

Faculty of Social Sciences Writing Awards

The Faculty of Social Sciences sponsors two levels of writing awards for undergraduate students who complete courses in our disciplines. One Good Writing Award is made to a student who writes the best term paper in each of our departments and centres. These units choose the best term paper written by an undergraduate student in a first, second, or third year of study for a regularly scheduled lecture or seminar course in fall-term, winter-term and full-year courses (honours projects and other cap stone projects are excluded). Papers should be very well-written, clearly at a level that exceeds expectations for an undergraduate student at the level of the course for which it was written.

Students who are selected for the Awards for Good Writing from each department and centre will have their papers automatically sent to the Office of the Dean for consideration for the Dean's Award for Good Writing. Chairs and directors should forward one hard copy of the best undergraduate paper to the Administrative Officer in the Faculty of Social Sciences by May 1st each year (or first business day following). Chairs/directors are encouraged to submit a "clean copy" of the paper with marker/grader comments and grades removed. Note that the paper cannot be edited after grading and before sending it to the Office of the Dean.

Arrangements will be made by the Administrative Officer to send \$100 to each unit that nominates a paper for Dean's award. These funds will be provided to the units by the Dean, and should be included with a congratulatory note to the student from the Chair or Director. The Dean will organize an adjudication committee to choose the best paper for the Dean's Award for Good Writing each year. The student who writes the best paper in the Faculty of Social Sciences will be awarded a further \$500, and will be recognized at spring convocation.