WELLS COLLEGE AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN WRITING
2017 – 2018

M. Helena Zachos Prize
Fiction Writing Prize – This award is for the best short story written by any student during the academic year 2017-2018. A limit of two entries.
Deadline: Friday, April 13, 2018

*Submit to: TBA

Rose Hill ’98 Prize in Creative Nonfiction
Established in 2009 in memory of Rose Hill ’98. Awarded to the student whose creative nonfiction best reflects Rose Hill’s honesty and artistry. A limit of two entries.
Deadline: Friday, April 13, 2018

*Submit to: TBA

The Class of 1905 Prize in Poetry
This award is for the best poem or group of poems written by any student during the academic year 2017-2018. A limit of six poems.
Deadline: Friday, April 13, 2018

*Submit to: TBA

The Catherine B. DePau Prize
(The Academy of American Poets)
This award is for the best poem or group of poems submitted by a student. A limit of four poems. Judged by an outside judge. The winner receives $100, a letter from the Academy of American Poets, a one-year membership to the Academy, and a subscription to American Poet. Winners 23 years old or younger will be automatically considered for the Academy’s $1,000 Aliki Perroti and Seth Frank Most Promising Young Poet Award.
Deadline: Friday, April 13, 2018

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Entries for creative fiction, nonfiction, poetry and translation prizes must be submitted using an ALIAS. YOUR REAL NAME SHOULD NOT APPEAR ON YOUR PAPER. Prizes will be awarded at the Honors Award Dinner on May 2nd.
COMMENCEMENT AND CONVOCATION PRIZES

The Koch Prize for the Best Senior Research Paper  
Fifty Dollars
An entry for this prize may, but need not, have been submitted to a department as a senior essay or a senior thesis; or it may have been written by a senior as a term paper in a course. It should demonstrate mature investigation and cogent thinking concerning a significant subject. An entry for this prize should normally be no more than 20,000 words in length no less than 5,000. The Koch Prize for Best Senior Research Paper will be awarded at Commencement, May 19, 2018. 
Deadline: Friday, May 4, 2018 at 11:59pm

*Submit to: TBA

The Koch Prize for the Best First-Year Paper  
Fifty Dollars
An entry for this prize should reflect a discriminating, analytical reading, and clear thinking about a significant subject. It should be carefully researched and documented. Submissions should normally be no fewer than 2500 or more than 6,000 words in length. The committee judging this prize comprises of the SC 101 faculty. However, students may submit entries from any Wells course taken during the first year. The Koch Prize for the Best First-Year Paper will be announced at Fall Convocation, August 23, 2018.
Deadline: Friday, May 4, 2018 at 11:59pm

*Submit to: TBA

*All entries for the Best Senior and First-Year Papers must be typed and are to be submitted using an ALIAS. YOUR REAL NAME SHOULD NOT APPEAR ON YOUR PAPER.

*Descriptions for the Awards for Excellence in Writing are available in the Office of Academic and Student Life, Macmillan 210.