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Annual Graduate Faculty Meeting

April 28, 2016

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

ScholarSpace, Room 301

Rod Library

Agenda

Welcome - Melissa Beall, Graduate Faculty Chair

Student Awards

Kavita Dhanwada, Dean
&
Barbara Cutter, Associate Dean

Faculty Awards

Kavita Dhanwada, Dean
&
Melissa Beall, Graduate Faculty Chair

“Graduate Education at UNI”

Kavita Dhanwada, Dean

Discussion:

“Graduate Education at UNI: Who Are We?”

Facilitator: Melissa Beall, Graduate Faculty Chair

Closing Comments

Gayle Pohl, Graduate Council Chair

Graduate Student Symposium Awards

Poster Presentation Awards

First Place: Jordan Young, Biology (M.S.)

*Effects of Soil Type and Diversity on Soil Respiration and Litter
Decomposition in a Perennial Biofuel Production System*

Advisor: Dr. Kenneth Elgersma

Second Place: Jessica Riebkes, Biology (M.S.)

Effects of Predator Satiation on Seed Predation in New Roadside Prairie Plantings

Advisor: Dr. Laura Jackson

Third Place: Amani Al Rebeh,

Allied Health, Recreation & Community Services (Ed.D.)

*Parental Knowledge and Attitudes Regarding Their Infant's
Mandatory Vaccination in Saudi Arabia*

Advisor: Dr. Christopher Edginton

Honorable Mention: Katie Langmeier, Athletic Training (M.S.)

*The Role of Perceived Motivational Climate on Injury
Occurrence and Rehabilitation Behaviors*

Advisor: Dr. Windee Weiss

Oral Presentation Award

Elm Room

First Place: Zheng Li, Psychology: Social Psychology (M.A.)

Control Threat Induces Internalization of Benevolent Sexism Among Women

Advisor: Dr. Helen Harton

Second Place: Benjamin Olsen, Curriculum & Instruction (Ed.D.)

*Pre-Service and Practicing Teacher Science Inquiry Projects: An Analysis
of their Understanding of the Scientific Inquiry Process*

Advisor: Dr. Audrey Rule

Third Place: Shehreen Iqtadar, Special Education (M.A.E.)

*Roles and Responsibilities of Paraprofessionals in Creating Inclusive
Communities: A Three Dimensional Perspective*

Advisor: Dr. Amy Petersen

Oak Room

First Place: Haley Steele, Performance: Voice (M.M.)

Estelle Liebling: A Biographical and Pedagogical Survey

Advisor: Dr. Katherine Osbourne

Second Place: Alia Afzal, English: Literature (M.A.)

Ecocritical and Postcolonial Study of Humans, Land, and Space

Advisor: Dr. Anne Myles

Third Place: Cory Dahlstrom, English: English Studies (M.A.)

Huckleberry Finn and the Picaresque as Lens Against Debt Peonage

Advisor: Dr. Julie Husband

Presidential Room

First Place: Heather McAlpine, History (M.A.)

*“From Soprano to Barking Dog”: Public Response to John Cage and
Avant-Garde Music, 1950-Present*

Advisor: Dr. Brian Roberts

Second Place: Ashley Loper, History (M.A.)

One-Room School Heroes: The Feminization of Rural Schools

Advisor: Dr. Leisl Carr-Childers

Third Place: Alexander Newkirk, History (M.A.)

*“A Global License to Kill”: Exploring the Culture of Hunting Within Safari Club
International During the 1980's: Ethics of Hunting Globally in the Reagan Era*

Advisor: Dr. Brian Roberts

State College Room

First Place: Jillian Siehlmann, TESOL/Spanish (M.A.)

Los comediantes mexicanos-americanos: Como utilizan el lenguaje para contruir la identidad etnica tras el humor (Mexican-American Stand-Up Comedians: How They Utilize Humorous Language to Construct Ethnic Group Identity)

Advisor: Dr. Heather Jeronimo

Second Place: Liz Becker, TESOL/Spanish (M.A.)

El rol de la lengua: Un analisis de la falta de conocimiento del espanol de los jovenes latinos en la television americana (The Role of Language: An Analysis of the Lack of Spanish of Latino Youth in U.S. Television)

Advisor: Dr. Elise DuBord

Third Place: Ashley Boose, Spanish (M.A.)

Ideologías y Capital Lingüística: Un grupo pequeño de Mayas en Iowa (Language Capital and Ideology: A small group of Mayas in Iowa)

Advisor: Dr. Heather Jeronimo

University Room

First Place: Ranjana Joshi, Industrial Technology (D.I.T.)

A Joint Power Harvesting and Communication Technology for Smartphone Centric Ubiquitous Sensing

Advisor: Dr. Jeffrey Nie

Second Place: Emily T. Francis, Geography (M.A.)

Analyzing Winter Migration of Wild Taimyr Reindeer Using Historical Census Data and Satellite Telemetry

Advisor: Dr. Andrey Petrov

Third Place: Glendolyn Neely, Speech-Language Pathology (M.A.)

Anna Joerger, Speech-Language Pathology (M.A.)

Testing Swallowing Speed in Healthy Adults and Persons with Dysphagia

Advisor: Dr. Laura Pitts

Creative Performance Awards

Original Composition Category

First Place: Michael Dickerson, Composition (M.M.)

Blango--A Duo for Two Trombones

Advisor: Dr. Alan Schmitz

Second Place: Jen Corrigan, English: Creative Writing (M.A.)

*Four-Minute Stories: Three Flash Fiction Pieces of Five
Hundred Words Each*

Advisor: Dr. Jim O'Loughlin

Performance of Established Works

First Place: Michelle Monroe, Performance: Voice (M.M.)

Eve-Song, An Old Story With New Eyes

Advisor: Dr. Jeffrey Brich

Second Place: Dawne McClure, Communication Studies:

Mass Communications (M.A.)

Ryan Courtney, Communication Studies:

Performance Studies (M.A.)

The Difficulty of Crossing the Field

Advisor: Dr. Karen Mitchell

Graduate Student Scholarship Awards

Outstanding Master's Thesis

First Place: Kristin Broussard, Psychology (M.A.)

*Predictors of Racial Prejudice: A Meta-Analysis of the
Influence of Religion and Political Orientation*

Advisor: Dr. Helen Harton

Second Place: Jordan L Ludwig, Literature (M.A.)

*The Traumatic Incursion of the Old South on Gender
and Motherhood in William Faulkner's Novels*

The Sound and the Fury, As I Lay Dying, and Light in August

Advisor: Dr. Jim O'Loughlin

Third Place: Rachel E Meisinger, Psychology (M.A.)

Identification of Sluggish Cognitive Tempo by Pre-Service Teachers

Advisor: Dr. Elizabeth K. Lefler

Outstanding Master's Research Paper

First Place: Megan Vogt, Social Work (M.A.)

Influx of Child Immigrants to the United States:

Policy & Practice Implications

Advisor: Dr. Cindy Juby

Second Place: Meghan Wethington, Speech Language-Pathology (M.A.)

Implementation and Effectiveness of the Iowa Oral

Narrative Project: A Survey of Iowa Speech-Language Pathologists

Advisor: Dr. Jennifer Garrett

Third Place: Robin Summers, Women's & Gender Studies (M.A.)

Empowering Young Black Women through Wellness

Advisor: Dr. Jennifer J. Waldron

Faculty Awards

Outstanding Graduate Faculty Teaching Award

Dr. Jeremy Schraffenberger
Department of Languages & Literatures

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. Audrey Rule
Department of Curriculum & Instruction

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 and whose professional reputation is national (and international where appropriate).

James F. Lubker Faculty Research Award

Dr. David G. Surdam
Department of Economics

This award honors a faculty member with at least five years of service at UNI and exceptional original contributions to research and scholarship, including the creative and performing arts.

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 culminating projects).

Kenneth Bleile, Communication Sciences & Disorders
Angela Burda, Communication Sciences & Disorders
Evette Edmister, Communication Sciences & Disorders
Jennifer Garrett, Communication Sciences & Disorders
Melissa Beall, Communication Studies*
Joan Bessman Taylor, Curriculum and Instruction
Stephanie Schmitz, Educational Psychology & Foundations
Radhi Al-Mabuk, Educational Psychology & Foundations
Kerri Clopton, Educational Psychology & Foundations
Timothy Gilson, Educational Leadership & Postsecondary Education*
Denise Schares, Educational Leadership & Postsecondary Education
Nick Pace, Educational Leadership & Postsecondary Education*
Brian Roberts, History*
Sheila Benson, Languages and Literatures
Juan Carlos Castillo, Languages and Literatures*
Ivonne Cuadra, Languages and Literatures*
Tammy Gregersen, Languages and Literatures*
Julie Husband, Languages and Literatures
Ardith Meier, Languages and Literatures*
Joyce Milambiling, Languages and Literatures*
Anne Myles, Languages and Literatures
Pierre-Damien Mvuyekure, Languages and Literatures
Gabriela Olivares, Languages and Literatures
Cheryl Roberts, Languages and Literatures*
Sara Rosell, Languages and Literatures*
Grant Tracey, Languages and Literatures*
Karen Tracey, Languages and Literatures
Flavia Vernescu, Languages and Literatures*
Elizabeth Zwanziger, Languages and Literatures
Helen Harton, Psychology*
Jean McDonald, School of Music
Robert Washut, School of Music

*Second Award

Brown Bag Lecture Presenters

Professor Ellen Neuhaus

Rod Library

“UNI ScholarWorks and Global Reach”

Dr. Paul J. Siddens

Communication Studies

“*The Inferno*: Writing and Producing an Original Play at UNI”

Dr. Disa Cornish

School of Health, Physical Education & Leisure Services

“‘Reforms might have looked really good on paper’: Understanding how rural food service directors responded to the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010”

Dr. Kim P. Huckstadt

Educational Leadership & Postsecondary Education

“The Impact of Standards-Based Teacher Evaluation in Iowa”

Dr. Oksana Matvienko

School of Health, Physical Education & Leisure Services

“Qualitative Analysis of Dietary Behaviors in Picture Book Fiction for 4 to 8 Year Olds”

Dr. John Burnight

Philosophy & World Religions

“A ‘Redeeming’ Darkness: The Subversion of Exodus Motifs in Job’s Curse (Job 3:3-10)”

Dr. Suzanne Riehl

Mathematics

“Routes to Reason: Proportional Reasoning in Middle School Students”

Dr. Kent Johnson & Dr. Belle Cowden

Continuing Education & Special Programs

“Continuing Education and Distance Learning and Graduate Programs at UNI”

Dr. Travis Ficklin

School of Health, Physical Education & Leisure Services

“Anatomy of a Home Run: What are the Absolutes of Hitting?”

Thank You to the 9th Annual Graduate Student Symposium Judges:

Poster Presentation Judges

Todd Bohenkamp	Gregory Bruess	Maureen Clayton
Shoshanna Coon	Christina Curran	Dale Cyphert
Susan Etscheidt	James Jurgenson	Pavel Lukashev
Tyler O'Brien	Gabriela Olivares	Leila Rod-Welch
Stephanie Schmitz	Ira Simet	Christopher F. Neuhaus

Oral Presentation Judges

Tilahun Abebe	Fernando Calderon	Michael Childers
Tom Hall	Kristin Mack	David McClenahan
Jayne Neiman	Jolene Zigarovich	Jesse Swan
Carolina Coronado-Park		

Creative Performance Judges

James Davis	Amy Kotsonis
Eric Lange	Jean McDonald

Special Thanks

The Graduate College extends our thanks to our Graduate Assistants Carly Hanson and Cori Austin for their work on UNI Grad Student News, the Graduate Student Advisory Board, and the Ninth Annual Graduate Student Symposium.

Sincerely,

Susie Schwieger

Kavita Dhanwada

Barbara Cutter

Rubina Chowdhury

Lisa Steimel

Janet Witt

