

## **2021 Holle Award for Excellence in Forensic Competition**

**Competition Date: October 9-10, 2021**

The University of Alabama College of Communication & Information Sciences seeks to recognize and celebrate leaders in creativity. The Holle Awards in Excellence are designed to celebrate and reward student achievement in the areas of book arts, media writing, public speaking, screenwriting, filmmaking, sports media and forensic competition. This annual award includes a \$10,000 prize for the winner of each category.

The Holle Award in Forensic Competition will be awarded annually to the winner of the individual sweepstakes award at the Dr. Frank M. Thompson Jr. Crimson Classic and UA Alumni Individual Events Swing Tournament hosted at The University of Alabama each fall. This award recognizes excellence across the spectrum of individual event forensic competition as it awards the competitor who performs best in each genre: Oral Interpretation of Literature, Limited Preparation and Public Address. In addition to excellent presentation skills, this award demonstrates a nuanced mastery of critical thinking, persuasion, quick interpretation and dissemination of information, and artistic performance.

Forensic competition is offered as a co-curricular activity in the cultivation of argumentation, advocacy, performance, and presentation skills. The Holle Award for Excellence in Forensic Competition is open to currently enrolled undergraduate students competing with their institution's forensics (speech and debate) team or organization. Any college or university forensics team/organization in the nation is invited to participate in the Invitational Swing Tournament.

Complete rules and guidelines for competitors can be found in the Dr. Frank M. Thompson Jr. Crimson Classic and UA Alumni Individual Events Swing Tournament Invitation, which can be requested [here](#).

Who's eligible? Students competing must be currently enrolled undergraduate students and members of their educational institution's competitive forensic team/organization. Students must compete at the Dr. Frank M. Thompson Jr. Crimson Classic and UA Alumni Individual Events Swing Tournament hosted at The University of Alabama each fall. Students must compete in all three genres of competition during the tournament—Limited Preparation, Public Address and Interpretation.