

Nick Adams Short Story Contest

2018 Guidelines and Information

1. Entrants must be enrolled students in good standing at one of the Associated Colleges of the Midwest (ACM), but need not be English majors or enrolled in an English course.
2. Colleges are limited to a maximum of four entries, to be submitted through the English Department. No more than two entries may be the work of one student.
3. Submitted stories need not be written especially for the contest, but stories cannot have been previously published off-campus or **previously received finalist status in this contest**.
4. Each manuscript is limited to 10,000 words.
5. All submissions must be made to the Macalester English department and faculty will select four finalists to send on to the ACM office.
6. The deadline for submission to Macalester English department is:

Midnight on Sunday, February 4

7. All stories should be submitted electronically (PDF files) via e-mail to Jan Beebe at jbeebe@macalester.edu. **Each story should include a separate cover sheet containing the author's name, the title of the story, the author's e-mail address, campus phone number, current address (either campus or permanent), and the WORD COUNT of the story.** The title of the story must also appear on the first page of the story; however, the author's name should **ONLY** appear on the separate cover sheet. Only on time entries in the required format will be eligible.
8. The four Macalester finalists that are selected will be announced by February 14 and sent on to the ACM office where they will be screened by a two-member ACM faculty committee; approximately six stories will then be submitted for final judging by a notable author outside the consortium.
9. The winner of the contest will be announced in early April and will receive the contest prize of \$1,000.
10. The prize will be awarded only if the final reader finds a story of sufficient excellence.