

The Betty and Michael Wolf Prize in American Literature

2020

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 submit their names and materials to the Director of Undergraduate Studies for transmittal to a Selection Committee, comprised of three faculty who are not themselves specialists in American literature.

Evidence to be submitted by Wed. March 25, 2020 at 12 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 selection 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

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