

INTRODUCING THE SRPR ILLINOIS POET:
BRETT FOSTER



Brett Foster earned his BA at the University of Missouri, MA at Boston University, and PhD from Yale University. He was a Wallace Stegner Fellow at Stanford University and an associate professor of English at Wheaton College in Illinois. His first collection of poetry, *The Garbage Eater* (2011), was selected for the Debut Poets feature in *Poets & Writers* magazine. His second book, *Extravagant Rescues*, is forthcoming from Northwestern University Press. Brett was not just a poet; he was also a scholar of early modern poetry. His critical work on Donne, Shakespeare, and other Renaissance-period literature was featured in a number of collected editions, encyclopedias, and journals. He died in 2015.
