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Undergraduate and Graduate Scholarships 2024-2025



COLLEGE OF
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**ENGLISH LANGUAGE
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CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Open to all English Majors

(B.A., B.S., B.S. in Education)

Jeanette R. House Memorial Scholarship

The House Scholarship is awarded to full-time English majors. Application is due in junior year; award will be applied to senior year. This scholarship is non-renewable.

Most scholarships are awarded in the minimum amount of \$1,500.

Requirements:

1. Junior or higher standing at the time of application (at least 56 credit hours earned)
2. Minimum 3.0 GPA

To be considered, applicants must provide:

1. Cover letter
2. Copy of transcripts
3. An essay (of approximately 800-1,000 words) that focuses on the critical questions or problems in the discipline the student is pursuing. More specifically, applicants should address what texts (or kinds of texts) have been the most useful in their studies and why, and they should also explain how the critical questions that motivate their studies have informed their intellectual development more broadly.
4. Two letters of recommendation that address the student's academic performance; one must be from an English Department faculty member.

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E.C. Beck Scholarship

The Beck Scholarship is awarded to full-time English majors who intend to teach in any capacity at any level (primary, secondary, college, community service program, or the like). The recipient is chosen based on scholarship, financial need, and probable teaching success. Preference will be given to juniors and seniors.

Most scholarships are awarded in the minimum amount of \$1,000.

Requirements:

1. Currently is and will remain a full-time student (12+ credit hours per semester)
2. Financial need (per FAFSA determination)
3. Intention to teach

To be considered, applicants must provide:

1. Cover letter
2. Copy of transcripts
3. An essay (of approximately 800-1,000 words) that focuses on the critical questions or problems the student is pursuing in the discipline. More specifically, applicants should address what texts (or kinds of texts) have been the most useful in their studies and why, and they should also address how the critical questions that motivate their studies will inform their teaching.
4. One letter of recommendation from an English Department faculty member.

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Reverend Lloyd C. and Ica L. Bronson Memorial Award

The Bronson Scholarship is awarded to full-time English majors. Application is due in junior year; award will be applied to senior year. Recipient will be a full-time student and show documented work with minority groups. Persons from protected groups are encouraged to apply.

Most scholarships are awarded in the minimum amount of \$1,000.

Requirements:

1. Junior or higher standing at the time of application (at least 56 credit hours earned)
2. Currently is and will remain a full-time student (12+ credit hours per semester)
3. Minimum 3.5 GPA
4. Demonstrated experience working with minority groups (particularly ethnic or gender groups)

To be considered, applicants must provide:

1. Cover Letter
2. Copy of transcripts
3. Documentation of work performed with minority group(s)

Open to Future Teachers

(B.S. in Education)

Marion Croft Althoff Memorial Award

The Althoff Scholarship is awarded to English majors (or minors) pursuing Secondary Education certification. This scholarship is renewable; students must reapply to be considered for renewal.

Most scholarships are awarded in the minimum amount of \$1,500.

To be considered, applicants must provide:

1. An essay (of approximately 800–1,000 words) that focuses on the critical questions or problems the student is pursuing in the discipline. More specifically, applicants should address what texts (or kinds of texts) have been the most useful in their studies and why, and they should also address how the critical questions that motivate their studies will inform their teaching.
2. Copy of transcripts.
3. One letter of recommendation from an English Department faculty member

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(B.S. in Education)

Francis J. and Mary Lois Molson English Education Scholarship

The Molson Scholarship is awarded to English majors (or minors) pursuing Secondary Education certification. This scholarship is renewable; students must reapply to be considered for renewal.

Most scholarships are awarded in the minimum amount of \$1,500.

Requirements:

1. Minimum 3.25 GPA
2. Intention to teach

To be considered, applicants must provide:

1. Letter of application that describes student's academic performance and relevant on[?] and off[?] campus activities (1-2 typed pages).
2. Copy of transcripts
3. Current resume
4. Contact information for three references (one for academic excellence and two for on[?] and off[?] campus service).

Open to English Graduate Students

Clara Lee R. Moodie Scholarship

The Moodie Scholarship is awarded to graduate students majoring in English who intend to teach at the high school or college level. Preference will be given to a student wishing to teach American literature. The scholarship is renewable; students must reapply to be considered for renewal.

Requirements:

1. Academic promise
2. Intention to teach

To be considered, applicants must provide:

1. Letter of application that describes student's academic performance and teaching aspirations.
2. Copy of transcripts.
3. One letter of recommendation from an English Department faculty member.

Final Steps

Applications are due no later than March 21 at 5:00pm.

Send by email to english@cmich.edu

Application fillable forms are available at: <https://www.cmich.edu/academics/colleges/liberal-arts-social-sciences/departments/englishlanguage-literature/student-resources/scholarships-competitions>

If you are applying for multiple scholarships, professors only need to write one letter that will be duplicated for all the scholarships for which you are applying.

Professors can turn in their letters directly to the English Department office.