The English Department is seeking nominees for our 2005-06 departmental scholarships: the Mary Woolfolk Thomas Scholarship, the Harry L. and Cecilia H. Smith Scholarship, and the Mary Phyllis Riedley Scholarship. If you are eligible, you are invited to submit the attached application to Dr. Beth Willey, Director of Undergraduate Studies. The deadline for submitting an application is Friday, April 8th, 2005.

The Thomas Scholarship usually covers full tuition, and room and board for the senior year, and is awarded without condition except that the recipient remains enrolled at U of L as an English major. The award is made on the basis of academic achievement and potential rather than need.

The Smith and Riedley Scholarships also cover tuition, room and board, and course-related fees; they are awarded on the basis of academic merit and financial need, and on condition that the recipient remains enrolled at U of L as an English major. Documentation of financial need will be provided to the department by the Financial Aid office.

To be eligible for the Smith and Riedley Scholarships, students must meet the following requirements:
1. Have completed at least nine hours of English beyond Freshman Composition at U of L at the time of application,
2. Have an overall grade-point average of 3.3 or higher, and a grade-point average of 3.3 in English.

To be eligible for a Thomas Scholarship, students must meet the above requirements and, in addition, have completed more than seventy hours at the time of application. Students who wish to be considered for these scholarships must arrange for two letters of Recommendation and submit the following:
1. A completed application,
2. A transcript of all college work, including the Fall semester 2004,
3. A sample of her/his writing. (This sample, which may be either an essay from a class or one composed for the competition, should reflect the student's best writing effort. The submission of creative writing is not accepted. Creative writing scholarships are administered by the Creative Writing Program.)

Please contact Beth Willey if you have any questions about the scholarship competition, at 852-6803 or by e-mail at aewilley@louisville.edu.