

# Eastern Illinois University Graduate Scholar

*Journal of Graduate Scholarship and Recognition*



*Autumn Williams  
2005 Distinguished  
Master's Thesis  
Award Winner with  
Dr. John Guzlowski,  
Professor of English and  
Faculty Mentor*

April 14, 2005

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## Awards Ceremony

April 14, 2005

### Introduction and Opening Remarks

Mr. Naveed Baqir, President of the Graduate Student Advisory Council and Master of Ceremonies

Mr. Louis V. Hencken, President

Dr. Blair M. Lord, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Dr. Robert Augustine, Dean of The Graduate School

### Distinguished Graduate Student Awards

Announced by Ms. Sherikia Humes, Student Dean of The Graduate School and  
Mr. Naveed Baqir

**Kathryn A. Yurkonis-** Biological Sciences

Presented by Dr. Charles Costa

**Jared J. Mathey-** Business Administration (On Campus) Presented by Dr. Cheryl Noll

**Tessa M. Hile-** Business Administration (Off Campus) Presented by Dr. Cheryl Noll

**Sarah A. Mazzella-** Chemistry

Presented by Dr. Bob Chesnut

**Jessica R. Finn-** Clinical Psychology

Presented by Dr. Anu Sharma

**Nancy J. Crone-** College Student Affairs

Presented by Dr. Charles Eberly

**Alicia L. Campagna-** Communication Disorders & Sciences

Presented by Dr. Brenda Wilson

**Brent D. Yergensen-** Communication Studies

Presented by Dr. Shane Miller

**Sarah D. Heise-** Counseling

Presented by Dr. Nancy Farber

**Yan Ni-** Economics

Presented by Dr. Mukti Upadhyay

**Amna Latif-** Educational Administration (Masters)

Presented by Dr. Nick Osborne

**Julie Wollerman-** Educational Administration (Specialist)

Presented by Dr. Nick Osborne

**Adam D. Lanter-** Elementary Education

Presented by Dr. Merribeth Bruning

**Amanda C. Bright-** English

Presented by Dr. Susan Bazargan

**Kathryn Rhodes-** Family and Consumer Sciences

Presented by Dr. Frances Murphy

**Ellen C. Shike-** Family and Consumer Sciences-  
Dietetics Option

Presented by Dr. Frances Murphy

**Bethni S. Ruot-** Gerontology

Presented by Dr. Jeanne Snyder

**Nicholas S. Mariner-** History

Presented by Dr. Mark Voss-Hubbard

**Kelly L. Rider-** History-

Historical Administration Option

Presented by Dr. Nora Pat Small

**Rebecca Krikie-** Mathematics

Presented by Dr. Patrick Coulton

**Carlene Weber-** Mathematics-Math Education Option

Presented by Dr. Peter Andrews

**Michael C. Jones-** Music

Presented by Dr. Peter Hesterman

**John T. Burke-** Natural Sciences

Presented by Dr. Jim McGaughey

**Chad C. Shirar-** Physical Education

Presented by Dr. Scott Crawford

**Christopher K. Micks-** Political Science

Presented by Dr. Lilian Barria

**Kristy R. Baker-** School Psychology

Presented by Dr. Gary Canivez

**Kathryn A. Havercroft-** Special Education

Presented by Dr. Kathlene Shank

**Jing Shao-** Technology (On-Campus)

Presented by Dr. Peter Ping Liu

**Christy Blew-** Technology (Off-Campus)

Presented by Dr. Peter Ping Liu

### Williams Travel Awards

Announced by Dr. Charles Costa, Chair, Council on Graduate Studies Awards Committee  
and Dr. Peter Loewen, Member, Council on Graduate Studies Awards Committee  
Presented by Dr. Larry Williams, Former Dean of The Graduate School

#### Graduate Candidate

##### Fall 2004 Recipients

Naveed Baqir, Business Administration  
Allan Crandall, English  
Manda Geerts & Tina Vogel, Communication  
Disorders & Sciences  
Heather Hartke, Business Administration  
Greg Holden, English  
Kendra Holder, Clinical Psychology  
Sean Jones, Biological Sciences  
Amna Latif, Educational Administration  
Christopher Lootens, Clinical Psychology  
Chetan Mehta, Business Administration  
Brian Metzke, Biological Sciences  
Chris North, Biological Sciences  
Lucie Novoveska, Biological Sciences  
Arne Romanowski, Political Science  
Joy Schmitz, Communication Disorders & Sciences  
Kristen Shallenberger, Communication Disorders & Sciences  
Jing Shao, Technology  
Justin Thomas, History  
Kathryn Yurkonis, Biological Sciences

##### Spring 2005 Recipients

Corey Brelsfoard, Biological Sciences  
Sarah Mazzella, Chemistry  
Lydia Miramontes, Biological Sciences  
William Stewart, Biological Sciences  
Tiffani Nicole Talarico, Biological Sciences  
Justin Thomas, History  
Elise Tulloss, Biological Sciences  
Holly Wallace, Biological Sciences  
Lee Walston, Biological Sciences  
Brent Yergensen, Communication Studies

#### Faculty Mentor

Dr. Yunus Kathawala  
Dr. Tim Engles  
Ms. Jean Smitley  
  
Dr. William Minnis  
Dr. Tim Engles  
Dr. Daneen Deptula  
Dr. Andrew Methven  
Dr. Nick Osborne  
Dr. Daneen Deptula  
Dr. Yunus Kathawala  
Dr. Charles Pederson  
Dr. Robert Fischer  
Dr. Charles Pederson  
Dr. Ryan Hendrickson  
Dr. Gail Richard  
Mr. Frank Goldacker  
Dr. Yunus Kathawala  
Dr. Mark Voss-Hubbard  
Dr. Scott Meiners

Dr. Gary Fritz  
Dr. Robert Chesnut  
Dr. Scott Meiners  
Dr. Scott Meiners  
Dr. Steven Daniel  
Dr. Mark Voss-Hubbard  
Dr. Scott Meiners  
Dr. Ann Fritz  
Dr. Stephen Mullin  
Dr. Shane Miller

### Research/Creative Activity Awards

Announced by Dr. Richard Roberts, Chair and Coordinator, Counseling & Student Development

Presented by Dr. David Buchanan, Former Dean of the Graduate School

#### Graduate Candidate

##### Fall 2004

Bethany Bostrom, Biological Sciences  
Marybeth Brey, Biological Sciences  
Sean Christopher Jones, Biological Sciences  
Tona Smith, Family & Consumer Sciences

#### Faculty Mentor

Dr. Robert Fischer  
Dr. Robert Fischer  
Dr. Andrew Methven  
Dr. Kathleen O'Rourke

##### Spring 2005

Mark Fincel, Biological Sciences  
Larry Panozzo, Jr., Communication Disorders & Sciences  
Tiffani Nicole Talarico, Biological Science  
Holly Wallace, Biological Sciences  
Lee Walston, Biological Sciences  
Aimee Wheat, Communication Disorders & Sciences

Dr. Robert Fischer  
Mr. Frank Goldacker  
Dr. Steven Daniel  
Dr. Ann Fritz  
Dr. Stephen Mullin  
Dr. Brenda Wilson

### Edwin L. (Bud) May Award of Excellence in Funded Research

Announced by Dr. Kathleen O'Rourke, Member, Council on Graduate Studies Awards Committee

Presented by, Mr. Bud May

Dr. Marylin Lisowski, Professor of Science and Environmental Education  
in the Department of Early Childhood, Middle Level, and Elementary Education

### Graduate Scholarships

Announced by Dr. Kathleen O'Rourke, Member, Council on Graduate Studies Awards Committee

Betty Wright Downing Scholar  
Manda Geerts, Communication Disorders and Sciences

Graduate Coordinator  
Dr. Brenda Wilson

Frances Meyer Hampton Scholar  
Lenee Moseley, Communication Disorders and Sciences

Graduate Coordinator  
Dr. Brenda Wilson

### Thesis Award Winners

Presented by Dr. Shane Miller, Vice Chair of the Council on Graduate Studies

#### Graduate Candidate

David Bell, History-Honorable Mention  
James Arndt, Political Science-Honorable Mention  
John Burke, Natural Sciences-Award of Excellence  
Autumn Williams, English-Distinguished Master's Thesis Award  
& Midwest Association of Graduate Schools Thesis Nomination

#### Faculty Mentor

Dr. Edmund Wehrle  
Dr. Richard Wandling  
Dr. James Stratton  
Dr. John Guzowski



## Outstanding Graduate Faculty Mentor Nominees and 2005 Graduate Faculty Mentor Award Announced by Ms. Sherikia Humes, Student Dean of The Graduate School

### Graduate Faculty Nominees

Dr. Lilian Barria, Political Science  
Dr. Peter Ping Liu, School of Technology  
Dr. Shane Miller, Communication Studies  
Dr. Ali Moshtagh, Economics  
Dr. Nick Osborne, Educational Administration  
Dr. Jill Owen, Physical Education

Ms. Joy Russell, Special Education  
Dr. Richard Wandling, Political Science

### Graduate Student Nominators

Christopher Micks  
Jing Shao  
Brent Yergensen  
Susan Schroeder  
Amna Latif  
Lorie Daniel, Ashleigh Graff,  
Stephanie Niebarger, and Sarah Risius

Lucinda Hamilton

## 2005 Outstanding Graduate Faculty Mentor

### Award Winner

Dr. Jill D. Owen, Physical Education

### Graduate Student Presenter

Lorie Daniel

## Graduate Leadership Award

Presented by Dr. Robert Augustine, Dean of The Graduate School

### Program

Department of Political Science

### Coordinator

Dr. Ryan Hendrickson

### Chair

Dr. Richard Wandling

## Award of Excellence

Presented by Dr. Robert M. Augustine, Dean of The Graduate School

Dr. William V. Weber, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs

## Closing Remarks

Dr. Robert M. Augustine, Dean of The Graduate School

**Distinguished Master's Thesis Award &  
Midwest Association of Graduate Schools Thesis Nomination**

**Autumn Williams**, Master of Arts in English

John Guzowski, Ph.D., Professor of English, Faculty Mentor



**Love, Violence, and Creation: Modernist Mediums of  
Transcendence in Sylvia Plath's Poetry and Prose**

Many critics who study Sylvia Plath's works discuss the autobiographical significance of her poetry and prose, labeling her art as primarily confessional. My research shows that Sylvia Plath's awareness of and sensitivity to contemporary and historical cultural events, along with her acute sense of literary tradition, shape her art and widen the scope of critical interpretation. My study, although conceding that aspects of her writing are autobiographical, focuses on the modernist elements in her poetry and prose. By analyzing her writing through the lens of modernism, I view her art in terms of cultural, historical, political, and aesthetic qualities. I conclude that as a modernist writer Sylvia Plath suggests viable alternatives to the modern world's dehumanized condition.



**Master's Thesis Award of Excellence**

**John Burke**, Master of Science in Natural Sciences

James Stratton, Ph.D., Professor of Geology/Geography, Faculty Mentor

**Rugose Corals of the Livingston Limestone Member, Bond Formation,  
Coles and Edgar County, Illinois**

The rugosan coral species *Lophophyllidium proliferum* (McChesney, 1860) has long been associated with the Pennsylvanian (Missourian) strata of the Illinois Basin. The neotype established by Jeffords (1942) and associated specimens collected near Springfield, IL are nearly identical to the study samples from the Livingston Limestone member exposure at the Charleston Stone Company quarry in Coles County, IL and a similar site behind St. Aloysius Church in Edgar County, IL. Previous studies described *L. proliferum* as the only identified coral species in the local exposures. New data verifies the existence of two additional rugosan species: *Lophamplexus westii* (Beede, 1898) and *Geyerophyllum* sp. cf. *G. broilii* Heritsch, 1936. The presence of these additional species indicates a more diverse faunal community than previously described and verifies the faunal correlation between the Bond Formation of Illinois and the Zone 4 Missourian Rocks of Kansas as expressed by Cocke (1974). Comparisons of the *Lophamplexus westii* (Beede, 1898) study samples with previous descriptions by Girty (1915) as examined by Fedorowski (1987) seem to indicate a subjunctive synonymy with *Cyathaxonia distorta* Worthen, 1875. This new data suggests a change in nomenclature for *L. westii* and revises current ongoing disagreements in the taxonomy of *Lophamplexus* Moore and Jeffords between Hill (1981) and Fedorowski (1987).



**Master's Thesis Award Honorable Mention**

**James Arndt**, Master of Arts in Political Science

Richard Wandling, Ph.D., Professor of Political Science, Faculty Mentor

**Apples, Oranges, and Grapefruit: A comparative analysis of private enterprises, nonprofit organizations, and local government agencies in relationship to government reform.**

The debate between the differences and similarities of public and private sector organizations has been waged over the last half of the century. A majority of these scholarly works target the analytical comparison of large corporations and federal government agencies, despite the majority of government agencies operating within the local government arena. Through these comparisons, three different camps of opinions have decisively entrenched themselves. First, one camp argues that organizational sector differences are moot and they propose a generic form of management in order to create a more efficient form of administration. Second, another camp argues that the differences have become blurred to a point of degrees. This second camp argues that all organizations are public to an extent and stands upon the concept of publicness. Third, the last camp argues that the differences between organizational sectors are significant. This third camp argues core differences create a gulf between the public and private sector. This study aligns itself with the camp of core differences due to the empirical evidence presented within the literature and according to previous research this author has conducted regarding the comparison of organizational sectors. In addition to the classic organizational sector comparisons, the third sector of organizations, nonprofit organizations, has been rising in importance with the recent reform efforts of the reinvention of government movement and the concept of privatization. Hence, this study will make two valuable contributions to the comparative organization literature by systematically analyzing the government, private sector business, and nonprofit organizations at the local level of government, business, and nonprofit organizations. This study was conducted by completing 60 semi-structured elite interviews of local government, business, and nonprofit organization leaders, in a direct attempt to investigate seven keynote differences empirically indicated within the scholarly public administration and political science literature. The seven noteworthy differences analyzed within this study are the primary organizational goal, organizational values, personnel procedures, and the propensity of managerial risk taking, organizational formalization, organizational environment, and monetary performance incentives. This study discovered that noteworthy differences do exist and these inherent differences may interfere with the recent attempts of government reform.

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**Master's Thesis Award Honorable Mention**

**David Bell**, Master of Arts in History

Edmund Wehrle, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of History, Faculty Mentor

**The Battle for the University: The Vietnam-Era Student Movement at Universities in Central Illinois**

This study seeks to address the question puzzling historians from Todd Gitlin to Kenneth Heineman: what drove student rebellion in the sixties? My thesis examines the developing anti-Vietnam War movements at three college campuses in Central Illinois: the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Eastern Illinois University, and Illinois Wesleyan University. While scholars have examined student radicalism and anti-war activity in the 1960s, most studies focus on "elite" east coast universities. By examining three diverse "non-elite" schools, my thesis provides new balance to the emerging historiography of the 1960s. This comparative study involves relating not only the universities to one another, but also relating the university to itself. In short, before one can determine how the schools interrelate, one must determine how factions within the university fit together. "Factions" I examine include: the student body, the faculty, and the administration. Based on extensive research in the university archives of each campus, my final conclusion suggests a very real "aura of rebellion" existed on college campuses in Central Illinois-but not always related directly to the war in Southeast Asia. The Vietnam War ignited the student protest firestorm even on prairie campuses, but also underscored a growing sense of infinite potential among "baby boomers" that continued throughout the sixties. Several related conclusions emerge from this central thesis: first, most campus activism stemmed not from opposition to the Vietnam War, but rather from anger toward the university administration. Although administrators eventually learned how to address student unrest, their initial strategies provoked "radical" protesters and perpetuated violent clashes. Secondly, growing student apathy towards all societal issues constantly acted as a thorn in the side of student activism. Even peaceful protests enjoyed relatively limited participation, thus seriously impeding this generation's once-great potential. Thus the final picture is a complicated one- in which local grievances competed with national and international issues as part of this "aura of rebellion." Eventually, as seen on all three campuses, a more democratic university emerged.



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**Graduate School Research/Creative Activity Award**

**Bethany Bostrom**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

The Effectiveness of Artificial Riffles as a Restoration Technique in Illinois Streams

Robert Fischer, Ph.D., Professor of Biological Sciences , Faculty Mentor  
Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Research Partner



**Graduate School Research/Creative Activity Award**

**Marybeth Brey**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

Changes in the Diet and Growth of Lake Michigan Trout with the Introduction of the Round Goby

Robert Fischer, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Biological Sciences , Faculty Mentor  
Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Research Partner



**Graduate School Research/Creative Activity Award**

**Mark Fincel**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

Does the Variable Flow Regime Produced by an Overflow Dam  
alter the Downstream Fish Communities

Robert Fischer, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Biological Sciences , Faculty Mentor  
Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Research Partner



**Graduate School Research/Creative Activity Award**

**Sean Christopher Jones**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

Fungal Hybridization in the Genus *Flammulina*

Andrew Methven, Ph.D., Professor of Biological Sciences , Faculty Mentor  
University of Tennessee at Knoxville, Research Partner



**Graduate School Research/Creative Activity Award**

**Larry Panozzo, Jr.**, Master of Science Candidate in Communication Disorders and Sciences

The Validity of the S/Z Ratio as a Voice Screening Tool

Frank Goldacker, M.S., Associate Professor of Communication Disorders & Sciences , Faculty Mentor  
Carle Clinic Association, Research Partner



**Graduate School Research/Creative Activity Award**

**Tona E. Smith**, Master of Science Candidate in Family and Consumer Sciences

Sexual Assault: An Examination of Disclosure, Reporting, and Support Among  
Female University Students

Kathleen O'Rourke, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Family and Consumer Sciences , Faculty Mentor  
Sexual Assault Counseling and Information Services, Research Partner



**Graduate School Research/Creative Activity Award**

**Tiffani Nicole Talarico**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

Intestinal Colonization of Dogs with the Beneficial Bacterium *Oxalobacter formigenes*:  
The First Step Toward the Prevention of Urinary Tract Stones

Steven Daniel, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Biological Sciences , Faculty Mentor  
Kennelwood, Research Partner



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**Graduate School Research/Creative Activity Award**

**Holly Wallace**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

Investigating Sperm Viability Amongst the Four Sites of Sperm Storage in Female *Anastrepha suspensa* Flies (Diptera: Tephritidae)

Ann Fritz, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor  
Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services Division of Plant Industry, Research Partner

**Graduate School Research/Creative Activity Award**

**Lee Walston**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

Resilience of the Pond-Breeding Amphibian Community Following the Mitigation of Introduced Fish

Stephen Mullin, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor  
Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Research Partner



**Graduate School Research/Creative Activity Award**

**Aimee Wheat**, Master of Science Candidate in Communication Disorders and Sciences

Comparing Discourse Performance According to Elicitation Procedure

Brenda Wilson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Communication Disorders and Sciences, Faculty Mentor  
Family Matters, Research Partner

**Williams Travel Award**

**Naveed Baqir**, Master of Business Administration Candidate

Managing Knowledge in Organizational Operations

Annual Midwest Business Administration Association Conference in Chicago, Illinois  
Yunus Kathawala, Ph.D., Professor of Business, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Corey Brelsfoard**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

Species-Diagnostic Polymerase Chain Reaction Assay for the Identification of *Anopheles* Vector of Human *Plasmodium* Spp

Entomological Society of America, North Central Branch Annual Meeting in West Lafayette, Indiana  
Gary Fritz, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor

**Williams Travel Award**

**Allan Crandall**, Master of Arts Candidate in English

Darkness Made Lyrical: Embrace and Denial of Death in Suttree,

Suttree 25th Anniversary Celebration of the Cormac McCarthy Society in Knoxville, Tennessee  
Tim Engels, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of English, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Manda Geerts**, Master of Science Candidate in Communication Disorders and Sciences

Pictography and Flowcharts: Effects on Organization and Quality of Narratives

Illinois Speech-Language-Hearing Association in Rosemont, Illinois  
Jean Smitley, M.S., Associate Professor of Communication Disorders and Sciences, Faculty Mentor

**Williams Travel Award**

**Heather Hartke**, Master of Business Administration Candidate

Considering Graduate Perceptions of Stress:  
Can Opportunities be Identified to Improve the Academic Experience

Midwest Business Administration Association Annual Conference in Chicago, Illinois  
William Minnis, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Business, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Greg Holden**, Master of Arts in English

Leaping in the Dark: A Kierkegaardian Reassessment of Sutttree's Existentialism

Sutttree 25th Anniversary Celebration of the Cormac McCarthy Society in Knoxville, Tennessee  
Tim Engels, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of English, Faculty Mentor

**Williams Travel Award**

**Kendra Holder**, Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology

Diabetes and Obesity: Comparing Quality of a Parent-Adolescent Relationship Based on Health Status

Society for Research in Child Development 2005 Biennial Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia  
Daneen Deptula, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Psychology, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Sean Christopher Jones**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

Morphological Variability in Inter-specific Hybrids of Flammulina

Mycological Society of America 2004 Annual Meeting in Asheville, North Carolina  
Andrew Methven, Ph.D., Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Amna Latif**, Master of Science in Education in Educational Administration

School Board Democracy and Policymaking

Joint Annual Conference Illinois Association of School Boards in Chicago, Illinois  
Nick Osborne, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Educational Administration, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Christopher Lootens**, Master of Arts Candidate in Clinical Psychology

Boys vs. Girls: Is Sibling Gender Related to Marital Happiness

Society for Research in Child Development 2005 Biennial Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia  
Daneen Deptula, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Psychology



**Williams Travel Award**

**Sarah Mazzella**, Master of Science Candidate in Chemistry

Non-aqueous Platination

American Chemical Society National Meeting in San Diego, California  
Robert Chesnut, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Chemistry, Faculty Mentor



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**Williams Travel Award**

**Chetan Mehta**, Master of Business Administration Candidate

Landscaping the Outsourcing Models: Issues with Emphasis to India

Midwest Business Administration Association Annual Conference in Chicago, Illinois  
Yunus Kathawala, Ph.D., Professor of Business, Faculty Mentor

**Williams Travel Award**

**Brian Metzke**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

The Impact of Altered Zooplankton Community Dynamics on Electivity of  
Juvenile Fish in a Cooling Water Reservoir

Association of Southeastern Biologists 66th Annual Meeting in Florence, Alabama  
Charles Pederson, Ph.D., Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Lydia Miramontes**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

The Effects of Source Population Size on the Performance of Plants

Midwest Ecology and Evolution Conference in Carbondale, Illinois  
Scott Meiners, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor

**Williams Travel Award**

**Chris North**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

The Effects of Agriculture Land-use on Stream Fish and Macro-invertebrate Communities

Midwest Fish and Wildlife Meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana  
Robert Fischer, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Lucie Novoveska**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

Bethic Algal Community Structure and Bio-accumulation of Mercury in Coastal Watershed

Association of Southeastern Biologists 66th Annual Meeting in Florence, Alabama  
Charles Pederson, Ph.D., Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor

**Williams Travel Award**

**Arne Romanowski**, Master of Arts Candidate in Political Science

Mixed Electoral Systems and Indigenous Representation: As Case Study of Bolivia

2004 North Central Council of Latin Americanists Conference in Decorah, Iowa  
Ryan Hendrickson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Political Science, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Joy Schmitz**, Master of Science Candidate in Communication Disorders and Sciences

Effects of Structures Versus Non-structured Language Sampling Methods  
on the Expressive Language Output of Children

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
Gail Richard, Ph.D., Professor of Communication Disorders and Sciences, Faculty Mentor



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**Williams Travel Award**

**Kristen Shallenberger**, Master of Science Candidate in Communication Disorders and Sciences

Comparing Cervical Auscultation and Video-fluoroscopy for Pediatric Swallowing Evaluation

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Frank Goldacker, M.S., Associate Professor of Communication Disorders and Sciences, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Jing Shao**, Master of Science Candidate in Technology

Global Outsourcing and Organizational Effectiveness

Midwest Business Administration Association Annual Conference in Chicago, Illinois

Yunus Kathawala, Ph.D., Professor of Business, Faculty Mentor

**Williams Travel Award**

**William Stewart**, Master of Science in Biological Sciences

The Effects of Population Size on the Performance of Prairie Plants

Midwest Ecology and Evolution Conference in Carbondale, Illinois

Scott Meiners, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Tiffani Nicole Talarico**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

Microbial Degradation of Oxelate in Gastrointestinal Tracts of Cats and Dogs

Conference on Gastrointestinal Function in Chicago, Illinois

Steven Daniel, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor

**Williams Travel Award**

**Justin Thomas**, Master of Arts Candidate in History

U.S. Foreign Policy on the Path to Pinochet's Chile and Operation Rolling Thunder

2004 Mid-America Conference on History in Springfield, Missouri

and Regional Phi Theta Alpha Conference in Murray, Kentucky

Mark Voss-Hubbard, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of History, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Elise Tulloss**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences

Edge-mediated Succession and Drought Response in a Plant Community

Midwest Ecology and Evolution Conference in Carbondale, Illinois

Scott Meiners, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor

**Williams Travel Award**

**Tina Vogel**, Master of Science Candidate in Communication Disorders and Sciences

Pictography and Flowcharts: Effects on Organization and Quality of Narratives

Illinois Speech Language-Language-Hearing Association in Rosemont, Illinois

Jean Smitley, M.S., Associate Professor of Communication Disorders and Sciences, Faculty Mentor





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**Williams Travel Award**

**Holly Wallace**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences  
Behavior of Male Caribbean Fruit Flies during Copulation in Relation to Age and Duration  
North Central Branch of the Entomological Society of America in West Lafayette, Indiana  
Ann Fritz, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Lee Walston**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences  
Resilience of a Pond-Breeding Amphibian Community Following the Mitigation of Introduced Fish  
Joint Society Meeting of Herpetologists and Ichthyologists in Tampa, Florida  
Stephen Mullin, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor

**Williams Travel Award**

**Brent Yergensen**, Master of Arts Candidate in Communication Studies  
A Beautiful Mind, Dramatism, and Relationships and Effective Lecturing  
Central States Communication Association Annual Convention in Kansas City, Kansas  
Shane Miller, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Communication Studies, Faculty Mentor



**Williams Travel Award**

**Kathryn Yurkonis**, Master of Science Candidate in Biological Sciences  
Exotic Plant Invasions Reduce Diversity by Inhibiting Local Establishment  
Ecological Society of America 89th Annual Meeting in Portland, Oregon  
Scott Meiners, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences, Faculty Mentor

**Betty Wright Downing Graduate Scholarship**  
**Manda Geerts**, Master of Science Candidate in  
Communication Disorders & Sciences

The scholarship was established by the family of Betty Wright Downing to provide financial support for a full-time graduate student enrolled in a master's degree program related to a pre-medical or health related field.



**Frances Meyer Hampton Graduate Scholar**

**Lenee Moseley**, Master of Science Candidate in  
Communication Disorders & Sciences

The scholarship was established by the family of EIU Alumna Frances Meyer Hampton to provide two years of financial support for a full-time graduate student in a master's degree program who demonstrates exceptional potential.

### **College of Arts and Humanities**

Christopher Kahler, M.F.A- Art, Coordinator  
Susan Bazargan, Ph.D.- English, Coordinator  
Mark Voss-Hubbard, Ph.D.- History, Coordinator  
Nora Pat Small, Ph.D.- Historical Administration, Coordinator  
Peter Hesterman, Ph.D.- Music, Coordinator  
Shane Miller, Ph.D.- Speech Communication, Coordinator

### **College of Education and Professional Studies**

Nick Osborne, Ph.D.- Educational Administration, Master's & Specialist's Programs, Chair and Coordinator  
Merribeth Bruning, Ph.D.- Elementary Education, Chair and Coordinator  
Richard Roberts, Ph.D.- College Student Affairs & Counseling Programs, Chair and Coordinator  
Kathlene Shank, Ph.D.- Special Education, Chair and Coordinator  
Scott Crawford, Ph.D.- Physical Education, Coordinator

### **Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences**

Cheryl Noll, Ph.D.- Business Administration and Certificate Program, Coordinator  
Frances Murphy, Ph.D.- Family and Consumer Sciences, option in Dietetics, Coordinator  
Jeanne Snyder, Ph.D.- Gerontology, Coordinator  
Peter Ping Liu, Ph.D.- Technology and Certificate Programs, Coordinator

### **College of Sciences**

James McGaughey, Ed.D.- Natural Sciences, Concentration in Biological Sciences , Coordinator  
Charles Costa, Ph.D.- Biological Sciences, Coordinator  
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