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

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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
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

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Special Thanks

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Sincerely,

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

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**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
*Identifying Attributes that ‘Really’ Matter*

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*

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

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