Dr. Richard Harp was a leading international scholar of Renaissance studies, particularly of poet, essayist, and playwright Ben Jonson. He was a respected and effective teacher and mentor, sought out by his students to direct dissertation and thesis projects. Dr. Harp was the recipient of a Barrick Scholar Award and a Fulbright Award, in addition to other honors. He provided invaluable service to the department, university, and professor.

Selected by the English Department Selection Committee

The Dr. Richard Layne Harp Memorial Scholarship shall be awarded to a student(s) meeting the following criteria:

1. Student must have an undergraduate degree in English;
2. Student must have a minimum undergraduate 3.2 GPA;
3. Student may be full or part-time;
4. Must be an incoming student admitted to the UNLV MA or Ph.D. literature programs who will be pursing course work and/or possible thesis or dissertation project in Renaissance studies; OR

A UNLV MA student who is nearing the completion of their program and has applied to Ph.D programs here or elsewhere to pursue Renaissance studies; OR

A UNLV undergraduate student pursuing a degree in English and who has applied to MA or Ph.D. programs here or elsewhere to pursue Renaissance studies.

Recipients may not reapply for subsequent years.

*Unless otherwise noted, all students who fill out a FAFSA or alternate need form and meet the criteria for the scholarship will be considered. No other application is needed.

*Selected award winner’s name is due to the College of Liberal Arts Dean’s office by December 1st.