

# UNIVERSITY LITERARY COMPETITION 2025

**DEAN'S PRIZE IN CREATIVE WRITING:**  
FOR POETRY, SHORT FICTION AND DRAMA

**MEREDITH GOODMAN BERNSTEIN PRIZE:**  
FOR EXCELLENCE IN WRITING

**ACADEMY OF AMERICAN POETS PRIZE**

**DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH PRIZE FOR HUMOR WRITING**

**Submit digitally to:**

[URLiteraryCompetition@gmail.com](mailto:URLiteraryCompetition@gmail.com)

**Include:** Name, UR ID, Mailing address, Major, Minor, Class Year, and Genre in the body of the e-mail

**Attach your submission either in word or PDF format. No name printed on submitted material**

**Rules:**

**Poetry:** Limit 6 Poems

**Prose:** Limit 5,000 words

**Drama:** Limit 40 pages

**Humor:** See attached guidelines



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## DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH PRIZE FOR HUMOR WRITING

- Open to current University of Rochester undergraduates and Take 5 students.
- Entries must have been written for a course, event or student publication at U of R (River or Eastman campus). It's fine if they've been revised since you first turned them in.
- Eligible work (you may enter in multiple genres):
  - Nonfiction:** one piece of up to 5,000 words, double spaced. Anything fact-based, including opinion pieces & personal essays.
  - Fiction:** one piece of up to 5,000 words, double spaced. Anything made up, including short stories, parodies and other forms of satire.
  - Poetry:** Up to 6 poems. A small group of short poems, haiku or limericks, written under an umbrella title would count as one poem.
  - Drama:** one piece of up to 5,000 words, double spaced.

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