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**Department of English Awards and Recognitions
2025-2026**

Faculty Award Recipients

**Award for Faculty Excellence in Service to Undergraduate Education
(Department of English):**

Dr. Traise Yamamoto and Dr. Emma Stapely

2025-2026 Outstanding Disability Ally Award (UCR SDRC)

Dr. Jennifer Doyle

English Undergraduate Scholar Awards

Undergraduate Essay Award (Department of English)

Winning Essay:

Isabella Day, "*Tender is the Flesh: Necropolitics and Cannibalism*"

Honorable Mention:

Troy Davidson, "The War on Masculinity: Analyzing the Demasculinization of Men in Asian American Literature"

Emory Elliott Memorial Undergraduate Award 2025-2026 (Department of English)

Miranda Regalado

“Fugitive Evanescence: The Implications of Intangible Freedom in The Narrative of Henry ‘Box’ Brown”

Graduate Scholars Award and Honors Recipients

Lindon Barrett Black Studies Prize 2025-2026 (Department of English)

Emily Elvoid, Department of English, for “A Matter of Time: Disruption of Modernity, Genre, and Archive in Passing Novels”

Emory Elliott Graduate Essay Award 2025-2026 (Department of English)

K Persinger, for ““Them People Ain’t Human”: Border Cannibals, Blackness, & Tehomophobia in *Firefly* and *Serenity*”

Graduate Essay Awards 2025-2026 (Department of English)

Michelle Jones, first place, for “Hailed as Disability”

Sarah Thompson, second place, for “Genre as Governance”

Josie Holland, third place, for “Interrupting Aesthetics”

Graduate Community Service Awards 2025-2026 (Department of English)

Michael Pfirmann-Pugh

Emily Mulvihill

Jenna Wilson

Dissertation Fellowships (UCR Graduate Division, 2025-2026)

Dissertation Completion Fellowship Awards 2025-2026:

Amanda Mocsi

Loren Barbour

Allie Wood

Dissertation Year Fellowship Award 2026-2027:

Liza Wemakor

Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award 2025-2026 (Department of English)

Emily Elvoid

Graduate Scholarship Publication Awards (Department of English)

[In process. We will provide an additional announcement when this year's publication awards are compiled.]

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