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# **Annual Graduate Faculty Meeting**

**April 17, 2014  
3:30 - 4:15 p.m.  
Seerley 115**

**Reception in the Great Reading Room  
4:15 - 5:00 p.m.**

## *Agenda*

Welcome - Dr. Gayle Pohl

Student Awards – Dean Michael Licari &  
Associate Dean Shoshanna Coon

Milestone Awards – Dean Michael Licari &  
Dr. Gayle Pohl

Faculty Awards - Dean Michael Licari &  
Dr. Gayle Pohl

Recognition of Brown Bag Presenters -  
Dean Michael Licari & Dr. Gayle Pohl

Graduate Education at UNI -  
Dean Michael Licari

Discussion of Hybrid and Online Graduate Programs –  
Graduate Alumni: Pam Hartman, Renee Borglum and  
Dr. Clayton Edwards

Closing Comments - Dr. Maureen Clayton

Reception in the Great Reading Room

## *Thank you to the 7th Annual Graduate Student Symposium Judges:*

### Poster Presentations:

Phyllis Baker, CSBS, Sociology, Anthropology & Criminology  
Richard Featherstone, CSBS, Sociology, Anthropology  
& Criminology  
Eric Hiris, CSBS, Psychology  
John Johnson, CSBS, History  
Cynthia Juby, CSBS, Social Work  
Karla Krueger, COE, Curriculum & Instruction  
Lauren Nelson, CHAS, Communication Sciences & Disorders  
Audrey Rule, COE, Curriculum and Instruction  
David Saunders, CHAS, Biology  
Paul Shand, CHAS, Physics  
Julie Zhang, CHAS, Technology

### Oral Presentations:

Darcie Davis-Gage, CSBS, School of Applied Human Sciences  
Kavita Dhanwada, CHAS, Biology  
Chris Larimer, CSBS, Political Science  
Chris Martin, CHAS, Communication Studies  
Charles McNulty, COE, Educational Leadership &  
Postsecondary Education  
Catherine Macgillivray, CHAS, Women's & Gender Studies  
Katherine van Wormer, CSBS, Social Work

### Creative Performances:

Melinda Boyd, CHAS, School of Music  
Angeleita Floyd, CHAS, School of Music  
Wendy Hoofnagle, CHAS, Languages & Literatures  
Nancy Lippens, CHAS, School of Music



Jack Yates, Psychology, & Carole Yates, CEEE  
*Changing Minds, Changing Behaviors,  
and the Changing Climate*

Marybeth Stalp, Sociology, Anthropology,  
and Criminology & Therèsa M. Winge,  
Michigan State University  
*Guerillas in the Knit: Guerilla Knitters, Yarn  
Bombing, and Craftivism in Contemporary  
North America*

Gary Gute & Deanne Gute, Creative Life Research Center  
*Complexity as a Catalyst for Flow and Creativity in the Early  
Family Lives of Highly Creative People*

Sarah Diesburg, Computer Science  
*Ghosts of Past Data: Challenges and Advances  
in Secure Deletion of Files*

### *Special Thanks*

The Graduate College extends our thanks to our graduate assistants Scotti Hagensick, Anthony Roth, and RaeAnn Swanson for their work on *UNI Grad Student News*, the Graduate Student Advisory Board, and especially, the Seventh Annual Graduate Student Symposium.

Sincerely,

Susie Schwieger  
Michael Licari  
Shoshanna Coon  
Cheryl Nedrow  
Janet Witt  
Lisa Steimel

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## *2013-2014 Milestone Award Recipients*

*The Milestone Award recognizes faculty who have chaired 10 or more graduate student culminating projects (theses, dissertations, research papers, creative projects, or other equivalent graduate student culminating projects). The following faculty were nominated by their departments during the past year:*

### **Chemistry & Biochemistry**

Dawn Del Carlo

### **Psychology**

Adam Butler  
Michael Gasser

### **School of Health, Physical Education, & Leisure Services**

Christopher Kowalski

Joe Wilson

Kathy Scholl

Rodney Dieser

Julianne Gassman

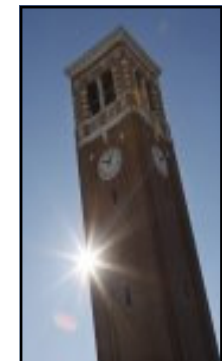
### **History**

John Johnson

### **Curriculum & Instruction**

Jean Donham

Sarah Montgomery



## *Student Awards*

### Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation

Clayton Edwards, *“Comparing Middle School Students’ Learning and Attitudes in Face-to-Face and Online Mathematics Lessons”*

Co-chairs: Audrey Rule and Greg Stefanich,  
Curriculum & Instruction

### Outstanding Master’s Thesis

First Place: Katelyn Santy, *“Where Loyalties Lie: A Study of Workplace Dissent Through the Lens of Loyalty”*

Advisor: Jayne Morgan, Communication Studies

Second Place: Jon Pedersen, *“Circulating and Organizational Testosterone and the Perception of Dominance”*

Advisor: Catherine Desoto, Psychology

Third Place: Darrina Bledsoe, *“Predicting Commitment for Those in Military Relationships”*

Advisor: Helen Harton, Psychology

### Outstanding Master’s Research Paper

First Place: Emily Guetzlaff, *“The Effects of Peer-Conferencing on Writing Revisions in a Second Grade Classroom”*

Advisor: Rick Traw, Curriculum & Instruction

Second Place: Meredith Stensland, *“Sex Offender Laws: A Policy Analysis”*

Advisor: Cindy Juby, Social Work

## *Brown Bag Lecture Presenters 2013-2014*

Melissa Beall, Communication Studies  
*Why Your Students Don’t Listen*

K N (‘Raj’) Rajandren, Marketing  
*Identifying Attributes that ‘Really’ Matter*

Kevin Finn, School of HPELS  
*Studies in Hungary – Reflections of a Fulbright Experience*

Bettina Fabos, Communication Studies  
David Grant, Adrienne Lamberti and Jim O’Loughlin,  
Languages and Literatures  
*“The Digital Turn: A Roundtable”*

Chris Larimer, Political Science  
*A Stranglehold on Power: Explaining Gubernatorial Stability in Iowa*

Dale Cyphert, Management  
*Teaching the System: Principles of Complexity as a Blueprint for Communication Pedagogy*

Katherine van Wormer, Social Work  
2012-2013 Distinguished Scholar  
*The Maid Narratives: A Presentation for Black History Month*

Patrick Pease, Geography  
*The Prodigious Barrier of the Sand Sea: Discovering the Source of Sand for Wahiba Sand Sea*

### Creative Writing

First Place, Xavia Publius, Women's and Gender Studies (MA)

*"Looking Glass"*

Advisor: Dr. Danielle McGeough

Second Place, Rachel Routier, English: Creative Writing (MA)

*"Roots of Green"*

Advisor: Dr. Vince Gotera

### *Faculty Awards*

#### Outstanding Graduate Faculty Teaching Award

Dr. Dawn Del Carlo

Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry

This award honors outstanding graduate teaching, which includes commitment to academic excellence; attention to individual student needs, interests, and development; excellent teaching of graduate courses; and service on thesis and dissertation committees.

#### Distinguished Scholar Award

Dr. Melissa Beall

Department of Communication Studies

This award honors senior scholars and artists with a long and distinguished record of publications, exhibits and/or creative activities while a member of the UNI faculty, whose professional reputation is national (and international where appropriate).

Third Place: Renea Reichenbach, *"Conscientious Objectors in America: A Comparative Study of the Treatment of*

*Conscientious Objectors in WWI & WWII"*

Advisor: John Johnson, History

#### Outstanding Creative Master's Thesis Award

Alissa Cornick, *"Apothecary and Other Stories: A Short Fiction Collection"*

Advisor: Jim O'Loughlin, Languages & Literatures

### *Graduate Student Symposium Awards*

#### Oral Presentations

Second Place (Tie), Room 1, Sandra Flikkema, Communication Studies: Organizational Communication (MA)

*Ritual Interrupted: Getting 'Fired' Gets Laughs and Shifts*

*Power in Organizations On and Off Television*

Advisor: Dr. Laura Terlip

Second Place, Alexa Juhl, Health Education: Community Health Education (MA)

*A Case Study: Sex Education Practices in Mainline Protestant Denominations*

Advisor: Dr. Susan Roberts-Dobie

Second Place, Brock Rozich, Psychology: Social Psychology (MA)

*Atheists Experience Harsher Attributions Than*

*Their Non-Religious Counterparts*

Advisor: Dr. Kim MacLin

First Place, Room 2, Laura Trettin, Postsecondary Education:  
Student Affairs (MAE)

*The Effects of Living in a Springboard House During One's  
First Year at the University of Northern Iowa*  
Advisor: Dr. Michael Waggoner

Second Place, Room 2, Asha Ganesan, Psychology:  
Social Psychology (MA)

*Gender Differences in Self-Concept Consistency and  
Career Choices Under Stereotype Threat*  
Advisor: Dr. Helen Harton

First Place, Room 3, Melanie Abbas, Technology (DT)

*Development of a Multi-Mode Self-Adaptive Traffic  
Shaping Algorithm for an Efficient Network*  
Advisor: Dr. Jin Zhu

Second Place, Room 3, Darshak Dodiya, Technology:  
Industrial Management (MS)

*Analysis of Use of Automated Tools for Improving  
the Process of Software Verification and  
Validation in a Midwestern Company*  
Advisor: Dr. Ali Kashef

Poster Presentations  
Project

First Place, Luci Dumas, Psychology:  
Clinical Science (MA)

*Control and Personality Traits on  
Life Goals in Offenders*  
Advisor: Dr. Sundé Nesbit

Second Place, Rachel Meisinger, Psychology:  
Clinical Science (MA)

*Sluggish Cognitive Tempo in the Classroom:  
Under-Identified by Teachers*  
Advisor: Dr. Elizabeth Lefler

Research

First Place, Matthew Cooney, Geography (MA)  
*Understanding Long-Term Spatiotemporal Dynamics of  
the Taimyr Reindeer Herd in a Changing Environment*  
Advisor: Dr. Andrey Petrov

Second Place (Tie), Lingxiu Chen, Technology: Engineering  
Management (MS)

*Enhanced Pulse-Position Modulation (PPM) in  
Ultra-Wideband (UWB) Systems*  
Advisor: Dr. Jeffery Nie

Tsamchoe Dolma, Psychology: Social Psychology (MA)

*The Role of Emotion Regulation In Academic  
Emotions and Academic Achievement*  
Advisor: Dr. Dilbur Arsiwalla

Literature Review

First Place, Ranjana Joshi, Technology (DT)  
*Harvesting Ambient Energy to Power  
Wireless Sensor Nodes*  
Advisor: Dr. Jin Zhu

Second Place, Brittany Lewno, Psychology:  
Clinical Science (MA)

*Stigma or Support? A Comparative Literature Review of the  
Stigma Associated with Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity  
Disorder (ADHD) and Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)*  
Advisor: Dr. Elizabeth Lefler

Creative Performance: Musical Performance

Katherin Kneisley, Performance: Voice (MM)  
*Come scoglio from Cosi fan tutte by Mozart*  
Advisor: Dr. John Hines