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"Excellence in Writing" Awards Ceremony

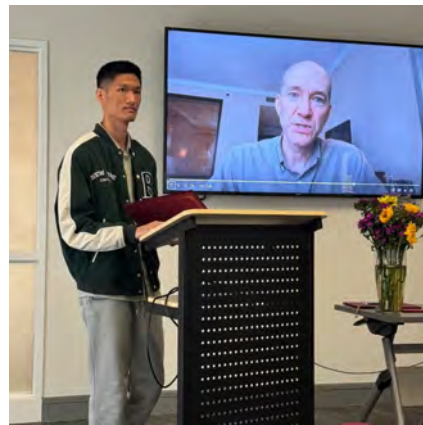
Congratulations to our outstanding winners of the 2025 "Excellence in Writing" Award Ceremony!



Best 1010 Paper
Ryan Rich



Best 2010 Paper
Katy Cassat



Critical Theories
Sang Ho Kim



Rhetorical Action
Rex Ealy



Multimodal Comp.
Marisela Perez



Open Category
Kate Rowan



Within the Disciplines
Mac Caron



Best Graduate Paper
Joseph Mayaki



Writing Center Tutor
Jenny Nguyen



Outstanding
Instructor Award
Ann Fillmore



Outstanding
Instructor Award
Rachel Bryson



Chair's Award
Annie McMurtrey

DWRS DEPARTMENT EVENTS

Thomas Huckin Distinguished Lecture

Thank you to our presenters of this year's Thomas Huckin Distinguished Lecture Series! Dr. Jennifer Sano-Franchini, Dr. Maggie Fernandes, and Dr. Megan McIntyre presented "Unpacking Generative AI Refusal in Higher Education". If you weren't able to attend their lecture, you can still view their research on their website: <https://refusinggenai.wordpress.com/>



Undergraduate Writing Symposium

Our Undergraduate Writing Symposium had record participation and featured writing from both first-year writing and the WRS major. Thank you everyone for your support and participation!

We Live Amid and As Archives: Library Exhibit

Come see the work done by students in display cases on the first and second floor of the university library!

The exhibit runs through Summer semester.



DWRS DEPARTMENT NEWS

Rachel Bryson

Rachel Bryson gave the annual Moyle Q. Rice Lecture on Writing at Utah State University. The title of her talk was "Why We Write: Why Writing Still Matters."

Rachel Bryson also had a book review published in *Rhetoric of Health and Medicine* on Krista Treston's book, *Doing Dignity: Ethical Praxis and the Politics of Care*.

Aubrey Fochs

Aubrey Foch received the Marie Cornwall Graduate Research Grant for the next academic year. This grant supports individuals who research gender-based issues and women.

Code Studies with John Gordon

Hey Humanities! Sign up for Fall 2025 semester **WRTG-3025 Code Studies** (TTh 9:10-10:30am, M LI 1715), now featuring newly revised course content including hands-on projects where you'll build your own **Small Language Model (SLM)** (think personalized miniature ChatGPT based on any content you choose). You'll also learn the new **Vibe Coding** approach to creating programs without learning traditional programming, and explore the most urgent humanistic issues in technology and society today.

Maximilian Werner

Maximilian Werner's poems "Spring Thaw," "Morning Swim, Australia 2022," "Progeria," and "Sonder" were accepted for publication in the Spring 2025 edition of Blaze Vox. You can view his poems [here](#)!

Maximilian Werner also published, "Look Closer": The Life Behind *American Beauty*. You can read his essay [here](#)!

Mohi Uddin

Mohi Uddin has been elected as the Vice-President of Bangladesh Student Association at the University of Utah. He will be serving Bangladeshi students and their families for the 2025-2026 academic year.

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