

# How to Enter the 2026 Writing Contests

*First: carefully revise your best work!*

You may enter in up to **three** categories.  
Please see the category descriptions poster!

- Submissions are due by **Friday March 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm**. No late entries!
- Only electronic submissions will be accepted.
- Email submissions to [contest@hartford.edu](mailto:contest@hartford.edu).
- Put your last name in the subject line of your email.
- In the body of the email, include the following information:
  1. Your name, phone number, and address
  2. The title(s) of each work
  3. The categories you are entering
  4. And for what course and instructor, if any, the piece was written
- Each submission must be attached to your email as a *Microsoft Word file*. No PDFs!  
(One file for *each* category you are entering, so up to three attachments!)
- Your name must not appear anywhere in the file(s).
- Title each Microsoft Word file attachment by the name of the category, using the following abbreviations:

- Abrahms Poetry
- Abrahms Fiction
- Nieditz Poetry
- Abrahms Personal Essay
- Doyle American
- Doyle Personal Essay
- Goldstein Literature
- Abrahms Drama
- Abrahms Other
- Doyle Introductory
- Goldstein Film

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