

The College of Arts and Sciences
at the
University of Vermont

Awards Ceremony

2015

Music performed by Wayne Schneider, Associate Professor of Music

Prelude music by J. S. Bach, Dietrich Buxtehude, and Ernest Bloch

Processional

Pomp and Circumstance

Edward Elgar

Welcome: Antonio Cepeda-Benito, Dean and Professor of Psychology

Guest Speaker: Sean Field, Professor of History

Professor Field received his A.B. from the University of Michigan in 1992 and his M.A. and Ph.D. from Northwestern University in 1997 and 2002. In 2003 he joined the UVM faculty, where he teaches medieval European history and specializes in thirteenth- and fourteenth-century topics. Field's current research centers on the intersection of sanctity, heresy, political power, and religious institutions at and around the French royal court. His most recent books include *The Sanctity of Louis IX: Early Lives of Saint Louis by Geoffrey of Beaulieu and William of Chartres* (edited and translated with Larry F. Field and M. Cecilia Gaposchkin) (Cornell, 2014); *Marguerite Porete et le Miroir des simples âmes: Perspectives historiques, philosophiques, et littéraires* (as editor with Robert E. Lerner and Sylvain Piron) (Vrin, 2013); *The Rules of Isabelle of France: An English Translation with Introductory Study* (Franciscan Institute Publications, 2013), and *The Beguine, the Angel, and the Inquisitor: The Trial of Marguerite Porete and Guiard of Cressonessart* (Notre Dame, 2012).

Phi Beta Kappa

Remarks: John P. Burke, Associate Dean and Professor of Political Science

Undergraduates Previously Inducted

Ben Blumberg	Kelsey O'Hagan
Casey Coddaira	Craig Pastel
Ana Maria DiMarino	Mitchell Philbin
Hannah Johnson	Benjamin Teasdale
Christopher Kenseth	Pax Templeton
Alyssa Micheli	Emily Whalen
Megan Noonan	Charlie Wilson

Undergraduates Invited for Initiation in Spring 2015

Alyson Atherton	Aidan Holding
Becka Brolinson	Julia Huessy
Nicole Bull	Devin Karambelas
Amy Chalmers	Kylie Keune
Nicolas Chlebak	Prairie Lefebvre
Camille Clancy	Kara L'Italien
Selene Clark	Anne Maheux
Cornelia Clay	Anna Mariani
Josie Colt	Amanda Marquis
Hunter Cropsey	Kerry Martin
Andria Cubero	Kara McDonald
Danielle Curran	Ariel Mondlak
Pamela Derickson	Vicky Mooney
Marshall Distel	Jordan Munger
Luke Dorfman	Derek Neal
Karen Foley	Esther Nemethy
Jessie Gay	Hannah Pike
Anna Gerretson	Katherine Rapoza
Rubin Goldberg	Nicole Sala
Andrew Goss	Kevin Santamaria
Laura Greenwood	Sarah Shaw
Melissa Guzikowski	Emily Sleeper
Alexandria Hall	Samuel Stevens

Emily Stoneking
Kelsey Turner
Kaitlyn Vitez
Brenda Warman

Donna Waterman
Michele Weinstein
Maggie Williams

Honors Thesis Recognition

Remarks: Joel Goldberg, Associate Dean and Associate Professor of Chemistry

Catherine Alexander, Paid Family Leave in the United States: Current Hindrances and Future Feasibility in Vermont. Advisor: Lisa Holmes, Ph.D.

Daniel Allman, Mode Entanglement in the Lieb–Liniger Model. Advisor: Adrian Del Maestro, Ph.D.

Elizabeth Ambros, Biological and Emotional Components of Women's Sexual Response Across the Menstrual Cycle. Advisor: Alessandra Rellini, Ph.D.

Brendan Anderson, Female Agency in the Age of Chivalry: Charting a Tradition of Mutual Chivalry in Chrétien de Troyes. Advisor: Jennifer Sisk, Ph.D.

Harshal Athalye, Functional Characterization of a Drosophila Transgenic Line Expressing a Chimeric Flightin: Implications on Flight Muscle Structure and Mating Behavior. Advisor: Jim Vigoreaux, Ph.D.

Summer Atkinson, Potassium Channel Allele Modulates Chronic Pain Experience. Advisor: John Green, Ph.D.

Alana Benson, Wine–Dark Sheep: Ancient Color in a Modern Greek *Odyssey*. Advisor: Angeline Chiu, Ph.D.

Lida Benson, On the Threshold. Advisor: Sarah Carleton, M.F.A.

Samantha Berthelette, Hard Incompatibilism and Criminal Law. Advisor: Louis deRosset, Ph.D.

Patrick Bonson, Refinement and Analysis of B6.129 Subcongenic 2 Interval.
Advisors: Giuseppe Petrucci, Ph.D., and Jonathan Boyson, Ph.D.

Andrew Bowen, The Social Realm of Eighteenth–Century British Ambassadors to France. Advisor: Paul Deslandes, Ph.D.

Becka Brolinson, A Cross–Country Study of Antidiscrimination Policies on Female Labor Market Outcomes. Advisor: Elaine McCrate, Ph.D.

Marissa Bucci, "It's the End of the World As We Know It (And I Feel Fine)": MTV, Postmodern Theory, and Generational Shifts in the United States. Advisor: Paul Deslandes, Ph.D.

Nicole Bull, To Collect in Earnest: Individuals as Collectors, Founders, and Curators. Advisor: Jennifer Dickinson, Ph.D.

Cole Burton, The Gutai Art Association (1954–1972): One Group's Response to the Context of Postwar Japan. Advisor: Erik Esselstrom, Ph.D.

Jonathon Cahoon, Endoplasmic Reticulum and Mitochondrial Interactions in House Dust Mite Induced Inflammation. Advisors: Christopher Landry, Ph.D., and Vikas Anathy, Ph.D.

Sydney Camisa, Historical, Political, Personal: The Comparative Impact of Sexual Violence and Rape Culture at Prisons and Universities. Advisor: Paul Deslandes, Ph.D.

Nicolas Chlebak, The “Adaptability” of the Balalaika: An Ethnomusicological Investigation of the Russian Traditional Folk Instrument. Advisor: Kevin McKenna, Ph.D.

Camille Clancy, Ayurvedic, Allopathic and Integrated Treatment of Diabetes in Northern India: Practitioner Perceptions. Advisor: Jeanne Shea, Ph.D.

Casey Coddair, Correlates of Parasocial Interactions Across Various Media Figures. Advisor: Keith Burt, Ph.D.

James Contompasis, Study of the Molecular Mechanism of beta-Hydroxy beta-methyl butyrate (HMB) in *Drosophila*. Advisor: Jim Vigoreaux, Ph.D.

Hunter Cropsey, Food and Faith: Theology and Burlington's Local Food Movement. Advisor: Teresa Mares, Ph.D.

Andria Cubero, Bolivia's Path to Neoliberalism: An Examination of the Presidential Career of Victor Paz Estenssoro (1952–1989). Advisor: Sarah Osten, Ph.D.

Danielle Curran, Reevaluating the Sublime in Art through the Use of Language and Text. Advisor: Pamela Fraser, M.F.A.

Clare Devlin, Sound Design for *Much Ado About Nothing*. Advisor: John Forbes, M.F.A.

Julia Dillavou, Parents in Prison: An Examination of Parental Incarceration in the State of Vermont. Advisor: Kathy Fox, Ph.D.

Marshall Distel, Connectivity, Sprawl, and the Cul-de-sac: An Analysis of Cul-de-sacs and Dead-end Streets in Burlington and the Surrounding Suburbs. Advisors: Meghan Cope, Ph.D., and Richard Watts, Ph.D.

Luke Dorfman, Vermont Life Dotcom: Culture and Economy in the Burlington, VT Web Tech Industry. Advisor: Benjamin Eastman, Ph.D.

Shawn Egri, The Role of Protein Structure Conformational Change in Secondary Functions of Threonyl-tRNA Synthetase. Advisors: Christopher Francklyn, Ph.D., and José Madalengoitia, Ph.D.

Shannon Esrich, Gone to Market: Perceptions, Motivations, and Values of Farmers Market Participants in Burlington, Vermont. Advisor: Teresa Mares, Ph.D.

Benjamin Flinn, Investigating the Role of FGF8 Signaling in Neurogenesis of the Developing Zebrafish Eye. Advisors: Alicia Ebert, Ph.D., and Paula Deming, Ph.D.

Katherine Ford, *A Systematic Analysis of Gender and Sexuality in Andy Warhol's Screen Tests*. Advisor: Anthony Grudin, Ph.D.

Jessica Fuller, *Wage Theft, Exploitation and the Implicit Sexualized Exchange Within the Serving Industry*. Advisor: Elaine McCrate, Ph.D.

Jessie Gay, *No Time for Lyme: Public Health Approaches to Lyme Disease in Vermont*. Advisor: Jeanne Shea, Ph.D.

Rubin Goldberg, *Russian and Soviet Nationalities Policy in the Baltic States, 1855–1991*. Advisors: Denise Youngblood, Ph.D., and Kevin McKenna, Ph.D.

Mariel Golden, *Exploring Feminist Theory through Narrative*. Advisors: Patrick Neal, Ph.D., and Nancy Welch, Ph.D.

Andrew Goss, *Popular Support for Authoritarianism in Emerging Democracies*. Advisor: Peter VonDoepp, Ph.D.

Maximillian Grascher, *Strange Days: The American Media Debates The Doors, 1966–1971*. Advisor: Nicole Phelps, Ph.D.

Alexandria Hall, *Northeasterners: Poems on Language & Place*. Advisor: Major Jackson, M.F.A.

Francesca Hall, *Deconstructing Systemic Oppression through Teaching Community Organizing: A Students–Teaching–Students Course*. Advisor: Stephanie Kaza, Ph.D.

Lexi Hanks, *Impact of Legislative Gender Quotas on Gender Violence in Latin America*. Advisor: Caroline Beer, Ph.D.

Joshuah Heath, *Pressure–Energy Relation in Canonical 2D Dipolar Bosons: A Path Integral Monte Carlo Study*. Advisor: Adrian Del Maestro, Ph.D.

Jonathan Heinrichs, *The Place of Classical Chinese Literature in Modern Sino–Japanese Pop Culture: The Case of Cao Cao in *Sanguo Yanyi**. Advisor: Erik Esselstrom, Ph.D.

Tanner Hilbish, Conservationists and Hunters in Southeast Africa: An Anthropological Study and Discourse Analysis of Modes of Identity in a Global Community. Advisor: Teresa Mares, Ph.D.

Elizabeth Hoey, New York Firefighters and Environmental Toxins: Perceived Risk Among NYC's Bravest. Advisor: Stephanie Kaza, Ph.D.

Aidan Holding, "That which cannot be said": A New Approach to Translating Rilke's *Sonnets to Orpheus*. Advisor: Dennis Mahoney, Ph.D.

Julia Huessy, A Pain in the Brain: How PACAP CeA Infusion Alters Mechanical and Thermal Sensitivity. Advisor: Sayamwong (Jom) Hammack, Ph.D., and Michael Cannizzaro, Ph.D.

Brian Jencik, Aggressive Interactions among Kleptoparasitic Spiders on Webs of *Nephila clavipes*. Advisor: Ingi Agnarsson, Ph.D.

Sommer Johansen, Spectroscopic Characterization of A71F Mycobacterium tuberculosis MhuD. Advisor: Matthew Liptak, Ph.D.

Hannah Johnson, In Silico Identification and Biochemical Characterization of Novel CrkL-SH2 Binding Partners. Advisor: Bryan Ballif, Ph.D.

Devin Karambelas, The Authoritative Gaze: Foucault, Surveillance, and the Paranoia Films of the 1970s. Advisors: Thomas Simone, Ph.D., Patrick Hutton, Ph.D., and David Jenemann, Ph.D.

Christopher Kenseth, Characterization of a Bipolar Near-Infrared Laser Desorption/Ionization Aerosol Mass Spectrometer for Analysis of Proteinaceous Matter in Marine Aerosols. Advisor: Giuseppe Petrucci, Ph.D.

Bretton Klinedinst, Moral Foundations Theory: Food Morality and Weight Stigma. Advisor: Carol Miller, Ph.D.

Alyssa Korol, Research and Costume Design for *Our Town*. Advisor: Martin Thaler, M.F.A.

Delainey LaHood–Burns, Narrative Spaces, Animal Bodies, and Affective Performative Disruptions in Cormac McCarthy's *All the Pretty Horses*. Advisor: Mary Louise Kete, Ph.D.

Alan Leggett, Role of Extracellular Signal–Regulated Kinase 5 in Inflammasome Regulation in Malignant Mesothelioma. Advisor: Willem Leenstra, Ph.D., and Arti Shukla, Ph.D.

Margaret Leshner, Digesting BPA: A Comparison Study of Perspective amongst BPA Experts. Advisor: Stephanie Kaza, Ph.D.

Emma Lettiere, The Ethics of Dick and Jane: Examining Ethical Badness Behind Gender Socialization. Advisor: Terence Cuneo, Ph.D.

Sarah Light, The Role of plexinA1 in Visual System Development of *Danio rerio*. Advisor: Alicia Ebert, Ph.D.

Ben Lindstrom–Ives, The Muslim Brotherhood: How Its Troubled History Suggests that It Will Not Merely Survive but Thrive in the Twenty–First Century. Advisors: Peter VonDoepp, Ph.D., and Darius Jonathan, M.A.

Patrick Maguire, The Problem of Global Justice: What Do We Owe Each Other? Advisor: Patrick Neal, Ph.D.

Anne Maheux, Investigation of the Relation between PTSD Symptoms, Self–Compassion, and Social Support. Advisor: Matthew Price, Ph.D.

Inessa Manuelyan, Capsaicin–Induced Calcium Influx and Constriction of the Middle Meningeal Artery. Advisors: Christopher Landry, Ph.D., and George Wellman, Ph.D.

Kerry Martin, Comparative Representations of Vermont's Migrant Latino Farmworkers. Advisor: Hilary Neroni, Ph.D.

Geoffrey Matthews, "Peace Capital": American Media's Coverage of May 1968 in Paris. Advisor: Steven Zdatny, Ph.D.

Jackson Matthews, Determining Shared Working Memory Systems for Rhythmic Incongruities in Music and Language Using Functional Near-Infrared Spectroscopy. Advisors: Michael Canizzaro, Ph.D., and Eugene Delay, Ph.D.

Alyssa Micheli, *Dialogo della institution delle donne: A Translation and Commentary on the Figure of the Widow in Sixteenth-Century Italy*. Advisor: Paolo Pucci, Ph.D.

Ariel Mondlak, Resilience and Change in Native American Narratives: Exhibit Proposal for the Native American Gallery at the University of Vermont's Fleming Museum. Advisor: John Crock, Ph.D.

Victoria Mooney, Attraction, Impulse, and Drive: A Creative Exploration of Humanity's Dark Side. Advisor: Eric Lindstrom, Ph.D.

Meraz Mostafa, Imagined Geographies of the Old North End. Advisor: Pablo Bose, Ph.D.

Jordan Munger, Determination of Soluble CD14 Molecular Weight Variants in Human Plasma. Advisors: Bryan Ballif, Ph.D., and Margaret Doyle, Ph.D.

Derek Neal, Grace, Play, and the Body in the Writings of Albert Camus. Advisor: Joseph Acquisto, Ph.D.

Esther Nemethy, Creating a Resilient Food System in Vermont: Gleaning, Community Engagement, and the Importance of Embracing Complexity. Advisor: Teresa Mares, Ph.D.

Megan Noonan, Lessons on Labeling: A Case Study on Vermont's GMO Labeling Law. Advisors: Robert Bartlett, Ph.D., and Richard Watts, Ph.D.

John O'Keefe, Differentiating the Roles of Redox-Active Cysteine Residues in *Plasmodium falciparum* Thioredoxin Reductase by Using a "Seleno Effect." Advisor: Robert Hondal, Ph.D.

Brittney Palermo, The Definition and Determination of Death. Advisor: Don Loeb, Ph.D.

Craig Pastel, Perceived Stress Predicts Depressive Symptoms following Exercise Cessation. Advisor: Kelly Rohan, Ph.D.

Kyle Robertson, Quantum Monte Carlo Absorption Studies of Helium-4 in Mesoporous Silicates. Advisor: Adrian Del Maestro, Ph.D.

Gregory Royce, World's Finest: Optimism and Pessimism in the Cinematic Portrayals of Superman and Batman, 1943–2013. Advisor: David Jenemann, Ph.D.

Samantha Sawyer, Service Provider Perceptions of Refugees' Needs, Services, and Service Delivery Barriers in Burlington, Vermont. Advisor: Jeanne Shea, Ph.D.

Amber Schneider, The Twilight Art: Flanerie and Its Modern-Day Connections to Vivian Maier and Diane Arbus. Advisor: Anthony Magistrale, Ph.D.

Myles Schulze, The Relationship between Investors and the Media: An Agent-Based Perspective. Advisor: William Gibson, Ph.D.

Emily Shea, Linear Enamel Hypoplasias: Stress during Early Childhood in a Tiwanaku Colony. Advisor: Deborah Blom, Ph.D.

Tierra Shumpert, The Place of Race in the Feminism: An Analysis of the Work of Patricia Hill Collins, Joy James, and bell hooks. Advisor: Patrick Neal, Ph.D.

Samuel Stevens, The Political Economy of Thoreau. Advisor: Robert Taylor, Ph.D.

Emily Stoneking, Spiritual Ideals and Political Realities: Inquisitorial Motivations in the Trial of The Knights Templar in the British Isles, 1307–1312. Advisor: Sean Field, Ph.D.

Christina Strathearn, Detailed Analysis of Structures in the Foot Wall of the Champlain Thrust at Lone Rock Point, Burlington, Vermont. Advisors: Keith Klepeis, Ph.D., and Jonathan Kim, Ph.D.

Sarah Strohmayr, The Provision of Public Goods in Informal Settlements in Kenya: Who Provides What and at What Cost? Advisor: Peter VonDoepp, Ph.D.

Benjamin Teasdale, Role of Mitochondrial UCP2 Protein during Viral Infection. Advisors: Dwight Matthews, Ph.D., and Iwona Buskiewicz, Ph.D.

Julia Torvi, The Measurement of Force Dynamics in Living Cells. Advisors: Matthias Brewer, Ph.D., and Jason Stumpff, Ph.D.

Jennifer Trimble, Lifetime Estrogen Exposure, COMT Genotype, and Cognition in Postmenopausal Women. Advisors: Eugene Delay, Ph.D., and Julie Dumas, Ph.D.

Kaitlyn Vitez, American Food Aid: Development and Disruption in Haiti. Advisor: Benjamin Eastman, Ph.D.

Abigail Waite, The Link between Parental Depression and Parenting Behavior. Advisor: Jamie Abaied, Ph.D.

Kathryn Warrender, The Self and the Writer: Expressive Writing in the Classroom to Promote Mental Health and Writing. Advisor: Eric Lindstrom, Ph.D.

Carlie Wilson, The Role of BBC73C in Paramecium. Advisor: Judith Van Houten, Ph.D.

Charlotte Wonnell, Perceived Trends in ADHD Symptoms, Diagnosis, and Treatment in Vermont Schools. Advisor: Jeanne Shea, Ph.D.

Hazel Wright, Louisa May Alcott's Optic Gaze. Advisor: Mary Louise Kete, Ph.D.

Annie Zheng, Structural Change in the Energy Sector and Greenhouse Gas Emission Control in China: A Computable General Equilibrium Model. Advisor: William Gibson, Ph.D.

College of Arts and Sciences Departmental Awards

Anthropology Awards

Presented by Associate Professor Deborah Blom, Chair

GEORGE HENRY PERKINS AWARD FOR THE OUTSTANDING SENIOR

This award is named for George Henry Perkins, a UVM faculty member in Geology and later Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Perkins is credited with teaching one of the first formal courses in Anthropology at an American university. The Perkins Award is presented to the graduating senior who has demonstrated superior intellectual commitment to Anthropology during the completion of their degree.

Hunter Cropsey

Luke Dorfman

W. A. HAVILAND MEDAL FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN ANTHROPOLOGY

A Mayanist archaeologist by training, William Haviland served UVM for more than 30 years as a faculty member and Chair of the Department of Anthropology. Bill's career was characterized by his desire to apply anthropological perspectives to modern social problems. The Haviland Award is presented to the graduating senior who best exemplifies Bill's commitment to finding solutions for real-world crises through the use of anthropological perspectives.

Shannon Esrich

Riker Pasterkiewicz

JAMES B. PETERSEN ARCHAEOLOGY AWARD

This award is named for Dr. James B. Petersen, a UVM graduate who later returned as a faculty member and Chair of the Department of Anthropology. Jim's enthusiasm for all things archaeological is legendary, leading to substantial intellectual contributions to the archaeology of the Northeast, the Caribbean, and Amazonia. The Petersen Award is presented to the graduating senior with a sub-disciplinary focus on archaeology, who best exemplifies Jim's passion for archaeology.

Katherine Hoadley

Art and Art History Awards

Presented by Associate Professor Kelley Helmstutler Di Dio

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN ART HISTORY

This award is given to a senior Art History major for academic excellence and commitment to the field of Art History.

Cornelia Clay

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN STUDIO ART

This award is given to a senior Studio Art major for academic excellence and commitment to their creative and artistic work.

Danielle Curran

Jacob Lumbra

Asian Languages and Literatures Awards

Presented by Associate Professor Kyle Ikeda

PETER SEYBOLT ACADEMIC AWARD

This award was initiated after the Department of Asian Languages and Literatures was founded in 2007 and was named after the founder of the Department, Professor Peter Seybolt, in August 2012, to commemorate his dedication and contribution to Asian language education. It is given to the top graduating seniors who major in an Asian language based on their academic performances.

Alisa Holm

Christopher Zepf

Biochemistry Awards

Presented by Associate Professor Matthias Brewer, Director

ROBERT WOODWORTH AWARD

The Robert Woodworth Award for highest academic achievement in Biochemistry is named for a native Vermonter who spent his career teaching and mentoring in the Biochemistry Department at UVM. He laid the groundwork for the current undergraduate degree in Biochemistry.

Benjamin Teasdale

JOHN THANASSI AWARD

John Thanassi was a professor of Biochemistry who spent considerable time and effort on early work to establish the Biochemistry major. The award named for him recognizes excellence in both academics and research in Biochemistry.

Zachary Ehret

Biology Awards

Presented by Professor Jim O. Vigoreaux, Chair

KURT MILTON PICKETT AWARD

This award is presented to the student with outstanding academic performance and excellence in research in biology. Dr. Pickett arrived in the Biology Department as an Assistant Professor in 2007 and was promoted to Associate Professor shortly before his death in 2011 after a seven-year courageous struggle with cancer. Dr. Pickett was one of the world's foremost experts in the systematics of wasps and the evolution of social behavior in insects, and he traveled extensively to collect and observe wasps in a wide variety of habitats.

Clare H. Martin

PAUL A. MOODY AWARD

This award is presented to a student with outstanding academic performance and excellence in research in biology. Moody was born in Randolph Center, Vermont in 1903, received his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan, and returned to Vermont to join the Department of Zoology (now Department of Biology). He was a loved teacher, and rose to be Chairperson of the department. Dr. Moody first studied vision in rodents, but is best known for being a founder of modern systematic studies.

Jennifer A. Trimble

BERND HEINRICH AWARD

This award is presented to a student with outstanding academic performance and excellence in research in biology. Dr. Heinrich, Emeritus Professor of Biology, has been a member of the Biology Department since 1980. He has had a long career in science in ecological physiology, animal behavior, and evolutionary ecology. Dr. Heinrich has produced hundreds of publications in the best journals and is often regarded as one of the world's foremost ecologists and naturalists.

Jordan A. Munger

JOAN M. HERBERS AWARD

This award is presented to a student with outstanding academic performance and excellence in research in biology. Herbers arrived at UVM in 1979 as the first tenure-track female professor in the history of the Department of Biology and quickly rose to full professor, the highest rank for a faculty member. Dr. Herbers has been for many years one of the world's most important researchers in animal behavior, especially the social behavior of ants.

Carlie R. Wilson

GEORGE PERKINS MARSH AWARD

This award is presented to a student with the highest academic performance in biology. Marsh was one of the great figures in Vermont and U.S. history. He is regarded as the founder of the environmental movement with his 1864 publication of Man and Nature, which is still in print. The book influenced many important scientific and political figures, including Theodore Roosevelt.

Christopher D. Bernard

Chemistry Awards

Presented by Professor Christopher Landry, Chair

THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY GREEN MOUNTAIN SECTION AWARD

This award is given to an outstanding senior chemistry major for academic performance in chemistry.

Christopher Kenseth

CHARLES E. BRAUN AWARD

The Braun Award is given to an outstanding senior chemistry major for performance of research in chemistry in memory of Charles Braun, former Department Chair and the first Dean of the Graduate College.

Shawn Egri

Classics Awards

Presented by Professor Mark Usher, Chair

THE FREDERICK ARNOLD VINTON PRIZE

The Frederick Arnold Vinton Prize was established in 1951 by Hope Vinton in honor of her father, a medical doctor. It is awarded to "the student or students, male or female, who shall exhibit, in the opinion of the majority of the professors and instructors in Latin and Greek, exceptional proficiency in the study of said languages."

Maxwell Freedlund

JOHN H. KENT MEMORIAL AWARD IN CLASSICS

The John H. Kent Memorial Award honors a UVM Professor and Chair of Classics and former Dean of the Graduate College in the '50s and '60s, who had a very distinguished career as an epigraphist. It is awarded to the best overall senior or seniors in Classics.

Alana Benson

Computer Science Award

Presented by Professor Maggie Eppstein, Chair

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

This award is given to the top senior Computer Science major based on their academic performance as well as their commitment to the field of Computer Science.

Christopher Young

Economics Awards

Presented by Associate Professor Sara Solnick, Chair

JOHN H. CONVERSE AWARD

This award is for a senior whose academic achievement is outstanding. It is named in honor of John H. Converse, a former trustee of the University who was instrumental in establishing coursework in Economics at UVM in 1899.

Colby Nadeau

FREEMAN SALTUS AWARD

This award recognizes seniors with high academic achievement. It was established in 1950 as a bequest from Freeman M. Saltus.

Samuel Stevens

S. WILLIAM GERSTEN SCHOLARSHIP

This award recognizes the high achievement economics major from out of state. S. William Gersten was a 1965 UVM graduate in economics, who went on to a successful career on Wall Street.

Myles Schulze

PHILIPP H. LOHMAN AWARD

This award for an outstanding economics major is named for Professor Lohman, who served as professor and chair of the Economics Department from 1945–1963.

Ana Maria DiMarino

English Awards

Presented by Professor Valerie Rohy, Chair

SAMUEL N. BOGORAD AWARD

Given in memory of English professor Samuel Bogorad who taught from 1946 to 1982, it is presented to one outstanding senior majoring in English.

Luke Dorfman

WILLARD B. POPE AWARD

In honor of Dr. Willard Pope, Professor Emeritus of English, this award is given to a student who excels in the study of Romanticism.

Alexandria Hall

BENJAMIN B. WAINWRIGHT AWARD

Professor Wainwright taught at UVM from 1925 to 1963. This prize is given to the student who submits the best poem each year.

Alexandria Hall

Environmental Sciences Award

Presented by Professor Charlotte Mehrstens, Director

OUTSTANDING SENIOR AWARD

The Environmental Sciences Program faculty present this award to the most outstanding graduating senior on the basis of overall GPA, GPA in Environmental Science courses, as well as excellence in undergraduate research.

Nicole Sala

Environmental Studies Awards

Presented by Professor Stephanie Kaza, Director

OUTSTANDING GRADUATING SENIOR AWARD IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

The Environmental Studies Program faculty present this award to the graduating seniors who have demonstrated academic excellence, environmental leadership, and campus and community activism and service.

**Karen Foley
Megan Noonan
Joseph O'Brien
Alyssa Solomon**

Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies Program Awards

Presented by Associate Professor Felicia Kornbluh, Director

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN GENDER, SEXUALITY, AND WOMEN'S STUDIES

The Outstanding Senior Award honors students who embody a combination of theory and activism.

Rocko Gieselman

ELLEN HAMILTON AND LIDA MASON AWARD

The Ellen Hamilton and Lida Mason Award honors academic excellence in Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies.

**Elizabeth Ambros
Sydney Camisa**

Geography Awards

Presented by Professor Meghan Cope, Chair

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN GEOGRAPHY

This award is given to the top senior Geography major(s) based on their academic performance as well as their commitment to the field of Geography.

Marshall Distel

Meraz Mostafa

Geology Awards

Presented by Associate Professor Andrea Lini, Chair

CHARLES G. DOLL AWARD

The Charles Doll Award is given to the most outstanding graduating senior in Geology. Charles Doll was the state geologist and began teaching full time at UVM in 1927. He was Chairman of the Department of Geology from 1946 until his retirement in 1964. He also produced the first state bedrock geologic map. The selection criteria for the Doll Award are based on a combination of overall grade point average, grade point average in Geology, undergraduate research, and service to the Department. The recipient of this award receives a gift and their name is engraved on a plaque that hangs in the Department seminar room. The list of Doll Award winners is a distinguished one and includes individuals who have gone on to significant professional achievements.

Christina Strathearn

German and Russian Awards

Presented by Professor Helga Schreckenberger, Chair

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN GERMAN

This award is given to a senior German major for academic excellence and commitment to the field of German Studies.

Aidan Holding

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN RUSSIAN

This award is given to a senior Russian major for academic excellence and commitment to the field of Russian Studies.

Nicolas Chlebak

Kristen Rouse

Global and Regional Studies Awards

Presented by Associate Professor Erik Esselstrom, Asian Studies Program Director, and Associate Professor John Waldron, Spanish

CLAIRE M. LINTILHAC MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ASIAN STUDIES

Claire M. Lintilhac lived and worked in China for fifty years, often as a midwife in remote areas of rural China. She spent the last several decades of her life in Stowe, and her gifts have long supported scholarship of Asia at UVM, primarily through a lecture series that bears her name. This award is given to the outstanding senior in Asian Studies based on his or her academic performance and commitment to the study of Asia.

**Jonathan Heinrichs
Hannah Pike**

GLOBAL STUDIES SCHOLAR AWARD

Presented to the outstanding senior who exhibits exceptional scholarship in Global Studies and in all courses in Arts and Sciences, as well as achievement in independent research and scholarship.

Sarah Shaw

GLOBAL STUDIES COMMUNITY ACTIVISM AND ENGAGEMENT AWARD

Presented to a graduating Global Studies major who balances a commitment to academic excellence and sustained involvement in creating positive social change through community activism and engagement in Vermont or beyond.

Elizabeth Amler

THE PEDRO ALBIZU CAMPOS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STUDIES

The award is named after a hero of the independence movement in Puerto Rico who was a student at UVM before transferring to Harvard, where he earned his law degree. It recognizes excellence in the field of Latin American and Caribbean Studies.

Andria Cubero

History Awards

Presented by Associate Professor Paul Deslandes, Chair

PAUL D. EVANS AWARD

The History Department annually recognizes its outstanding graduating senior history major(s) with the strongest academic record (as measured by overall grade point average and grade point average in History courses) with the Paul D. Evans Award for Excellence in History. Paul D. Evans had a

distinguished career as a professor of history from the 1930s until his retirement in 1972. Consideration is also given to the level of difficulty of the courses taken within the major and preference accorded to those students doing a senior honors thesis in History.

Emily Stoneking

PHI ALPHA THETA ESSAY PRIZE

The History Department annually recognizes the best seminar paper nominated by a history faculty member and submitted by a student to the Phi Alpha Theta Essay Prize committee. The winning paper is expected to present an original argument and be based on primary historical evidence.

Cole Burton

GORAN PRIZE IN AMERICAN HISTORY

The History Department annually recognizes an outstanding junior or senior major working in the field of American history. Candidates for the prize are nominated by faculty on the basis of academic achievement and all nominees are required to submit a major piece of academic writing in being considered for the award. Intended to honor the academic achievements of a student who hopes to pursue a career in history or the public humanities, the prize was established in 2014 by UVM alumnus Arnie Goran '54 and his wife Mariel.

Patrick Maguire

Mathematics Awards

Presented by Professor Jeff Buzas, Chair

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN MATHEMATICS

The award is given annually to the senior who has demonstrated outstanding performance in Mathematics.

Lillian Coletta

Music and Dance Awards

Presented by Professor D. Thomas Toner Jr., Chair

YANDELL OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN MUSIC AWARD

The Yandell award is given to a graduating senior who has made an outstanding contribution to the musical life of the department.

Daniel Parsons

YANDELL PRIZE

This prize is given to the student who, in the opinion of the Music Department faculty, has shown the most improved performance over their time at UVM.

Christopher Von Staats

THE AMANDA CUP

This award is given for excellence in vocal or instrumental composition. The awardee's name is inscribed in a silver cup kept in the Music Department. The award is named after "Amanda," the best known hymn-tune of Vermonter Justin Morgan.

Logan Mills

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN DANCE AWARD

This award is given to a graduating senior(s) who has high academic achievement and has made an outstanding contribution to dance at UVM.

Carolyn Conner

Erica Raff

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE/CHOREOGRAPHY AWARD

This award is given to a graduating senior(s) who has a minor in Dance and has produced an outstanding performance and/or choreographic work at UVM.

Carolyn McCarthy

Chanel Simmons

Neuroscience Awards

Presented by Associate Professor Sayamwong E. Hammack, Director

RODNEY PARSONS AWARD

This award is given annually to a graduating senior neuroscience major who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in scholarship, leadership, and research in the field of neuroscience. The award is named for Rodney Parsons, who joined the UVM faculty in 1967, and served as Chair of the Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology from 1979–2013, and since 2001 has served as the

Director of the UVM Center of Biomedical Research Excellence in Neuroscience. In addition to maintaining an outstanding research program, Dr. Parsons played an integral leadership role in developing and promoting neuroscience research and education at UVM.

Sarah Light

BRUCE S. KAPP AWARD

This award is given annually to a graduating senior in neuroscience who has conducted outstanding independent research in neuroscience, while maintaining high scholastic standards overall. The award is named for Bruce Kapp, who was a Professor of Psychology from 1971–2001. In addition to playing an integral role in promoting excellence in neuroscience research and scholarship at UVM, Dr. Kapp was a pioneer in the study of the neurobiology of emotion, and his work has dramatically influenced and directed the research of subsequent scientists in the field. Dr. Kapp was also a champion for involving undergrads in research and publishing with undergraduate students as co-authors on scientific journal articles.

Summer Atkinson

Angela Brisson

Philosophy Awards

Presented by Associate Professor Louis deRosset, Chair

JOHN DEWEY PHILOSOPHY PRIZE

The John Dewey Philosophy Prize, named in honor of UVM's most illustrious alumnus, is awarded by the Department of Philosophy to students for outstanding undergraduate coursework and research done in the discipline of Philosophy.

Samantha Berthelette

Amanda Lowe

Physics Awards

Presented by Professor Dennis Clougherty, Chair

DAVID W. JUENKER PHYSICS PRIZE

David W. Juenker was a well-known and skillful experimental physicist and professor. In honor of Professor Juenker, the faculty of the Department of Physics give this award to a senior physics major for outstanding scholarship in physics. The award carries a prize and a physics reference handbook.

Kyle W. Robertson

Plant Biology Awards

Presented by Professor David Barrington, Interim Chair

AWARD FOR SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE IN RESEARCH

The faculty in Plant Biology present this monetary award each year to a senior(s) in the Department with superior academic record and investment in the research and teaching activities of the Department.

Mitchell O'Neill

Sarah Powell

Political Science Awards

Presented by Professor Robert V. Bartlett, Chair

WARREN R. AND MILDRED AUSTIN PRIZE FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

Warren R. Austin (UVM class of 1899) won a special election to the U.S. Senate from Vermont in 1931 and was subsequently re-elected to two full terms. He resigned his seat in August 1946 when he was appointed by President Truman as the second United States Ambassador to the United Nations, serving in that capacity from 1946 to 1953. This prize, established by the generous bequest of Warren and Mildred Austin, is given to the graduating senior who excels in the study of international relations, as chosen by the international relations faculty of the department.

Maggie Love

DEPARTMENTAL PRIZE IN POLITICAL THEORY

This award, selected by the political theory faculty of the department, is given to the graduating senior political science major who excels in his or her coursework in, research about, and commitment to the study of political theory.

Samuel Stevens

PHILO SHERMAN BENNETT PRIZE

Philo Sherman Bennett's 1905 will bequeathed \$10,000 to be distributed to twenty-five colleges for the establishment of a prize for "the best essay discussing the principles of free government." Bennett prizes are awarded at, among other institutions, Princeton, Harvard, Yale, Brown, the

University of Oregon, the University of California at Berkeley, and Bowdoin. The prize is awarded by the department's political theory faculty to the student who submits the best essay in the field of political theory to the competition.

Samuel Stevens

DEPARTMENTAL PRIZE IN COMPARATIVE POLITICS

Comparative politics is the study of the domestic political systems and processes of countries other than the United States. This award, selected by the comparative politics faculty of the department, is given to the graduating senior political science major who excels in their coursework in, research about, and commitment to the study of comparative politics.

Andrew Goss

ELLIOTT A. BROWN AWARD FOR THE OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

This award was established through a generous endowment by Elliott A. Brown, who majored in Political Science in the department and graduated from UVM in 1959. It was established in memory of his parents, Marguerite (Peg) F. Brown and Louis E. Brown. It is given annually by the department's director of undergraduate studies, in consultation with the faculty, to recognize the outstanding graduating senior major in the department for academic achievement and demonstrated leadership capabilities in the study and practice of political science.

Megan Noonan

FRANK M. BRYAN PRIZE IN AMERICAN POLITICS

This award, selected by the American politics faculty of the department, is given to the graduating senior political science major who excels in his or her coursework in, research about, and commitment to the study of American politics. It is named in honor of Prof. Frank M. Bryan, who retired from the department after 36 years of loyal service to the department, the University, and the state of Vermont. It is supported by the contributions of a number of Prof. Bryan's friends and colleagues.

Danielle Curran

Psychological Science Awards

Presented by Professor William A. Falls, Chair

DONALD G. FORGAYS OUTSTANDING SENIOR AWARD

The award is given annually to a senior psychology major who has demonstrated outstanding scholarship in all courses in Arts and Sciences as well as achievement in independent research and scholarship. This awardee has among the highest GPAs of psychology majors and has completed notable scholarly projects in or out of the classroom. The award is named for Donald G. Forgays, who was Professor of Psychology at UVM from 1964 until his death in 1993. Department Chair Forgays guided the expansion of the department and the establishment of its doctoral program, which is now internationally known.

Megan Kurmin

Anne Maheux

HEINZ L. ANSBACHER AWARD

*The award is given annually to a senior psychology major who has conducted outstanding research or scholarship with a humanistic element in the tradition of individual psychology. This award is named for Heinz L. Ansbacher, who was Professor of Psychology at UVM from 1946–1963. Ansbacher is considered among the leading early followers of the Adlerian school of thought. In collaboration with his wife, Rowena Ansbacher, their major contribution, *The Individual Psychology of Alfred Adler* (1954), is still the definitive text on Individual Psychology and remains in print today,*

Anna Pirog

Hannah Sherman

JOHN DEWEY AWARD

This award is given annually to two seniors (one of whom must be a psychology major) who have conducted outstanding independent research in psychology while maintaining high scholastic standards overall. This award is named for John Dewey, an 1879 alumnus of UVM who pursued a career in education, philosophy, and psychology, and was a noted educator and philosopher. Often known as "the father of progressive education," a movement that flourished in the early twentieth century and continues to influence modern educators, Dewey believed that experience was the best way for students to learn how to create the conditions for democracy, solve social problems, and engage in moral decision-making. Undergraduate independent research is such a tool.

Bretton Klinedinst

Jenny Newton

GEORGE W. ALBEE AWARD

This award is given annually by the Board of Trustees of the Vermont Conference on the Primary Prevention of Psychopathology to a senior psychology major who has demonstrated exemplary

interest, competence, and originality in subject matter and course work related to the topic of prevention of psychopathology. The award is named for George W. Albee, who was Professor of Psychology at UVM from 1971 to 1992. A former President of the American Psychological Association and internationally known scholar, Albee was among the most notable pioneers of the primary prevention movement in Psychology around the world.

Kendall Sweeney

Religion Awards

Presented by Professor Kevin M. Trainor, Chair

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN RELIGION

The award recipient is chosen by the department faculty based on the student's scholarly excellence in the department and university, as well as their active engagement in department activities.

Kathryn Meader

Romance Languages and Linguistics Awards

Presented by Professor Lokangaka Losambe, Interim Chair

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN FRENCH

The award is given annually to the senior who has demonstrated outstanding performance in French.

Derek Neal

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN ITALIAN STUDIES

The award is given annually to the senior who has demonstrated outstanding performance in Italian.

Alyssa Micheli

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN LINGUISTICS

The award is given annually to the outstanding linguistics graduate. This award exemplifies academic success, research ability, and overall excellence in and enthusiasm for the study of language.

Aidan Holding

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN SPANISH

The award is given annually to the senior who has demonstrated outstanding performance in Spanish.

Anna Mariani

Sociology Awards

Presented by Professor Thomas Streeter, Chair

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN SOCIOLOGY

This award is given to the graduating senior whose outstanding academic work has both reflected and perpetuated the sociological enterprise inside the classroom and beyond.

Maggie Williams

VALERIE MOORE MEMORIAL T.A. AWARD

This award is presented to the graduating senior who, as a teaching assistant, exemplified the special teaching commitment and effectiveness of Professor Valerie Ann Moore (1997–2006).

Megan Kurmin

FRANK SAMPSON EXCELLENCE IN SOCIAL THEORY AWARD

This award is given in the spring to a graduating senior who has excelled in social theory and intends to go to graduate school. Samuel "Frank" Sampson was a founding member of UVM's AKD and a professor and Chair in the Sociology Department, whose interests were many, but whose passion was social theory. It is hoped, through this award, to support and encourage students in the academic commitment to the development of sociological theory. This award will be paid to the student upon enrollment in graduate school.

Amy Chalmers

Richie Heap

JEANNETTE R. FOLTA MEMORIAL AWARD

This special award is given to the graduating senior who has succeeded academically by virtue of special fortitude in the face of significant challenges and has plans to pursue a graduate degree.

Richie Heap

Theatre Awards

Presented by Professor Jeffery Modereger, Acting Chair

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN THEATRE

The Outstanding Senior in Theatre Award is presented to the theatre major or minor who has demonstrated a competence in and enthusiasm for several areas of theatrical production. The recipient of this award will have provided substantial evidence of an understanding of the important interrelationships that exist between all aspects of theatrical production. A combination of quality work in the classroom and production are the prerequisites for consideration for this recognition.

**Catherine Crumbley
Marykate Scanlon**

DR. GEORGE B. BRYAN AWARD FOR SCHOLARSHIP

This award reflects the belief that sound theatre practice is grounded in a firm grasp of theatre history, literature, and theory. It recognizes the theatre major or minor whose scholarly work reflects high achievement through effective research techniques, exemplary writing skills, and keen analytical insight.

Alyssa Korol

THE EDWIN W. LAWRENCE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING DEBATER

This award is presented to the UVM student who demonstrates distinction in competitive debates, helps and teaches other debaters on the team, and demonstrates an ethic of hard work and determination.

Maribel Golden

Recessional music by Gordon Young, J. S. Bach, and William Selby

Reception to follow in Billings