

The Betty and Michael Wolf Prize in American Literature

2024

The Betty and Michael Wolf Prize will be awarded to the undergraduate English major who has attained the highest level of distinction in the study of American literature based on course work and/or honors thesis.

The prize is a result of a very generous gift to the Department from two of its alumni, Michael Alan Wolf and his wife Betty Morganstern Wolf, both 1974 graduates of Emory College, who "look back with fondness on [their] classes in American literature with such gifted instructors as William Dillingham and Floyd Watkins."

Students **must be** nominated by their instructors, who will email their names and materials to the Undergraduate Program Coordinator, (Khristin Isley@emory.edu) for transmittal to a Selection Committee, comprised of three faculty who are not themselves specialists in American literature.

Evidence to be submitted by Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 11:59 PM, will include at least:

- a current transcript
- copies of a student's written work, e.g., course term papers or a chapter of an honors thesis
- a letter of reference from the faculty recommender

Criteria for section will include:

- grades in American literature courses and overall grade-point average
- enthusiasm for and demonstrated commitment to research
- evidence of an ability to work independently
- the promise of continued engagement with the field

TO APPLY (Choose one of the following):

Option 1: Have the instructor email the Undergraduate program coordination, Khristin Isley at Khristin.isley@emory.edu with the subject line "**Wolf Prize in American Literature Recommendation.**" Upload your submission using the [ENG Undergraduate Awards & Writing Submission Form \(Spring 2024\)](#). Please note in order to upload file(s), one must sign in using a Gmail account.

Option 2: Email all evidence directly to the undergraduate program coordinator, Khristin Isley at Khristin.isley@emory.edu, including instructors recommendation.

For submission purposes contact Khristin Isley, Undergraduate Program Coordinator in the English Department, at Khristin.isley@emory.edu.

If you have further questions about this prize, please email Ross Knecht, Director of Undergraduate Studies in English, at ross.knecht@emory.edu.