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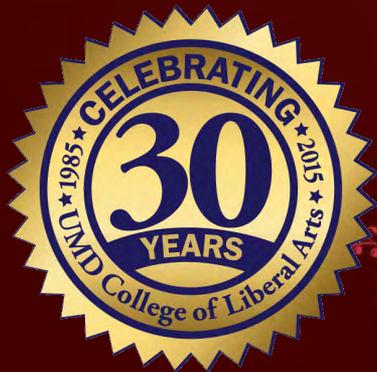


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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27TH, 2016

4:00 PM

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HORIZON ROOM
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Masters of Ceremonies:

Kim Hyatt graduated from UMD in 2014 with a degree in Journalism and Photography minor. As a student, Kim was actively involved in the Lake Voice blog and was a writer for the Statesman. Kim went on to work for the Owatonna People's Press, and in 2015, was awarded the Dave Pyle New Journal-

AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES DEPARTMENT

- The Minnesota Indian Affairs Council, which represents members from each of Minnesota's 11 tribes, signed a resolution in support of the Tribal Sovereignty Institute (TSI), which is housed in AIS.
- Professor Erik Redix and Professor Brian McInnis were awarded \$50,000 by the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council to create a website containing over 100 hours of original Ojibwe curriculum materials.
- Professor Linda LeGarde Grover received Wordcraft Circle 2015 Fiction Award for her novel *The Road Back to Sweetgrass*.
- AIS faculty publications: Jill Doerfler published her book, *Those Who Belong: Identity, Family, Blood, and Citizenship Among the White Earth Anishinaabeg*. Joseph Bauerkemper published an article, "The White Earth Constitution, Cosmopolitan Nationhood, and the Fruitful Ironies of Rela-



MICHAEL MUNNELL AWARD

Michael Munnell was the first graduate to major in American Indian Studies at UMD. In fall 2012, the AIS department established this scholarship in his name. Munnell is the drum keeper and lead singer of the MA'IIN'GAN Drum. The singers perform at dozens of events each year,

AWARD RECIPIENT: ANTON SAUER

Tony is a junior pursuing a Cell and Molecular Biology major, a Chemistry minor, and an American Indian Studies minor. He is from Brainerd, MN. In his spare time, Tony enjoys hunting, fishing, and other outdoor activities. He hopes to get accepted into Dental School for the fall of 2017.

MICHAEL MUNNELL SCHOLARS

RECIPIENT:

RYAN ALLESEE

Ryan is a History major with a minor in American Indian Studies.

RECIPIENT:

VALERIE MADDEN

Valerie is senior who is finishing her Anthropology major and an American Indian studies minor this December. She grew up in Duluth, and loves the outdoors. Valerie is considering future possibilities in health care.

RECIPIENT:

RACHEL MCNEIL

Rachel is a sophomore pursuing an American Indian studies major and Psychology minor. She is from Duluth and enjoys watching movies, reading, and going to concerts. She hopes to pursue a career that will further the development of American Indian peoples in her community.

RECIPIENT:

RANDI OMDAHL

Randi is an Anishinaabe student from Minneapolis, MN. She is majoring in General Studio Arts and minoring in American Indian Studies.

RECIPIENT:

KOUSHIK PAUL

Koushik, a junior American Indian Studies major and Chemistry minor, is from Rochester, MN. Koushik wants to be a physician to provide culturally responsive healthcare to indigenous people worldwide, addressing the existing health disparities.

RECIPIENT:

JESSALYN POITRA

Jessalyn is majoring in Biology with a minor in American Indian Studies.

RECIPIENT:

JACK SAUER

Jack is a Cell and Molecular Biology major with minors in American Indian Studies and Chemistry. He plans on going to dental school after his undergraduate degree. In his spare time Jack enjoys sports as well as hunting and fishing.

COMMUNICATION DEPARTMENT

- The U of M Board of Regents approved a new major in Journalism, which will go into effect in Fall 2016.
- The following Communication Department faculty members published their work in 2015: Rebecca de Souza, Hairong Feng, Edward Downs, Ryan Goei, David Gore, and Jacquelyn Harvey.
- Professor Deborah Petersen-Perlman had a notable trip to eastern Europe in the fall devoted to Holocaust themes and venues. Her trip has provided helpful background for Baeumler Kaplan Holocaust Commemoration events as well as her course on Holocaust memoirs.
- Instructor Brian Matuszak was named Best Actor in the 2015 Duluth Reader



FLINT GROUP SCHOLARSHIP

The Flint Group made this gift in recognition of the quality education that UMD offers students. This scholarship is intended to help students pursue their dreams of higher education. These students use their knowledge in incredible ways and the Flint Group is proud to have hired several graduates throughout the years. It is the agency's hope to continue this tradition.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JESSA WARNER

Jessa is double-majoring in Communication and Hispanic Studies. She is an active member of the University Honors program, serving as co-chair of their Public Relations Committee. Jessa is an active volunteer with the CHUM Community Service Agency, Washington County 4-H, and the Animal Allies-Humane Society. In 2015 she studied abroad in Spain.

VIRGINIA T. KATZ SCHOLARSHIP

The Virginia T. Katz Scholarship is given in honor of our friend and colleague, Ginny Katz, who retired from UMD in 2003. This award honors a junior who best combines solid academic performance with both a broad commitment to service and strong interpersonal skills.

AWARD RECIPIENT: NOAH PETTERS

Noah is currently a junior majoring in Communication and minoring in Women Studies. He's currently involved in research with the Communication Department and working on UROP and Honors Capstone research

COMMUNICATION DEPARTMENT

GREG & SHEILA FOX FAMILY AWARD

Greg and Sheila Fox, both 1971 UMD grads, believe that without UMD, going to college would have been very difficult. Both worked while going to school and were active in campus activities including debate. Sheila was a Head Start Teacher with the Duluth Public Schools and Greg spent his career at UMD. They have seen the impact that access to a quality education can have on

individuals and communities. This scholarship is awarded to students who have demonstrated academic merit and are studying Communication.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **WEIQING HUANG**

Weiqing is a currently finishing up her junior year at UMD and is majoring in Communication with a minor in Hispanic Studies. She is actively involved with an internship in the Public Relations & Marketing office at UMD and enjoys organizing The Chinese New Year celebration event in her spare time. After graduation she hopes to pursue a career in the Communication field or go on to graduate school in Public Relations and Corporate Communication.

JOHN NESS MEMORIAL AWARD

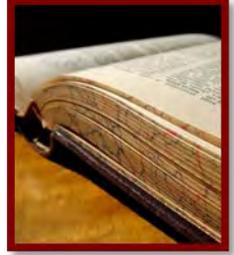
John Ness was a beloved member of the Communication Faculty for 23 years. Each spring the award is given to the senior graduating in Communication who has demonstrated both outstanding academic achievement and distinguished service to the University.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **ISABEL MIERA**

Isabel is finishing up her senior year double majoring in Communication and Hispanic Studies. She's heavily involved in UMD Student Association as the outgoing VP of Administration and Finance as well as the Finance and Operations Officer for the Communication Club. During her time at UMD she was also a TeamLead Orientation Leader for Welcome Week and TA-ed for Public Speaking and UMD Seminar. When not focusing on school, Isabel loves to read non-fiction and run the beautiful trails in Duluth. After graduation, she will be working at a management consulting firm in Minneapolis as a project coordinator and hopes to further her education one day, pursuing an masters degree in Health Care Communication at St. Thomas.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

- Professor Joshua Bernstein published four short stories in literary journals and four creative nonfiction pieces this year. His story "Ponderous Things," published in The Madison Review, was a finalist for the Chris O'Malley Prize in Short Fiction.
- Professor Burke Scarbrough published a book chapter on "The Role of Video in a Literacy Collaboration to Re-Engage Struggling Students." Professor Scarbrough was interviewed for the "Voice of Literacy" podcast about his 2014 Journal of Literacy article.
- Professor John Schwetman presented a paper at the annual Modern Language Association convention in January and Gretchen Geer, an undergraduate major in English and History, will be presenting a paper at the International Conference on Medieval Studies in Kalamazoo, Michigan in May.
- Professor Joshua Bernstein organized two well-attended UMD creative writing readings in the Atrium of the Zeitgeist Arts Center. Both students and faculty shared their work.
- Professor Katie Van Wert continues to advise the Storytelling Project, a



ANN H. AND ALFRED HARTLEY SCHOLARSHIP

Alfred Hartley established this scholarship in honor of his wife, Ann, and her lifelong interest in English language and literature. The scholarship supports juniors or seniors majoring in English who are in good academic standing and have a demonstrated interest in language and literature.

AWARD RECIPIENT: NICHOLAS VANG

Nicholas is a double major in English and Teaching Communication Arts and Literature. He is actively involved in the community, both in Duluth and St. Paul, as a teaching assistant and football coach. After graduation, he hopes to teach English abroad before pursuing an advanced degree.

ANNA LEE (STENSLAND) AND MYRON LIDBERG SCHOLARSHIP

The family of Anna Lee (Stensland) Lidberg created this scholarship in honor of Professor Stensland's devotion to students and education. It is awarded to aid a student during his/ her student teaching.

AWARD RECIPIENT: MIKAYLA KARELS

Mikayla is a senior completing her degree in Teaching Communication Arts and Literature with a minor in English. She has been involved with UMD's

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

JOHN AND RUTH REED SCHOLARSHIP

John Reed, UMD class of 1959, English Professor at Wayne State, created this scholarship in honor of himself and his late wife, Ruth, a graduate of Hope College. The scholarship is awarded to a student studying English.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JYNNI DISCENZA

Jynni is a double major in English and Teaching Communication Arts and Literature. She is an avid writer of creative fiction and poetry, and is already sharing her passion for writing and literature with secondary education students.

JOSEPH E. DUNCAN SCHOLARSHIP

Established by a bequest in the will of Professor Joe Duncan and supplemented with gifts from his family and friends, the Joseph Duncan Scholarship is conferred upon an English major who has demonstrated outstanding scholastic capability and professional promise.

AWARD RECIPIENT: AMBER BEATTIE

Amber is pursuing a major in English and Teaching Communication Arts and Literature, with a minor in Linguistics. She has taught Linguistics at UMD as a Supplemental Instruction Leader, and, after graduation, she looks forward to sharing her love of books with students at the secondary level.

KLAUS P. JANKOFSKY ESSAY PRIZE

The Klaus P. Jankofsky Essay Prize is awarded to the best student essay on any topic in Medieval and/or Renaissance Studies.

AWARD RECIPIENT: AMBER BEATTIE

See bio above.

LAWRENCE WRIGHT ESSAY PRIZE

The Wright prize was established in 1974 by Edwina Wright, in memory of her late husband, D. Lawrence Wright (1900-1978), who was a member of the UMD English Department and a teacher of particular excellence. The prize is awarded annually for the best original or analytical essay submitted on a topic of linguistics, in literature, in rhetoric, or in methods of instruction.

AWARD RECIPIENT: TAYLOR GRASDALEN

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

MICHAEL ROBERT LENZ CREATIVE WRITING SCHOLARSHIP

In honor of former UMD English major Mike Lenz, whose untimely death occasioned the endowment for this award, the English Department will award this scholarship to the writer of an exemplary work of imaginative literature.

AWARD RECIPIENT: ALDEN KASCAK-HARTH

Alden is currently an English major. He's involved with the Student Advocates for Choice on campus. He works at the Whole Foods Co-op and has little free time. He eventually plans on writing the Great American Novel.

MICHAEL ROBERT LENZ CREATIVE WRITING PRIZE

Named in honor of former UMD English major Mike Lenz, this is awarded at the judges' discretion for the best original work of imaginative literature, narrative, dramatic, or lyric, in prose or verse.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JESSE HARTH

Jesse is a senior majoring in English at UMD. He is passionate about reading, writing, and current affairs. He spends his free time farming, working at a cooperatively-owned bakery, and exploring the backwoods of Minnesota.

SIGMOND AND LENA SLONIM SCHOLARSHIP

Created by Dr. Ruth Slonim, in memory of her parents, Sigmond and Lena Slonim. The Slonim Scholarship is conferred upon an English major who, upon entering his or her senior year, has demonstrated financial need, an outstanding scholastic capability, personal effectiveness, and professional promise.

AWARD RECIPIENT: BETHANY CARROLL

Bethany is majoring in English and Teaching Communication Arts and Literature, with a minor in Communication. She plans to teach English at the secondary level and to pursue a Master's Degree in English or Education.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

WILLIAM M. CROCKETT SCHOLARSHIP

The William M. Crockett Scholarship in English was established in 2012 in his memory by his wife Christine Holmes Crockett to support students with financial need in the Department of English. William Mabon Crockett was a descendant of Davy Crockett. Mr. Crockett was a former chair of the Department of English at UMD, and Mrs. Crockett was a talented musician and organist. They were both long-time residents of Duluth.

AWARD RECIPIENT: AMANDA HASS

Amanda is an English major and Anthropology minor, who recently explored the intersection of the two disciplines while participating in UMD's Study in England Program (Worcester). She is interested in a career in scientific journalism and also pursuing an advanced degree in Linguistics or Anthropology.

UMD GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

Fellowships are awarded on the basis of academic merit and the professional potential in an effort to recognize outstanding students in the English MA Program.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JON BREDESON

Jon is a first-year graduate instructor in the English MA program. His focus is on creative writing, poetry, and publishing. He is currently the poetry editor for The Roaring Muse.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JOHN WILCOX

John is a graduate instructor in the English MA program.

AWARD RECIPIENT: KAITLYN YOUNG

Kaity is a graduate instructor in her second semester of UMD's English MA Program. She serves as the fiction editor of The Roaring Muse and hopes to be a publisher after completing her education.

DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES



- Many faculty members published their work this year.
- Professor Jennifer Gómez Menjívar received the Institute for Advanced Study Residential Fellowship and Professor Aparna Katre received a grant from the Center for Regional and Urban Affairs to fund creation of apprenticeship program for Cultural Entrepreneurship. In addition, Professor Dan Nolan has been named COIL Fellow for UMD for Spring 2016.
- Professor Dan Nolan, hosted delegation from Petrozavodsk, Russia to dialogue on best practices for child welfare and families at risk.
- Professor Seth Peabody organized Environmental Humanities Day with panelists from UMTc and the Rachel Carson Center in Munich, along with a teacher-training seminar "Teaching Environmental Issues in the Foreign Language Class."
- Study Abroad courses took students to Salamanca (Spain), Passau (Germany), Beijing (China), and Petrozavodsk (Russia). In addition, department faculty members presented papers at conferences in Canada, Russia, Spain, Hong Kong, Germany, Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

THE JONATHAN CONANT SCHOLARSHIP

The Jonathan Conant Scholarship was established in 2009 by former students and friends that wished to honor Professor Jonathan Conant. The scholarship is awarded to students studying German.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **KORINA KLAYSMA**

Kori, a junior from Chanhassen, MN, is a double major in German Studies and Exercise Science with a Sports Science Emphasis. She plans to study abroad May 2016 in Berlin, Germany through the Language and Culture in Germany program. Kori is a member of University Honors and the Occupational Therapy Club and enjoys volunteering at the Benedictine Health Center.

DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

FRANCES KNOBLOCH SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established by a graduate of the Foreign Languages and Literatures Department and is named in honor of her high school language teacher. This teacher has also contributed to this scholarship, which is open to students studying French, German, and Spanish.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **ABBYGAIL COYLE**

Abby, a sophomore from Watertown, MN, is majoring in Cell and Molecular Biology with a minor in Hispanic Studies. Abby has been accepted to the Language and Culture in Spain program where she will be attending the University of Salamanca in Salamanca, Spain in June 2016. On campus, Abby enjoys being a part of the Pre-Med club, the yoga club and also volunteering with SERVE (Students Engaged in Rewarding Volunteer Experiences).

AWARD RECIPIENT: **PABLO MELLO**

Pablo, a sophomore from Sao Paulo, Brazil, is a double major in Chinese Area Studies and Mathematics with a minor in Physics. Pablo will study abroad in China during the 2016-2017 academic year. He plans to attend either Fudan University in Shanghai or Tsinghua University in Beijing. On campus, Pablo works as a software engineer intern for the Cultural Diversity Center and the Office for Students in Transition.

MILAN KOVACOVIC SCHOLARSHIP IN FRENCH STUDIES

The Friends of Milan Kovacovic Scholarship was established by a group of former students of Professor Kovacovic's to provide travel support for students majoring or minoring in French Studies.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **CAITLYN FETTER**

Caitlyn is a double major in French Studies and Psychology from Chippewa Falls, WI. She will be attending a 9-week study abroad program this summer in Montpellier, France where she will be learning about French culture, language and science. On campus, Caitlyn works for UMD Dining Services and at Children's Place. She also participates in PsiChi and Psychology Club.

DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

THE ALAYNE AND CHARLES BERKINS SCHOLARSHIP

The Alayne and Charles Berkins Scholarship serves undergraduate Liberal Arts majors in Spanish, German Studies, and French programs in the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures. This scholarship is to be used for tuition, books, fees and/or other related educational expenses while attending UMD.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **KAELT SIMPSON**

Kaelt now lives in Duluth, but previously lived in Germany. She is currently a junior majoring in German Studies, Biochemistry and Chemistry with a minor in Biology. On campus, she tutors German, works as a Chemistry TA and enjoys participating in various clubs, like Chem Club and going to the Deutscher Kultur Klub's (German Culture Club) "Kaffeeklatsch".

AWARD RECIPIENT: **JESSA WARNER**

Jessa is a double major in Hispanic Studies and Communication from White Bear Lake, MN. During the summer of 2015, Jessa traveled abroad on the short-term trip to Salamanca, Spain which added to her decision to pursue Hispanic Studies beyond a minor. Jessa's other activities on campus include Attitudes Dance Association, the University Honors Program and UHSA (University Honors Student Association).

THE CULTURAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP SCHOLARSHIP

The Cultural Entrepreneurship (CUE) Scholarship was established by board members of the CUE program to encourage promising students in the field and help recruit more students to this new and innovative major. Students are selected based on their academic achievements and commitment to the program.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **KAYLA NESS**

Kayla, a freshman majoring in Cultural Entrepreneurship, has already demonstrated academic excellence. She is an active learner and passionate about blending knowledge from Cultural Entrepreneurship with that from Psychology to design her unique career pathway.

DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

A. MARINELLI SCHOLARSHIP IN FRENCH AND SPANISH

Established in 1986 by Angela and Anne V. Marinelli of Hibbing, Minnesota. The Marinelli Scholarship is awarded to an outstanding student in French or Spanish.

AWARD RECIPIENT: MEGAN RESCH

Megan is a junior double majoring in French Studies and Statistics/Actuarial Sciences from Stevens Point, WI. Next fall, Megan will be studying abroad in Montpellier, France to finish out her French major. Megan is secretary of the UMD Synchronized Figure Skating team, vice-president of the French Club, and a member of UMD's Guitar Ensemble, Actuary Club, Scholar's Club, and Figure Skating Club.

AWARD RECIPIENT: MADISON SACHS

Madi is in her third year and is majoring in Hispanic Studies, Biology, and Latin America Studies. She is currently studying abroad in Cusco, Peru for the semester, taking classes, and living with a host family. Madi is involved with the UMD Honors Program, Mortar Board, Slackline Club, intramural sports, and MPIRG. She also volunteers in the greenhouse on campus. Upon graduation next spring, Madi intends to continue her education in graduate school.

AWARD RECIPIENT: KAELYN MARGARET WILLIAMS

Kaelyn is a double major in Latin American Area Studies and Environmental and Outdoor Education from Golden Valley, MN and will be graduating Fall 2016. She will be studying abroad in Cuzco, Peru during Fall 2016 to finish up her Latin American Area Studies major. She is a member of the UMD Nordic Ski Club and volunteers year-round as a member of the Core Staff with the Outdoor Program. Kaelyn also volunteers with the Adaptive Sports Program through the Courage Kenny Rehabilitation Institute.

GEOGRAPHY, URBAN, ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STUDIES



- GUESS Department welcomed Assistant Professor Ryan Bergstrom, who was hired in a tenure track position.
- The following faculty members have received promotional awards: Tongxin Zhu has been awarded promotion to Full Professor and Adam Pine has been awarded tenure and promotion to Associate Professor. In addition, Assistant Professor Randel Hanson has become a graduate faculty member in the Center for Environmental Education.
- Students Hitomi Nakamura and George Lyall attended the 25th Annual NACIS Conference in Minneapolis, co-presented with Kate Carlson.
- A new cutting-edge assessment for the GIS program was launched. In addition a Graduate GIS Certificate program is forthcoming.

CATHERINE E. COX SCHOLARSHIP IN GEOGRAPHY

The Catherine E. Cox Scholarship in Geography honors Catherine Cox, who received her undergraduate degree in Geography from UMD. The award recognizes students whose academic achievements and future plans embody the goals and mission of the study of Geography at UMD.

AWARD RECIPIENT: MEGAN SCHIRMERS

Megan was born and raised in Coon Rapids, MN. Growing up near the banks of the Mississippi River fostered her love for the environment. She is an outdoors enthusiast and looks forward to perusing her education in geography.

CARLSON AMYS SCHOLARSHIP

The Carlson and Amys families established this scholarship because they valued their education and wished to help graduating students from Hermantown High School attend UMD. They hope the student's future success will allow them to someday give back to the community. This scholarship rotates annually between the College of Liberal Arts and the Labovitz School of Business and Economics.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JASON MOZOL

Jason is a 2014 Hermantown High School graduate who continued his studies close to home at UMD. He's double majoring in Urban and Regional Studies as well as Environment and Sustainability with minors in GIS and Geography.

Jason plans to pursue a career in planning.

GEOGRAPHY, URBAN, ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STUDIES

EMMA GOLDMAN SCHOLARSHIP IN GEOGRAPHY

The Emma Goldman Scholarship in Geography recognizes students whose achievements embody the ethics, values, and accomplishments of the famous Lithuanian-born feminism activist and intellectual, Emma Goldman. She has inspired generations of women, feminists, and geographers throughout the world with her numerous scholarly and activist works. This scholarship honors her and her legacy by supporting and promoting gender equity, critical thinking, and academic achievement among students not only in the study of Geography, but all across UMD.

AWARD RECIPIENT: MEGAN SCHIRMERS

See bio on previous page.

FREDERICK & LOIS WITZIG GEOGRAPHY SCHOLARSHIP

The Frederick and Lois Witzig Geography Scholarship was created by the family of Fred and Lois Witzig. Frederick joined the UMD Geography Department in 1953 and continued teaching until 1990. This scholarship is based on scholastic merit, and is awarded to students entering their junior or senior year at UMD.

AWARD RECIPIENT: COREY PLETSCH

Corey is a senior at UMD studying dual degrees in Environment & Sustainability and Geography. Corey is currently working in sustainability research at the Natural Resource Research Institute (NRRI) and hopes to begin working with soil science and conservation with the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) this summer.

MATTI E. KAUPS GEOGRAPHY SCHOLARSHIP

The Matti E. Kaups Geography Scholarship was established in honor of Matti Kaups, Professor Emeritus, who taught in the Geography Department at UMD for 32 years. This scholarship is awarded to an outstanding student majoring in Geography and interested in pursuing a graduate degree.

AWARD RECIPIENT: MEGAN SCHIRMERS

See bio on previous page.

GEOGRAPHY, URBAN, ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STUDIES

ROLAND & EVELYN THEISEN SCHOLARSHIP

Roland Theisen received his BA in Social Sciences from the UMD College of Liberal Arts in 1958. In memory of his late wife, Evelyn, Roland established this scholarship to assist students and perpetuate their life-long commitment to teaching and learning.

AWARD RECIPIENT: BRYCE LANHART

Bryce is a junior at UMD majoring in Environment and Sustainability and minoring in Economics. Bryce plans on pursuing his certification in GIS. He wrestles and plays rugby at UMD and enjoys hunting and fishing.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JOSHUA LAUMANN

Josh grew up just outside of Mankato, MN and is an Environment and Sustainability major at UMD. He loves the outdoors and bicycling.

GEOGRAPHY, URBAN, ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STUDIES

UMD GARY D. SLETTE SCHOLARSHIP IN URS

This scholarship was established in 2016 by the J.A. Wedum Foundation in honor Gary Slette. Slette received his BA in Urban Studies from UMD in 1977. The scholarship is awarded to students majoring in Urban and Regional Studies.

AWARD RECIPIENT: ALEXANDER NELSON

Alex comes to the University after several years working in the primary, secondary and tertiary sectors of the economy. He believes that by analyzing the workings of cities from diverse viewpoints we can shape a better and more just future. Alex is a self-described Flâneur.

AWARD RECIPIENT: ARIA KAMPFER

Aria is an Urban and Regional Studies major finishing up her second year. She loves to ski, garden, or bake in her free time. Outside of UMD she works for the City of Duluth, which has greatly influenced her decision to make a career working for a city after graduation.

AWARD RECIPIENT: BRIA RAINES

Bria is an Urban and Regional Studies major with a Geography minor from Hopkins, MN. After graduate school, Bria would like to work as a city planner.

AWARD RECIPIENT: ZACHARY SVOBODA

Zach is a double-major in Urban and Regional Studies/GIS. from Bloomington, MN. Zach hopes to pursue a career as an urban planner with the goal of greener cities.

AWARD RECIPIENT: LEXI WEIHE

Lexi is a sophomore from Mankato, MN pursuing a major in Urban and Regional studies with a minor in Geographic Information Sciences. In her spare time she loves to be outdoors, travel and play sports, especially lacrosse. She is a member of the UMD Women's Lacrosse Team.

HISTORY DEPARTMENT

- The Museum Studies Certificate program has begun this year with greater than expected enrollment.
- Dr. Steven Matthews and David Woodward, Coordinator of the Museum Studies Program, traveled to Galway and Dublin, Ireland to develop collaborative research and student internships with state and private museums.
- Dr. Steven Matthews will continue his work on modern science and medieval philosophy and Dr. Gideon Mailer will develop his research on the relationship between moral philosophy and slavery from the 17th century to the Civil War era.
- The department is completing two tenure track searches in the History of Africa and the History of Russia and will be welcoming two new scholars next year.
- The department continued its guest speaker series by hosting Professor William Caraher who gave public presentations at the Historic Glensheen Mansion and UMD.



BATHORY LANE SCHOLARSHIP

Established in 2006, by Susan Bathory (Hist '75) and Donald Lane, this scholarship recognizes the achievements of a UMD student majoring in History. Ms. Bathory credits the scholarship she received as a student with giving her the opportunity to study at UMD and she hopes that this award will make a difference for another student.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **JONATHAN LINDBERG**

Jonathan grew up in Superior and became interested in history during high school. His interest is in ancient history, in which he hopes to go on to graduate school, and see where that eventually takes him.

HISTORY DEPARTMENT

MAUDE LINDQUIST SCHOLARSHIP

The Maude Lindquist Scholarship was established by Ms. Helen Anderson, in memory of Professor Maude Lindquist. Professor Lindquist was a long time member and chair of the History Department. The award in her memory is given to the student who writes the best senior essay or Honor's Paper.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **MATT VELDOF**

Matt enjoys classical antiquity and the History department at UMD has given him the opportunity to learn more about what he loves. His time at UMD has inspired him to try to continue his education in history at the PhD level.

WASHBURN MEMORIAL AWARD

The Washburn Memorial Award is given annually to outstanding History majors. It is named in honor of J. L. Washburn, a prominent Duluth attorney, who was the resident director of the previous, Duluth Teachers College, which is now UMD. He also served on the board governing Minnesota's State Teachers Colleges and was an advocate for higher education.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **JOSHUA STREMCHA**

Josh plans to graduate in the fall of 2016. Following his graduation, he plans to pursue a career in the Foreign Service.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **BLAINE HEIL**

Blaine will be finishing his B.A. in History during the spring term of 2017, and from there will be going on to graduate school. UMD and his professors in the History Department have inspired him to pursue a career in teaching history.

PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT

- The Philosophy Department welcomed their new tenure track faculty member, Assistant Professor Eve Rabinoff, who presented a paper at the Ancient Philosophy Society meeting in Portland, Maine.
- Professor Jeanine Schroer won the UMD Outstanding Academic Advisor Award, received a substantial grant for creating a research database on stereotypes and slurs, "The Stereotype Project," and presented two papers at Central Michigan University.
- Professor Sean Walsh developed a new course in Eastern Philosophy.
- The Center for Ethics and Public Policy hosted a number of well-attended events, including talks and panels on prison reform, Native American food rights, economic inequality, and assisted suicide.



RETTA AND HENRY EHLERS SCHOLARSHIP

The Ehlers Scholarship was established by Mary Ann Ehlers Waldo (and Neil Waldo) in memory of her parents Retta and Henry Ehlers. Henry founded the UMD Philosophy Department in 1947 and retired in 1975 after 28 years of service. The scholarship is awarded to a full time undergraduate Philosophy student in good academic standing.

AWARD RECIPIENT: ANNIKA JOSEPHSON

Annika is a junior studying Philosophy and Communication; the former because she is fascinated by how people think and what makes them tick, and the latter because she wants to know how they share that with the world.

RETTA AND HENRY EHLERS BOOK AWARD

The Ehlers Book Award provides textbooks needed for Philosophy courses taken by the recipients for the following year. Awards are made to continuing Philosophy students based on their grades in Philosophy courses.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JON SUDDUTH

John is a junior double majoring in Philosophy and Computer Science. His hobbies and interests include video games, music, programming, ethics and artificial intelligence. He plans on graduating UMD in the spring of 2017 to pursue a career as a software engineer.

AWARD RECIPIENT: KELLER SWANSEN

POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

- Professor Paul Sharp became the new department head, replacing Jeremy Youde who accepted a position at the Australian National University in Canberra.
- Professor Geoff Sheagley received several honors, including a teaching award from the Honors Program in Spring 2015, the UMD Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award in Spring 2016 and a fellowship for the Institute for Advanced Study for Spring 2017.
- Several faculty members have had academic articles accepted or published in journals this year.
- Professor Shannon Drysdale Walsh was awarded an Imagine Fund Grant.
- Political Science student Derek Dirckx completed a UROP in Spring 2015 titled "Unregulated Democracy and Campaign Finance Reform" which was published in the UMD d-Commons.



ALTA MARIE OBEN SCHOLARSHIP

Alta Marie Oben graduated from UMD in 1969 with a degree in Political Science. She established this scholarship to acknowledge and encourage female students to pursue careers that they may not have originally considered. The scholarship is awarded to a female majoring in Political Science or International Studies who demonstrates high academic achievement and financial need.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JORDYN FOLEY

Jordyn is a sophomore Political Science major and soon-to-be Pre-Accounting as well. She originally wanted to attend law school, but now is interested in earning a dual degree that will allow her to work in areas that will combine business and law.

POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

CAROL AND MICHAEL S. BERMAN SCHOLARSHIP

Michael Berman graduated from UMD in 1961 with a degree in Political Science, and went on to pursue a life of service. The Berman Scholarship was established to honor and support Political Science students who demonstrate high academic achievement and who set an example for others through his or her demonstrated campus leadership.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **HANNAH SCHLEDER**

Hannah is a junior Women's Studies and Political Science major. In Political Science, she finds comparative politics and gender relations to be deeply interesting areas of study, and wishes to focus on them in her upcoming independent study. Hannah is working towards being accepted to a Feminist Studies Master's and PhD program.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **AMY VOSS**

Amy is a junior studying a double major of Political Science and Biology. She plans to attend law school in the fall of 2017 to pursue criminal or medical liability law. Amy intends to use her Political Science major to prepare for law school, while using her Biology major for the ability to hold different perspective and strong background on the types of law she would love to study.

DIANE AND CALVIN RUDOLPH FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

The Rudolph Family Scholarship was established in honor of Diane (Reinke) and Calvin Rudolph of Hermantown, MN. They valued education and hard work and encouraged their children into higher education. This scholarship is awarded to a student who shows promise to succeed in law school and who demonstrates financial need.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **JENNA LEE**

Jenna is a junior double major in Political Science and Economics, with two minors in German and Women, Gender, and Sexuality studies. She is interested in public service and civil rights law. After the completion of her degree, she plans to attend law school.

POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

ELEANOR AND GERALD HEANEY SCHOLARSHIP

The Heaney Scholarship celebrates and honors the lives and service of Eleanor and Gerald Heaney. Judge Gerald Heaney devoted his life to public service and was a constant champion of education at UMD. This scholarship was established to recruit undergraduate students of merit studying pre-law and working towards a degree in law.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **MICHAEL ZILLMER**

Michael is a junior Political Science/Philosophy/Economics triple major. He is interested in American Politics, Political Economics, and Political Philosophy particularly theories of political obligation, legitimacy, and authority. He would like to get a PhD in Philosophy focusing on Political Philosophy and has considered running for public office someday.

FRANCIS H. DE GROAT AWARD

The Francis H. de Groat award is given to the Political Science Honors student with the highest GPA in Political Science courses.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **ETHAN BEXELL**

Ethan was born and raised in Hibbing, MN. After high school, Ethan attended Hibbing Community College where he received his A.A. degree before transferring to UMD in 2011. At UMD, Ethan pursued a major in Political Science with a minor in Business Administration and graduated Summa Cum Laude in May of 2015. Ethan currently resides in Hibbing and is searching for a position in public administration.

GERHARD E. VON GLAHN SCHOLARSHIP

The von Glahn Scholarship was established in 1995 by James Corson in honor of Professor Gerhard Ernst von Glahn. Von Glahn taught both at UMD and the Duluth Teachers College and was the Political Science Department Head at UMD for decades, retiring in 1979. This scholarship is awarded to the Political Science sophomore with the highest overall GPA.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **ISAAC WINTER**

Isaac is a sophomore majoring in Political Science with a minor in History. He is interested in foreign affairs and American politics. In the near future, Isaac would like to be involved in international policy with other nations.

POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

JERRY AND CAROLYN ZANKO REACHING HIGHER SCHOLARSHIP

Jerry and Carolyn Zanko created this fund in 2007 in honor of their long-time affiliation with the University of Minnesota Duluth. It provides scholarships for full-time juniors or seniors who are studying political science in the Department of Political Science, or who are studying integrated elementary/special education or secondary education in the Department of Education.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **MADELINE CHRISTIAN**

Madeline is a junior Political Science major. She is interested in both American and international public policy as a way of bettering the lives of the less fortunate. After graduation, Madeline would like to work for the government either at the state or national level.

JULIUS F. WOLFF JR. SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established in 1989 in honor of former UMD Professor Julius Wolff. The Wolff Scholarship is awarded to the Political Science junior with the highest overall GPA.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **ANNA JENSEN**

Anna is a junior with a double major in Political Science and Economics, with a focus on Pre-Law. Her plans are to attend law school after graduating from UMD. Anna is highly interested in business, antitrust, or international law.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **CHRISTOPHER WAGNER**

Christopher is a junior majoring in Political Science and Cell and Molecular Biology. He is interested in public health and advocating for the increased use of science in public policy decisions. Christopher is hoping to attend graduate school for public health and American public policy.

THE M. HARRY LEASE JR. SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established in 2001 in memory of M. Harry Lease Jr., an honest and fair man who took pride in his leadership and teaching at UMD. It is awarded to a student majoring in Political Science who shows promise in the field and demonstrates academic achievement.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **ANNA JENSEN**

See bio above.

POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

ROLAND AND EVELYN THEISEN SCHOLARSHIP

Roland Theisen received his BA in Social Sciences from the UMD College of Liberal Arts in 1958. In memory of his late wife, Evelyn, Roland established this scholarship to assist students and perpetuate their life-long commitment to teaching and learning.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **MATISON HANSON**

Matison is a junior majoring in Political Science and Communication, and she is the Legislative Certificate Program Director for UMD's Student Association. In the future, she would love to work with legislation and policy making, possibly even becoming a public servant one day. Matison wants to be the one that stands up for people and what they deserve by making positive and progressive development within our country.

SALLY B. AND JAMES E. JERNBERG SCHOLARSHIP

James E. Jernberg established this scholarship in 2007 in honor of his 50 year marriage to his beloved wife Sally, who passed away in 2004. Sally (Home Econ '54) and James (Bus Econ '57) met while students at the UMD Old Main Campus. The scholarship is awarded to an undergraduate Political Science student with financial need, demonstrated academic and campus leadership, and an interest in public service.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **RUTH AXTELL-ADAMS**

Ruth is a freshmen pursuing a double major in Political Science and Environmental Science. She is interested in social and environmental justice through the public sector. Ruth would like to either work for a nonprofit or a political campaign that addresses these issues.

SOCIOLOGY–ANTHROPOLOGY DEPARTMENT

- Professor and author Eduardo Bonilla-Silva from Duke University spoke on "Colorblind Racism: Racism without Racists," as part of an African and African American Studies Roundtable event.
- After reintroducing the Criminology-Sociology double major option a couple of years ago, the department has seen an increasing number of students choosing this path.
- In celebration of CLA's 30th Anniversary, the department co-sponsored a presentation, "The Black Lives Matter Movement: Common Questions, Local Issues," by Professor Nekima Levy-Pounds from St. Thomas Law School.



ART PULFORD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Dr. Mary H. Pulford created this scholarship in memory of her late husband, Art Pulford. Art Pulford's distinguished career of 32 years in criminal justice, corrections, and education was centered on three core attributes: personal integrity, professional ethics, and justice tempered with compassion. This scholarship supports UMD undergraduate students who are studying Criminology and who are committed to the professionalization of criminal justice agency management and service delivery activities.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JARED FAGEL

Jared is a double major in Criminology and Computer Science from Burnsville, MN. He became an Eagle Scout last year. After he graduates, he plans to work with a federal law enforcement agency working with cyber crimes.

AWARD RECIPIENT: HANNAH NEUKRICHER

Hanna, a Criminology and Psychology double major, grew up in Brooklyn Park, MN. Her life-long goal has been to investigate criminal cases at a government agency, specifically the FBI.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JAKE OTIS

Jake was raised in Baldwin, WI and came to UMD in 2013 to get his undergraduate degree in Criminology with a minor in Deaf Studies. Jake intends on pursuing a master's degree in Social Work after graduation.

SOCIOLOGY–ANTHROPOLOGY DEPARTMENT

BEVERLY ECKLUND LAW ENFORCEMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Beverly Ecklund graduated from UMD in 1971, worked with the Duluth Police Department for 26 years, and then retired as Director of Police and Parking Service at UMD. This scholarship is her way of “giving back” to UMD and to encourage women who wish to pursue a career in law enforcement.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **ANDREA HABERDANK**

Andrea is currently finishing her freshman year and is double majoring in Criminology and Psychology with a Political Science minor. She's involved in the North Shore Climbers Club on campus. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with friends, camping, and reading. After graduation, Andrea intends to pursue a career in law enforcement or counselling.

JAMES L. OTTO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was created in memory of James L. Otto who worked for the Duluth Police Department for 27 years. This scholarship is awarded to a student with aspirations for a career in law enforcement.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **JARED ANDERSON**

Throughout his life, Jared has never had anything handed to him. If he were to describe himself, he'd say that the level of ambition he has parallels none other. In addition, he is extremely well-rounded and hard working. He has two jobs, is a member of two clubs on campus, and takes 18 credits per semester with an average GPA of 3.69.

ROBERT E. FRANZ SCHOLARSHIP

Robert E. Franz joined UMD as faculty in 1967 and throughout his career at UMD served in many capacities including faculty member, department head, associate dean of the College of Letters and Sciences, acting dean of CLA, and acting associate vice chancellor of Academic Administration. Bob's family and friends established this scholarship in his memory to be awarded to undergraduate students majoring in Sociology at UMD.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **HOLLY GEBEL**

Holly, a sophomore double majoring in Criminology and Sociology with a Psychology minor, is from Spring Valley, MN and graduated from Stewartville High School. She enjoys spending time with her niece and nephews and getting together with her friends from high school when she can.

SOCIOLOGY-ANTHROPOLOGY DEPARTMENT

WALTER BAEUMLER AWARD

The Walter Baeumler award is presented each year to an outstanding student in Criminology.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **ASHLEY KANE-ZAFKE**

Ashley is a junior working towards the completion of Criminology and Psychology majors with the goal of working at the federal level in intelligence or behavior analysis, and dreaming of helping make this world a safer place.

OUTSTANDING STUDENT IN ANTHROPOLOGY

Given annually to recognize students who have done exemplary work as reflected not only in course grades, but also in the overall quality of contributions within the programs in Anthropology.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **MARTHA KOPP-REDDY**

Martha is from St. Paul, MN and decided to come to UMD because she was enchanted by the nature inside and surrounding Duluth. Her studies are focused on sustainability and how this concept is approached cross culturally.

IN MEMORIAM...

PROFESSOR JOHN A. ARTHUR

(MARCH 1958 - MARCH 2016)

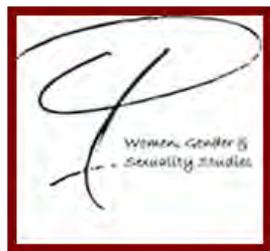
John Arthur was born in Accra, Ghana, and came to the United States in 1992. He began teaching at UMD in 1993. He was the founding director of the African and African American Studies Program, and he served in several

administrative positions, including as faculty fellow for strategic planning, chairman of his department and director of the Study in England Program.

John was a hugely accomplished colleague: at the top of his game as a scholar, a beloved teacher, a friend and cherished colleague to many, and a leader for diversity and social justice on this campus and in the Duluth community. He will be deeply, deeply missed, though what he has accomplished



WOMEN, GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES



- The department had a successful Women's History Month 2016, featuring WGSS faculty presentations, Margaret Randall, feminist poet, writer, photographer, and social activist and Keynote Speaker Winona LaDuke, activist, author, economist, and mother.
- Faculty Showcase featured WGSS collective project "Making Waves: A History of Grassroots Feminist Organizations in the Northland: 1975-2015", written by Beth Bartlett, and was presented to the public in March.
- Professor Beth Bartlett was named UMD's Community Engaged Scholar Award Campus recipient.

JANE MADDY BOOK AWARD

Jane Maddy was one of the founding members of Women's Studies at UMD. She taught Psychology courses that were part of the Women's Studies curriculum, and served on the Women's Studies Advisory Board for many years. She was dedicated to Women's Studies, and feminist scholarship and causes, so we are excited to offer scholarships to Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies majors in her honor.

AWARD RECIPIENT: AMANDA SZCZECH

Amanda is a triple major in WGSS, International Studies and Psychology. She is passionate about environmental justice and its intersection with Women's Studies.

AWARD RECIPIENT: HANNAH SCHLEDER

Hannah is a junior Women's Studies and Political Science major. In Political Science, she finds comparative politics and gender relations to be deeply interesting areas of study, and wishes to focus on them in her upcoming independent study. Hannah is working towards being accepted to a Feminist Studies Master's and PhD program.

WOMEN'S STUDIES LEGACY AWARD

This scholarship was established in 2016 by an anonymous donor from the UMD campus community. The area of women's studies has made a lasting impact on the donor's life and he/she would like to assist a student in achiev-

WRITING STUDIES DEPARTMENT

- The U of M Board of Regents approved a new major in Journalism, which will go into effect in Fall 2016. The revised BA in Writing Studies and the BS in Linguistics continue to flourish.
- The department hosted a visit and special guest lecture by eminent Princeton University linguist Adele Eva Goldberg as part of the CLA 30th anniversary celebration. Dr. Goldberg is best known for the Construction Grammar approach to Cognitive Linguistics.
- More than a dozen faculty and students led panels and workshops, presented their creative and scholarly work, and participated in the Lake Superior Summit on the Teaching of Writing; the Minnesota Writing & English Conference; and the 105th National Council of Teachers of English Annual Convention.
- The journalism program received a Knight Foundation grant for the One River, Many Stories project, which asks area news organizations and storytellers to work together in a regional media collaboration project about the iconic St. Louis River. This project has placed paid student interns at news organizations like KUMD, the Duluth News Tribune, WDSE, and Perfect Duluth Day.



LARRY OAKES JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established to honor the life and memory of Lawrence Victor Oakes III. He was a peerless journalist and professor, an adept handyman, a non-judgmental and remarkable listener, and an uncompromising champion of the human spirit. The Larry Oakes Journalism Scholarship provides an award that the recipient can use towards credit hours in pursuing an internship at a newspaper in the state of Minnesota.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **SAM GAZZOLA**

Sam is a junior at UMD majoring in Journalism. He began writing for the Statesman this year, covering sports. Playing sports is one of his biggest passions and he hopes to incorporate that into his career someday.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **SCOTT LONGAKER**

Scott is currently finishing his junior year at UMD, majoring in Philosophy with a Journalism minor. Scott recently had an audio story he produced, air on Northland Morning on KUMD. He enjoys any time spent with his wife

WRITING STUDIES DEPARTMENT

STEVEN R. FOX JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP

Steven R. Fox, a 1974 UMD graduate and recipient of the 1997 Distinguished Alumni Award, has spent more than 30 years in the journalism profession. He established this scholarship in 2006 to assist and encourage undergraduate journalism students from Minnesota attending UMD who are in good academic standing and demonstrates a financial need.

AWARD RECIPIENT: SCOTT LONGAKER

See bio on previous page.

GUSTAF AND MARY NORDIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Gustaf Nordin was a reporter, editor, and columnist for the Duluth News Tribune, beginning in the Superior Bureau in 1929. He served as a political columnist and correspondent from Washington D.C. for the Duluth News Tribune and other newspapers in Minnesota and the Dakotas. He also produced a weekly radio show, which aired in Minneapolis and Duluth. He became managing editor of the Duluth News Tribune in 1950. Later, he was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize in 1970. This award is given in his memory to a student who is interested in a career in journalism and is in good academic standing.

AWARD RECIPIENT: ANNA FRIEDRICHSEN

Anna is a double major in Journalism and Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies with a minor in English. She grew up in Lino Lakes, MN where she found a passion early on for how words fit together and tell stories.

AWARD RECIPIENT: MIKHAILA LAMPERT

Mikhaila is a double major in Writing Studies and Sociology, with a double minor in Communication and Art History. She's an active member of the Black Student Association and after college, plans to work in publicity with small companies.

AWARD RECIPIENT: SYDNEY SANFORD

Sydney is a sophomore majoring in Communication and minoring in Marketing and Professional Writing. She has dreams of one day moving to Nashville, Tennessee to pursue her dream of becoming a songwriter.

THE ROYAL D. ALWORTH JR. INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

- The Alworth Institute held a series of programs on global immigration and refugees entitled, "Global Migration: Challenges for People, States & the World."
- The Royal D. Alworth, Jr. Memorial Lecture featured Pulitzer-Prize winner Sonia Nazario, author of the book *Enrique's Journey*, which focuses on the issues of mother and child immigration to the U.S. from Central America.
- Director Cindy Christian won the 2015 Staff Sustainability Inspiration Award.
- The Alworth Institute hosted its 9th WorldQuest International Trivia competition with 27 teams from UMD, UWS and St. Scholastica as well as community members. South Korea was the featured country for 2016.
- The CLA/Alworth Institute Passport Program was initiated to encourage students to participate in extracurricular activities.



ALWORTH INSTITUTE STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP

This award is presented to a student demonstrating an interest in acquiring international experience. The award is to provide support for a student to take part in an approved study abroad program.

AWARD RECIPIENT: PAUL WEBER

Paul is an International Studies student who has spent his sophomore year studying alternative approaches to development and the Dzongkha language in Bhutan. This year he has spent a full semester interning with the Bhutan Center for Media and Democracy. Currently he is doing independent work with the Swiss Development Fund in Bhutan.

ROBIN AND MARJORIE BLAGBURN AWARD

This award is presented for academic achievement, personal growth, and leadership in the UMD Study in England Program.

AWARD RECIPIENT: KIMBERLY SEIFERT

Kimberley was chosen for her ability to organize and manage her study abroad experience to ensure that she completed her academic work to the

THE ROYAL D. ALWORTH JR. INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

ROBERT & MARY EVANS STUDY IN ENGLAND SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to a student who attends UMD the year following participation in the Study in England Program. It is based upon intellectual and personal growth and overall contribution to the vitality of the program.

AWARD RECIPIENT: AMANDA HASS

Amanda is an English major and Anthropology minor, who recently explored the intersection of the two disciplines while participating in UMD's Study in England Program (Worcester). She is interested in a career in scientific journalism and also pursuing an advanced degree in Linguistics or Anthropology. Amanda has a demeanor which allows her to reflect and discuss her experiences in a very lyrical way, which has made a very real contribution to the program.

CLA COLLEGE - WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

CLA BOARD OF ADVISORS SCHOLARSHIP

The CLA Board of Advisors established this scholarship to encourage and support outstanding students in the College of Liberal Arts. The Advisory Board members have distinguished themselves in business, law, education, civic engagement, and the military, all credit their liberal arts education as the firm foundation that gave them the tools to succeed. Their hope is that, through this scholarship, they can help a deserving student have an enriching experience at UMD, and that he or she will be able to look back from a future career with fond memories and gratitude for their UMD liberal arts education.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **MADLINE CHRISTIAN**

Madeline is a junior year at UMD, majoring in Political Science with a History minor. She's involved in the Political Science Association and Pre-Law Club on campus. In her free time she enjoys spending time with her family and writing. After graduation she intends to pursue graduate school and a career in lobbying or the law.

THE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

The College of Liberal Arts Scholarship is funded by gifts from alumni and friends. It is awarded annually to undergraduate students in the College of Liberal Arts who have demonstrated high academic achievement in, and commitment to, the liberal arts.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **TONY SALAZAR MEJIA**

Tony is a sophomore at UMD, majoring in Political Science. He is actively involved with the Latino/Chicana Student Association on campus. After graduation, he hopes to go to graduate school and pursue a career in public policy or public service.

CLA COLLEGE - WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

ANNE AND AMELIA TSUI DARE TO CARE SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was created by Dr. Anne S. Tsui who graduated from UMD in 1973, received her masters in industrial relations from the U of M Twin Cities and later her doctorate from the Anderson School of Management at UCLA. This scholarship, named after the theme of the 2010 Academy of Management meeting, for which Anne was the program chair and her 2010 Presidential speech, recognizes students who choose to pursue a career or future studies that will bring value to society, beyond providing a good career for themselves.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **MIRANDA MCALEAVEY**

Miranda is a sophomore at UMD majoring in Criminology with minors in Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies and International Studies. She currently works at Safe Haven Shelter as a Women's Advocate and is a volunteer Sexual Assault Advocate for PAVSA. After graduation Miranda hopes to work for a nonprofit dealing with violence against women.

DANIEL & MARY LEVENDUSKI HUMANITIES SCHOLARSHIP

Daniel and Mary Levenduski, natives of the Twin Ports, were children during the Depression. Both came from large families, and both entered the workplace while still completing their high school educations. For neither of them was a college degree financially possible. Yet both of them embraced the value of a post-secondary education and believed that a broad grounding in the liberal arts was important for future success in all fields. They were grateful to UMD for providing this grounding for their daughter and when, in 1988, they sold the highly successful commercial printing business they started in 1950 in Duluth, they began to give back to UMD and to provide support for the humanities, their daughter's chosen field of study. This scholarship honors them and perpetuates their commitment to the study of the humanities across disciplines at UMD.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **KATRYNA BERTUCCI**

Katryna is a senior majoring in World Religions and Philosophy, with minors in History, English, and Photography. She is actively involved with the on-campus groups Intervarsity Christian Fellowship and UMD's Mortar Board, and in her spare time enjoys exploring the world with her digital and film cameras. After graduation she hopes to pursue a career in international af-

CLA COLLEGE - WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

EBERT STEMBLER SCHOLARSHIP

The Ebert Stembler Scholarship is awarded to CLA students who demonstrate academic excellence and financial need. Mary Ebert and Paul Stembler hope their scholarships will give students the financial flexibility and opportunity to involve themselves in other activities that they find rewarding. Through this scholarship, Mary and Paul hope to inspire others to share the experience, honor and, the feelings of good will that UMD has given them over the past years.

AWARD RECIPIENT: MADISON SACHS

Madi is in her third year at UMD majoring in Hispanic Studies, Biology, and Latin America Studies. She is currently studying abroad in Cusco, Peru for the semester, taking classes, and living with a host family. At UMD Madi is involved with the UMD Honors Program, Mortar Board, Slackline Club, intramural sports, and MPIRG. She also volunteers in the greenhouse on campus. Upon graduation next spring, Madi intends to continue her education in graduate school.

AWARD RECIPIENT: ANNA JENSEN

Anna is a junior at UMD double majoring in Economics and Political Science, with a focus in Pre-law. Her plans include going to law school after graduating, to study business, international, or antitrust law. She is in the University Honors Program and has been accepted into Mortar Board, the Senior Honor Society. Anna is also the treasurer for the Pre-Law Club and is an active member of the University Honors Student Association. Having recently returned from studying abroad in Oxford, England, she enjoys traveling and learning about other cultures.

AWARD RECIPIENT: HANNAH SCHLEDER

Hannah is a junior majoring in Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies and Political Science. She also is pursuing a minor in LGBTQ Studies. Hannah is involved with a number of on campus groups such as the Women's Resource and Action Center and the Queer and Allied Students' Union. She is looking forward to pursuing a Master's and PhD in Feminist Studies as well as raising a family.

CLA COLLEGE - WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

FRANK MCCRAY JR. ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Frank's wife and children honored Frank's wishes and established this scholarship after his passing in 2011. Frank, BA (Engl '67) and MA (Engl '71), often gave credit for his success to his background at UMD. His lifelong passion for reading pushed him to pursue a career in higher education. This diversity scholarship is awarded to a sophomore student with a demonstrated financial need and high academic achievement.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JARED ANDERSON

Jared is studying Criminology and International Studies at UMD. He enjoys skiing and going on walks in his spare time. He plans on going into the DEA and obtaining a Masters of Arts in Criminology from the University of Florida Miami.

AWARD RECIPIENT: MIKHAILA LAMPERT

Mikhaila is a double major in Writing Studies and Sociology, with a double minor in Communication and Art History. She's an active member of the Black Student Association and after college, plans to work in publicity with small companies.

HERBERT SORENSON FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

The Sorenson Family Scholarship is awarded to an outstanding student from the state of Minnesota, with modest economic means, entering his or her junior year in the College of Liberal Arts. Dr. Sorenson was devoted to students and the educational process throughout his life and the scholarship is intended to be a tangible means of recognizing his spirit and perpetuating it to future generations of students and scholars.

AWARD RECIPIENT: NOAH PETTERS

Noah is a junior at UMD majoring in Communication and minoring in Women Studies. He is currently involved in research with the Communication department and working on UROP and Honors Capstone research projects. After graduation he hopes to pursue a career in the gaming industry or health communication and eventually go onto graduate school.

CLA COLLEGE - WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

POTTER LLOYD FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

The Potter Lloyd Family Scholarship was established by Elizabeth Potter Lloyd (Soc Anth '59) and her family. Elizabeth believes that higher education is an important part of a person's growth and maturation, and it also stimulates one to lead a life of continuous learning. She is proud to say that UMD is a special place in this respect as it accomplishes these goals and does so in an affordable manner. This scholarship is awarded to a student with good academic standing and financial need in the College of Liberal Arts at UMD.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **WEIQING HUANG**

Weiqing is a junior at UMD majoring in Communication with a minor in Hispanic Studies. She is currently doing an internship in the Public Relations & Marketing office at UMD and enjoys organizing Chinese New Year celebration event in her spare time. After graduation she hopes to pursue a career in Communication field or go on to graduate school in Public Relations and Corporate Communication.

ROLAND AND EVELYN THEISEN SCHOLARSHIP

Roland Theisen received his BA in Social Sciences from the UMD College of Liberal Arts in 1958. In memory of his late wife, Evelyn, Roland established this scholarship to assist students and perpetuate their life-long commitment to teaching and learning.

AWARD RECIPIENT: **KELSEY GUNVALSON**

Kelsey is a junior year at UMD. studying Environment and Sustainability. She is actively involved in presenting her research at various events such as "The St. Louis River Summit" and at the University of Minnesota: "SELFsustain 2016". She is an avid reader and enjoys playing video games in her spare time. After graduation, she hopes to pursue a career with the US foreign services, the EPA, or attend graduate school.

CLA COLLEGE - WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

TOBIN PEACE AND NON-VIOLENCE SCHOLARSHIP

Raymond Tobin's family set up this scholarship in the hope that, through education, young scholars can become engaged with the world around them at the local, national or international level while promoting an ethic of care and working toward peaceful solutions. The scholarship was founded so that the critical thinking, social engagement and integrity fostered at UMD would shape the lives and livelihoods of the scholarship recipients. This scholarship is awarded to a student in good academic standing who demonstrates a strong interest in non-violence studies.

AWARD RECIPIENT: JOSEPHINA MCMORROW

Josephina is a Mathematics and Linguistics double major, with plans to apply for a TA-ship and attend UMD's grad school program for mathematics after graduation. She is an avid student, who enjoys skiing/snowboarding, rock climbing, and hiking in her free time. She gets outside as much as she can with her daughter, promoting her belief that being physically active is just as important as being mentally active.

VIRGINIA AND MATT KLEMMACK SCHOLARSHIP

David Klemmack is a 1966 graduate of UMD. He, his wife, and other family members established this scholarship in memory of his parents who strongly supported his academic pursuits.

AWARD RECIPIENT: PABLO MELLO

Pablo is a sophomore at UMD double majoring in Chinese Areas Studies and Mathematics. He is actively involved with the Chinese Language Learning Club and enjoys learning new languages, especially Mandarin Chinese, in his spare time. After graduation he hopes to go on to graduate school in Tsinghua University in China and pursue a career in education.

FACULTY TEACHING & RESEARCH AWARDS

CLA RESEARCH AWARD: TENURED FACULTY

RUNA DAS

Dr. Das is an Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science. Her current research focuses on international relations/security studies; United States and South Asia's security relations; and, issues of identity, culture, and peace movements. In addition to her book *Revisiting Nuclear India: Strategic Culture and (In)Security Imaginary* (Sage Publications, 2015), she has published articles on the above themes in several scholarly journals. She is also the recipient of the CLA (2015) Award for Excellence in Teaching.

CLA RESEARCH AWARD: TENURE-TRACK FACULTY

LAURE CHARLEUX

Dr. Charleux has been an Assistant Professor in the Department of Geography, Urban, Environment and Sustainability Studies since 2011. Her current research focuses on daily mobility studies and the development of GIS methods and tools to study spatio-temporal accessibility. She has published in journals such as *Transactions in GIS*, the *International Journal of GIS and Urban Geography*. She also authored and co-authored several book chapters in French.

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CLA TEACHING AWARD: TERM FACULTY

KATIE VAN WERT

"Finding satisfaction in a story or poem should be hard work," English Instructor Katie Van Wert says in an essay about her teaching philosophy and practices. "In this sense, learning is not a matter of mastery, but of openness. Selves are like texts: dynamic cultural constructions made of irreconcilable parts. This may be particularly true of young people, whose identities are more than ever in flux. As students learn to confront the ambiguity in texts, they also learn to honor the ambiguity of their own evolving life stories, and to engage productively with forms of difference within and beyond themselves."

In a letter of support, English Professor Krista Twu describes observing a Women Writers class in which students were leading the day's discussion: "Katie demonstrated incredible discipline and trust in this system of facilitation by remaining silent throughout the process," Dr. Twu writes. "It's rare to see a truly 'decentered' classroom, but Katie genuinely put the onus on the student presenting to determine the pace and method of discussion."

UMD English M.A. graduate Scott Koski writes about taking Dr. Van Wert's course titled Mapping Post-Colonial Literature. "There are few courses in my undergraduate career I have enjoyed as much," he says, "and even fewer professors who have sparked my interest in continuing to explore a subject independently after the course has ended." He also names Dr. Van Wert as a significant influence in helping him get to Ph.D. program at St. John's University in New York.

"As a difficult student," says Satya Putumbaka, "I've also felt the benefits of Professor Van Wert's personal attention and guidance, which were necessary for my success in her class, and in this school. Professor Van Wert is one of the best examples of such a teacher that I've found in this school."

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CHONGWON PARK

"Teaching," says UMD Writing Studies Department Head and Linguistics Professor Chongwon Park, "is a dialogue. So is research. The two are tightly intertwined. My teaching philosophy revolves around the question of how I can connect my research to my teaching for the benefit of my students. A somewhat unexpected outcome of my effort to bridge the gap between my teaching and research has been the improvement of both."

Former students Crystal Smith and Kevin Swanberg wrote letters that define Dr. Park as a professor who is unusually, powerfully, and adroitly committed to fostering critical thinking and problem-solving skills, inspiring students to think innovatively, responding to student needs, requiring students to apply knowledge and explain their reasoning behind those applications, and spending generous, thoughtful time with them outside class and even multiple semesters after classes have ended.

"Dr. Park is more than just a professor," Swanberg says. "He regularly goes above and beyond the typical demands of college-level teaching for his students. I think Dr. Park enjoys seeing his students work through the complicated problems he gives them."

Journalism Professor John Hatcher says, "Dr. Park's motivation is driven by an authentic desire to help our university become more responsive to the needs of current and potential students." He continues, "In his own essay regarding his nomination for this award, Dr. Park concludes by saying he is not sure he is worthy of this award. It is exactly this level of humility that is the foundation of what makes Dr. Park an authentic and good person, motivated by all the best attributes to be a transformative force at UMD."

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JEANINE SCHROER

"Teaching at UMD," says Philosophy Professor Jeanine Weekes-Schroer, "has been the most invigorating, rewarding, and demanding challenge of my career. I have had to work to overcome my weaknesses and to advance upon my strengths." She also works hard to help students, UMD, and her field overcome and advance.

"Philosophy has a serious problem with diversity," says Dr. Weekes-Schroer, "this, combined with my intellectual interests, pedagogical ideals, and personal values commits me to making UMD's philosophy curriculum more diverse and more inclusive." Part of that commitment is developing courses and helping to establish practices that expand the diversity of voices participating in philosophical inquiry at UMD and beyond.

Student Daniel Norgard's letter of support for Dr. Weekes-Schroer names her skill in guiding conversations that can feel challenging for many students: "In a course about race and racism," he says, "Professor Weekes-Schroer took subject matter that can often breed discomfort and presented it in such a way that an entire room of undergrads could conduct comfortable and tactful discourse."

Other letters from former advisees and students remarked on Dr. Weekes-Schroer's generosity and eagerness outside class time. "As an older, non-traditional student," Yasmina Antcliff says, "I struggled a lot when I transferred to UMD. Dr. Schroer's advice and mentoring was an integral part of my success and I ended up graduating summa cum laude. This probably would not have been the case without her mentoring."

It is clear that Dr. Weekes-Schroer has had a profound influence on the lives of many of her students.

NOTES

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