

The Zamora Dissertation Completion Award

The Department of English, thanks to a generous endowment created by Dr. Lois Zamora, announces a Dissertation Completion Award. The award is meant to give financial support to late-stage dissertators in the English Department. This competitive \$5,000 award will be announced each spring.

Criteria/eligibility:

Applicants must meet all of the following criteria to be considered:

- Ph.D. student in the Department of English in any concentration whose dissertation is in progress, priority to Literature and RCP students;
- In good academic standing, with exams and prospectus successfully completed (i.e., the student is “officially” ABD);
- Promise and progress of the dissertation topic;
- The dissertation should be completed during the year after the award is given.

Supporting documents:

- Letter of recommendation from applicant’s thesis director
- Applicant’s C.V.
- Original project proposal/prospectus
- Candidate’s Statement that describes:
 - 1) the contribution the dissertation will make to their field of study;
 - 2) how the award will assist them financially; and
 - 3) enable them to complete the work of the dissertation.

Award Procedure:

Applicants may self-nominate or be nominated by a peer or faculty member.

The recipient of the award will be determined by an awards committee composed of the Director of Graduate Studies in the Department of English and two faculty members selected by the Director.

Application deadline: Applications are due in April each year. For specific deadline, award amount, and to submit materials, please contact the [Director of Graduate Studies](#).