

JOHN J. MCKENNA UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP IN CREATIVE NONFICTION

The John J. McKenna Undergraduate Scholarship in Creative Nonfiction is a scholarship for a student of creative nonfiction writing for the academic year, 2025-26. It includes up to 12 hours of tuition in both fall and spring semesters, fees, and a book allowance of \$350. Awards for Runner-Up (\$3000) and Honorable Mention (\$1500) will also be given to assist with educational costs.

ELIGIBILITY

Undergraduate students seeking a major or minor in English or a certification in English or Language Arts in the College of Education are eligible to apply.

SUBMIT

- All UNO college transcripts, which can be official or unofficial
- A creative nonfiction writing sample (personal essay, memoir, travel essay, etc.) with a maximum limit of 5000 words

THIS YEAR'S DISTINGUISHED JUDGE

Sonya Huber is the award-winning author of five nonfiction books, including *Pain Woman Takes Your Keys and Other Essays from a Nervous System*. Her work has appeared in *The New York Times, The Atlantic, The Guardian*, and many other outlets.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: MARCH 5, 2025

HOW TO APPLY

- Log into MavLINK
- Click Financial Aid on the left navigation menu
- Click on Apply for Scholarships
- Log into the UNO Scholarship portal using your UNO NetID and password
- Complete the General Application
- Complete recommended academic College/ Department scholarship application; you can do so via the My Applications tab
- Check the Opportunities tab for recommended scholarships

