY

Departmental writing prizes and academic awards, along with English honors for qualifying students, are presented at the English Awards Ceremony, which will take place in the rotunda of the Lehman College Art Gallery at noon on May 4, 2016. Family and friends will be welcome and a light lunch will be served.

Further information can be obtained at the English Department office:

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