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The title of "Presidential Scholar" is the highest honor Western Michigan University can bestow upon a graduating senior. Each department selects only one Presidential Scholar, and given the strength of our English major cohort, the recipient must display truly exceptional academic achievement. Our Presidential Scholar this year is Christopher Hart, a Lee Honors College student and member of Sigma Tau Delta. Christopher has worked closely with a number of faculty, including his honors thesis advisor, Dr. Nicolas Witschi, and he spent the first half of 2011 in Belgium, studying French language and literature at Katholieke Universiteit Leuven. After graduation, Christopher hopes to spend a year teaching in France, prior to enrolling in a doctoral program in English.

Thursday evening, President John Dunne recognized Christopher and 46 other Presidential Scholars during a ceremony at the Fetzer Center. Christopher's parents, Thomas and Margaret Hart, and his faculty guest, Dr. Gwen Tarbox, accompanied him at the event.

Posted by [Gwen Tarbox](#) at [12:48 AM](#)