Committee.

The Expository Program Essay Awards are given for essays written in Expository Writing I and II during the award’s academic year. All essays that are submitted before the award deadline to Prairie Lights, the Expository Writing Program’s annual publication of student writing, will be considered. Students should follow the submission guidelines that can be found on the last page of this year’s Prairie Lights. The first prize winner will receive a cash award of $50; second prize winner will receive $25. Additional essays may be singled-out for commendation. Committee: Knoblauch, Faculty of the Expository Writing Committee.

The Clark M. Brink Memorial Essay Awards are two awards given for student essays exhibiting “the highest degree of originality of composition and excellence in handling a topic treating or exemplifying the values of humanistic studies.” The essay should follow the requirements of either the MLA Handbook or the style manual appropriate to the student’s discipline and should be no more than 5000 words in length. Competition for the award is open to all undergraduate students at KSU. Past winners have included students in pre-med, philosophy, and French as well as English majors. Committee: Hoyt, Faculty of the Creative Writing Committee.

The June M. Friedmann Memorial Essay Awards are two awards given for the best short fiction, nonfiction, and group of poems submitted by KSU undergraduates. Any KSU undergraduate may submit up to thirty pages of fiction and/or up to ten pages of poetry. Previous first place winners are ineligible. The first prize winner in each category will receive a cash award of $75; second prize will receive $25. Committee: Carmen Schober and other graduate student editors of Touchstone; Hoyt, Smith.

The Touchstone Undergraduate Creative Writing Awards are nominated by the editors of Touchstone for the best short fiction, nonfiction, and group of poems submitted by KSU undergraduates. Any KSU undergraduate may submit up to thirty pages of fiction and/or up to ten pages of poetry. Previous first place winners are ineligible. The first prize winner in each category will receive a cash award of $75; second prize will receive $25. Committee: Carmen Schober and other graduate student editors of Touchstone; Hoyt, Smith.

The Hallam Walker Davis Memorial Scholarship is granted to an undergraduate English major on the basis of the student’s academic performance in English. No application is required. Committee: Wood, Faculty of the Undergraduate Advisory Committee.

The Kenneth and Martha Chappell Scholarship is awarded to a junior, senior, or fifth-year English major who has a minimum of 3.0 GPA and exhibits financial need. This scholarship honors the memory of Kenneth and Martha Chappell. Students should complete the application form posted at <http://www.k-state.edu/english/programs/ugrad>. Committee: Wood, Faculty of the Undergraduate Advisory Committee.

The Lamb Memorial Scholarship recognizes outstanding creative writing students and students who play intercollegiate basketball. The scholarship is granted in alternating years to sophomore, junior, and senior students who are enrolled in creative writing or who play intercollegiate basketball. Previous winners are ineligible. No application is required. Committee: Hoyt, Faculty of the Creative Writing Committee.

The Brewster Rogerson Scholarship is awarded to two undergraduate English majors who display financial need and academic excellence. Students should complete the application form posted at <http://www.k-state.edu/english/programs/ugrad>. Committee: Wood, Faculty of the Undergraduate Advisory Committee.

Most Promising Student Award recognizes an English major early in his or her career in the program. The award is made on the basis of faculty recommendations. No application is required. Committee: Wood, Faculty of the Undergraduate Advisory Committee.

Undergraduate Leadership and Service Award recognizes outstanding contributions to the life of the department. The award is made on the basis of faculty and student recommendations. No application is required. Committee: Wood, Faculty of the Undergraduate Advisory Committee.

The Cultural Studies Essay Award is given for the best undergraduate or graduate essay on literature or other arts (i.e. film, television, popular culture, or highbrow culture) treated in a way that includes the social, political, or economic concerns from the historical time of the work. Essays may be of any length up to 20 pages. Committee: González, Faculty of the Cultural Studies Track.

The Undergraduate Awards & Scholarships

The Composition/Rhetoric Research Award is awarded for the best undergraduate or graduate scholarly paper in composition and rhetoric, including but not limited to the areas of professional technical writing, writing center scholarship, writing pedagogy, literacy studies, and composition and rhetorical theory. Committee: Knoblauch, Faculty of the Composition/Rhetoric Track.

The Lukens Scholarship is awarded to a sophomore, junior, or senior English major or graduate student in English and who, preferably, is also from Mitchell County, Kansas. No application is required. Committee: Wood, Faculty of the Undergraduate Advisory Committee.

The Undergraduate Leadership and Service Award recognizes the outstanding first year GTA. The winner is determined by academic performance. No application is required. Committee: Longmuir, Faculty of the Graduate Advisory Committee.

The Robert W. Conover Memorial Award is given to an outstanding first year GTA. The winner is determined by academic performance. No application is required. Committee: Longmuir, Faculty of the Graduate Advisory Committee.

The Jerome Johanning Memorial Scholarship recipient will be an outstanding graduate teaching assistant in the Department of English. He or she will be selected on the basis of academic performance and a packet of supporting material that includes student evaluations, a one-page self-evaluation of the applicant’s teaching, a syllabus for each course taught, and examples of materials used in class.

To be eligible for consideration for the Jerome Johanning Memorial Scholarship, an applicant must first be returning to KSU to continue work on his or her degree the fall following the award of the scholarship, and second, must be nominated by the English Department. A list of eligible graduate teaching assistants will be distributed to all teaching members of the department who will be asked to nominate up to five individuals. Supporting materials will then be solicited from the five finalists. Committee: Longmuir, Knoblauch, Faculty of the Graduate Advisory Committee.

The Undergraduate & Graduate Awards

The Earle R. Davis Scholarship recognizes the outstanding graduate student scholar in the MA Program in English. Recipients of the scholarship must demonstrate overall academic merit and scholarly performance and potential. No application is required. Committee: Longmuir, Faculty of the Graduate Advisory Committee.
The Graduate Student Critical Essay Award is given for the outstanding critical or scholarly essay by an English Department graduate student on a topic in literary studies. The essay should exhibit a high standard of research and analysis; any theoretical or methodological approach is welcome. Submissions should not exceed 20 pages in length. Committee: Hauck, Faculty of the Literature Track.

The Anne P. Grindell Memorial Scholarship recognizes academic excellence as achieved by any student enrolled in the English Department’s M.A. program who also holds a valid State of Kansas Teaching Certificate. Previous winners are ineligible. No application required. Committee: Longmuir, Faculty of the Graduate Advisory Committee.

The Children’s Literature Graduate Essay Award is given for the outstanding critical or scholarly essay written by an English Department graduate student on a topic in children’s and/or adolescent literature and culture. The essay should exhibit a high standard of research and analysis; any theoretical or methodological approach is welcome. Submissions should not exceed 20 pages in length. Committee: Sanders, Faculty of the Children’s Literature Track.

The Seaton Fellowships for Graduate Students in Creative Writing are awarded to incoming graduate students for their first year of study in the K-State English Department’s creative writing program. This award perpetuates the memory of Mary Holten and Richard M. Seaton. The Seaton awards are based solely on the merit of the student’s creative writing sample. Each year at least one award is given to a Kansas resident or Kansas native. No application required. Committee: Hoyt, Faculty of the Creative Writing Committee.

The Graduate Creative Writing Awards are given for outstanding fiction, poetry, and creative nonfiction written by M.A. students as part of their program of study at KSU. Award recipients are determined from manuscript submissions of up to twenty pages of fiction, non-fiction, and/or five pages of poetry. Students may enter in all genres. Previous first prize winners are ineligible in the same genre. First prize in each genre carries a cash award of $100; second prize is awarded $25. Winners in each genre are selected by an independent off-campus judge of national reputation. Committee: Hoyt, Faculty of the Creative Writing Committee.

The Esther Glenn Scholarship is awarded by the Director of Graduate Studies, with the advice and recommendation of the Graduate Advisory Committee, to an incoming, first-year M.A. student on the basis of academic excellence demonstrated by grade point average in undergraduate coursework, GRE scores, letters of recommendation, and critical writing sample. No application required. Committee: Longmuir, Faculty of the Graduate Advisory Committee.

The Longman Exemplar Teaching Award is awarded for outstanding teaching in the expository writing program. Two GTAs are selected each year by the Expository Writing Committee. Winners receive a prize of $200 each, generously donated by Pearson Longman Publishing. No application required. Committee: Knoblauch, Faculty of the Expository Writing Committee.

The Popkink Scholarships are awarded to those graduate students in English judged most meritorious among each academic year’s incoming M.A. students. Selections are made considering undergraduate performance, GRE scores, letters of recommendation, and appropriate writing samples. No application required. Committee: Longmuir, Faculty of the Graduate Advisory Committee.

The Peggy and Gary Edwards Scholarship is awarded by the Director of Graduate Studies, with the advice and recommendation of the Graduate Advisory Committee, to outstanding incoming, first-year M.A. students on the basis of general academic excellence. Students in all tracks are eligible for consideration. No application required. Committee: Longmuir, Faculty of the Graduate Advisory Committee.

The Department of English
Annual Student Awards,
Scholarships, and Fellowships
2015-2016

Each year, the Department of English grants awards, scholarships, and fellowships to its graduate teaching assistants (GTAs), to its graduate and undergraduate students, and to other KSU undergraduate students. This announcement briefly describes those awards, scholarships, and fellowships. Unless stated otherwise, award amounts may vary from year to year.

General Requirements
The deadline for submitting nominations or applications for each of the following awards, scholarships, and fellowships (except where noted) is:

5:00 p.m. Friday, March 6, 2015

To be considered eligible for an award, scholarship, or fellowship, an entry must be submitted to the mailbox (ECS 119) of the chair of the Award Committee by the above deadline.

Each entry must be enclosed in an envelope large enough to allow it to be submitted without being folded. The front of the envelope should be addressed to the committee chair. A cover sheet should include the following:

• Name of award, scholarship, or fellowship
• Name of nominee or applicant
• Nominee’s or applicant’s local address, K-State email address, Wildcat number, and local telephone number

Selection and Presentation
All award, scholarship, and fellowship winners must be selected by the various committees on or before April 6, 2015. Questions about individual awards, scholarships, or fellowships should be directed to the appropriate committee chair (chairs are noted in boldface type).

Names of the award, scholarship, and fellowship winners will be honored at the English Department’s annual awards banquet on May 8, 2015.