March 21, 2012: 2012 Departmental Awards

Department of English
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**2012 Departmental Awards**

The English faculty congratulate the well-deserving recipients of the 2012 departmental awards, who will be honored this Friday. These winners are:

- Presidential Scholar & George W. Sprau Award: Christopher J. Hart
- George Sprau Awards: Jonathan D. Current and William Cope
- William B. Brown Award: Benjamin A. Moran
- William B. Brown Award Honorable Mention: Matthew J. Ftracek
- Ralph N. Miller Award: Grace Brockway
- Patrick D. Hagerty Promising Scholar Awards: Richard Carbonneau, Kalani B. Bates
- Jean & Vincent Malmstrom Award: Ian Hollenbaugh
- Book Awards for English Language and Linguistics: Alana Springsteen, Micah Carlson
- Edward F. Galligan Award: Cody Mejeur
- Frederick J and Katherine Rogers Shakespeare Award (Undergraduate Essay): Benjamin A. Moran
- Bernardine P. Carlson Award: Alexandria S. Sullivan
- Excellence in Rhetoric and Writing Studies: Lacey Johnson
- Nash Scholarships in English Education: John Kreider, Rachel M. Bouma
- McKetta Award for English Education: Josh Blanchard
- Linda Christensen Awards: Amanda Sproule, Tamra Lunford, Ambrose Nolan
- Diversity Studies Essay Awards: Kalani B. Bates, Ross P. Landers
- Adolescent Literature Award: Sara Carroll
- Van Rheenen Awards for Excellence in Teaching College Writing: Courtney Brandt, Krystal Howard
- Effective Teaching Award: Kristin Sovis
- David C. Czuk Award: John Abbott
- Frostic Undergraduate Award for Fiction: “On Being Blessed,” by Claire Robbins
- Frostic Fiction Honorable Mention: “The Scraps,” by Tom Smith
- Frostic Graduate Award for Fiction: “Wake Turbulence,” by Laurie Cedilnik
- Frostic Graduate Award for Fiction Honorable Mention: "White Maple,” by Dan Toronto

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**Gardner Awarded Dissertation Completion Fellowship**

Dear colleagues and students,

The selection committee met this morning to select recipients of the 2012-13 Dissertation Completion Fellowships, and the Graduate College is pleased to announce that the following doctoral students have been awarded these prestigious university fellowships:

Full year (Summer II 2012 through Summer I 2013

Renee Lee Gardner - English
Kirsten Hemmy, Associate Professor and Chair, Center for Integrated Studies, Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, NC, has been awarded a Fulbright Scholar grant to write and do research in Senegal during the 2012-2013 academic year, according to the United States Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.

Hemmy will examine the relationship between African and African American poetry as it crosses the Atlantic and other politicized bodies. Hemmy is one of approximately 1,100 U.S. faculty and professionals who will travel abroad through the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program in 2012-2013.

The Fulbright Program is the flagship international educational exchange program sponsored by the U.S. government and is designed to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries. The primary source of funding for the Fulbright Program is an annual appropriation made by the U.S. Congress to the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Participating governments and host institutions, corporations and foundations in foreign countries and in the United States also provide direct and indirect support. Recipients of Fulbright grants are selected on the basis of academic or professional achievement, as well as demonstrated leadership potential in their fields. The Program operates in over 155 countries worldwide.

Fulbright alumni have achieved distinction in government, science, the arts, business, philanthropy, education, and athletics. Forty three Fulbright alumni from 11 countries have been awarded the Nobel Prize, and 75 alumni have received Pulitzer Prizes. Prominent Fulbright alumni include: Muhammad Yunus, Managing Director and Founder, Grameen Bank, and 2006 Nobel Peace Prize recipient; John Atta Mills, President of Ghana; Lee Evans, Olympic Gold Medalist; Ruth Simmons, President, Brown University; Riccardo Giacconi, Physicist and 2002 Nobel Laureate; Amar Gopal Bose, Chairman and Founder, Bose Corporation; Renée Fleming, soprano; Jonathan Franzen, Writer; and Daniel Libeskind, Architect.

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