

English Department Prizes 2025

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Wagenheim Prizes for English majors

\$500 for the best literary essay

\$500 for the best short story

Rachel St. Paul Poetry Prize

\$500 for the best group of poems by any
UVA undergraduate

Hannah Kahn Poetry Prize

\$100 for best poem by a fourth-year
English major

Hannah Kahn Essay on Poetry Prize

\$100 for the best essay on poetry by any
undergraduate

GRADUATE STUDENTS

The Academy of American Poets Prize

\$300 for the best poem or group of poems
by a graduate student in English

Balch Prize for a graduate student in English

\$300 for the best short story

Balch Prize for a master's student in English

\$500 for the best MA thesis

This prize has a later deadline of April 15

Thomas J. Griffis Prizes for graduate students in English

\$1,000 for the best essay by a student in the
first year of graduate work

\$1,500 for the best essay by a student
beyond the first year

Deadline: Friday, March 21, 2025, five p.m. EST
For more details or to submit your work online,
go to <https://uvacwp.org/prizes>

