

# *2009-10 Taft Annual Report*

## **The Charles Phelps Taft Research Center**



**2009-10 ANNUAL REPORT**  
**THE CHARLES PHELPS TAFT RESEARCH**  
**CENTER AND MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND**

**I. Taft Research Center: Major Activities and  
 Special Projects in 2009-10**

The 2009-10 academic year was an eventful, exciting, and challenging one for the Charles Phelps Taft Research Center. Concluding its fifth academic year, the Taft Research Center underwent many vital and invigorating transformations. In ongoing efforts to foster interdisciplinary exchange among Taft faculty and students, the Taft Research Center hosted important intellectual and social events, including a Humanities Forum in January 2010, the second annual luncheon for dissertation fellows and graduate directors in March 2010, and a Grant Writing Workshop in April 2010. In 2009-10, the Taft Research Center also inaugurated three Taft-sponsored research groups—Human Rights Humanities, Medical Humanities, and Urban Humanities—as well as coordinated reading groups and lecture series at the University of Cincinnati.

**THE TAFT “HOUSE”**

The Taft House—as the institutional location, visible presence, and convening space for the Taft Research Center—is vital to center activities. During the 2008-09 academic year, Dean Valerie Hardcastle stated that the UC administrators wished to discontinue paying the lease at the Taft House located in the Stratford Heights Complex at the end of the 2008-11 lease agreement. By spring 2009, however, following conversations between the Taft Executive Board, the Faculty Chair, and the Taft Trustees, Provost Tony Perzigian assured the Taft Trustees, including Chair Dudley Taft and Secretary and Legal Counsel Robert Rich, who had inquired about the matter, that the Taft House would remain secure as promised by former UC President Nancy Zimpher in a letter to the Taft Trustees issued in fall 2003.

In the final days of spring quarter 2010, with the end of Provost Tony Perzigian’s tenure rapidly concluding and before the arrival of newly-appointed Provost Santa Ono, Dean Valerie Hardcastle announced once more that the lease would not be paid by the UC administration after the expiration of the current lease in June 2011.

Thus, at the beginning of the 2010-11 academic year with the Faculty Chair beginning a two-quarter sabbatical and with German Studies Professor Todd Herzog serving as Interim Faculty Chair during fall 2010 and winter 2011, the Taft Executive Board must address a pressing, urgent, and time-compressed matter of the highest import: securing long-term institutional and geographical space for the Taft Research Center at the University of Cincinnati.

**MAJOR INITIATIVES IN 2009-10**

***Taft Conversion to Electronic Submissions Process:  
 Summer and Fall 2009***

The Taft Research Center began accepting applications strictly through its newly designed electronic submissions for all award categories. Working in collaboration with the Office of Research, Vice President for Research Sandra Degen, Executive Director of Research Programs Dawn O’Neill, and UC-IT Management Specialist Josette Riep, the Taft Research Center implemented an electronic submissions process based on a model first used by the University Research Council. Although not entirely free of experimental glitches, the electronic submission system now affords transparency to applicants, administrators, department heads, and others regarding applications submitted and in process.



Although a few hurdles remain, by the beginning of the fall 2010 academic quarter, we expect to have full functionality within the system on both user and administrative ends. By fall 2010, we will finalize details for uploading external letters of support (by scholars at other institutions or by Taft administrative staff) and augment the online form to include vital information once included in the cover sheets.

### ***Expansion of Taft Departments to include Africana Studies, Judaic Studies, and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies***

In fall 2009, letters of petition requesting Taft departmental affiliation were submitted by Professors Terry Kershaw, Deborah Meem, and Gila Safran Naveh, the department heads for Africana Studies, Women's Studies, and Judaic Studies, respectively. At the October 2010 meeting of the Taft Executive Board, the Board voted unanimously to support these three letters of petition and to recommend departmental affiliation.

As faculty chair, I also advocated to the Taft Trustees that the Taft Departments be expanded to include these three departments for all of the following reasons:

- all three fields of study are squarely grounded in the *humanities* and the *social sciences*, having grown largely out of the disciplinary methods, methodologies, and theoretical presuppositions of literature, history, sociology and other Taft disciplines;
- the three fields of study did not exist when the Taft fund was created in 1930, when "the humanities" were codified in the 1941 will, or when the Taft Departments were expanded to include social sciences (specifically Anthropology, Political Science, and Sociology) in 1962;
- if these fields of study had existed in those earlier historical moments, they would have had compelling rationales for inclusion as Taft departments given their solid grounding in the humanities and social sciences;
- the university has striven for diversity, and the Taft Research Center should reflect these institutional shifts;

- the total monetary commitment (approximately \$27,000-35,000) for granting Taft Departmental status is a small fraction of the total annual Taft Fund.

At the November 2010 Annual Trustees meeting, the Taft Trustees voted to grant Taft departmental affiliation to Africana Studies, Judaic Studies, and Women's, Gender and Sexuality studies in an overwhelmingly positive vote with two dissenting votes cast. At the beginning of the 2010-11 academic year, these three departments will officially become Taft Departments.

### ***Inaugurating Three Taft Research Groups—Human Rights Humanities, Medical Humanities, and Urban Humanities***

Beginning in academic year 2009-10, the Taft Research Center inaugurated three interdisciplinary research groups: Human Rights Humanities; Medical Humanities; and Urban Humanities. The three interdisciplinary research groups have subsequently begun and also will continue organizing readings, discussions, visiting lectures, and public fora at the University of Cincinnati.

#### **Humanities and Human Rights**

Drawing on insights from legal studies, political theory, history, literary studies, and other disciplines, the Human Rights and Humanities Study Group addresses the intersections of humanities, human rights, and intellectual debates about humanism and posthumanism.

#### **Medical Humanities**

The Medical Humanities Study Group examines the import of the humanities disciplines for medical research and practice.

#### **Urban Humanities**

Building on the UC|21 mission, the historical role of the University of Cincinnati as an urban institution, and the engaged nature of public humanities, the Urban Humanities Study Group will explore the vital contribution of humanities disciplines and scholars for understanding urban issues and solving urban problems.

*Humanities Forum: January 2010*

The January 2010 Humanities Forum featured a keynote lecture by Professor Srinivas Aravamudan, President of the Consortium of Humanities Centers and Institutes (CHCI) and Professor of English and Comparative Literature at Duke University, as well as former Director of the John Hope Franklin Institute for the Humanities at Duke. In his lecture, Professor Aravamudan addressed the vital need for an engaged public humanities in the 21st century academy.



The Humanities Forum also included a roundtable discussion between Professor Aravamudan and two other guest visitors—Gerald Early, Merle Kling Professor of Modern Letters and Director of the Center for Humanities at Washington University in Saint Louis, and Victory Bailey, Professor of British History and Director of the Hall Center for the Humanities at the University of Kansas.

For the roundtable discussion, Aravamudan, Early, and Bailey engaged three key questions:

- *What roles will the Humanities serve in the 21st century academy?*
- *Do the humanities have to “justify” their importance during economic recession? (in other words: engaged critical responses to the provocative *New York Times* article: “In Tough Times, the Humanities Must Justify Their Worth”)*
- *And finally, as directors and faculty, how do we trim budgets without dismantling programs?*

*Dissertation Fellows Luncheon: March 2010*

In March 2010, the Taft Research Center hosted its second annual Dissertation Fellows luncheon for both current 2009-10 and incoming 2010-11 Dissertation Fellows, as well as department heads, graduate directors, UC administrators, and other interested Taft faculty. Associate Dean of the Graduate School Robert Zierolf addressed the dissertation fellows and faculty about the value of graduation education and doctoral research at the University of Cincinnati. Catered by Maple Grove Farms and prepared by Chef Dan Berger, a lunch of quinoa salad, chicken picatta, and roasted vegetables was served in the Taft House lecture room. The luncheon allowed for casual conversation and cross-disciplinary interactions among Taft doctoral students and Taft faculty.

*Taft Grant Writing Workshop: April 2010*

On April 9, 2010, the Taft Research Center sponsored a Grant Writing Workshop. The workshop was structured as a roundtable discussion between Taft faculty who have either successfully written and won external grants or served on panels for grant-awarding institutions and Taft faculty interested in learning more about the process. Roundtable discussants included Don French (Mathematics), Lily Frierson (History), David Stradling (History), Valerie Hardcastle (Philosophy), Jennifer Malat (Sociology), and Alan Sullivan (Anthropology).



## **Taft Launches Medical Humanities Lecture Series**

Article written by Suzanne Warren

Date: April 13, 2010

In 1998, Michael Schiavo petitioned the Sixth Circuit Court of Florida for permission to disconnect the feeding tube of his wife, Terri Schiavo, and end her five-year vegetative state. Over the next seven years, the Schiavo case attracted international attention, setting off fierce debates in the medical, legal, and religious communities. "Because it brings the ethics of care to the forefront of cultural consciousness, Schiavo is one of a growing number of high-profile medical cases that might benefit from the wisdom of the medical humanities," notes Dean Valerie Hardcastle (Philosophy) of the College of Arts and Sciences. "As medical treatments become more sophisticated, doctors and lawyers confront complex ethical questions. Scholars working in the medical humanities aim to weigh in on these crucial medical and scientific matters," she explains.

The Taft Research Center is proud to launch a new spring lecture series on the medical humanities devoted to these and other questions, including "the sociocultural aspects of health and disease and their meanings, as well as biological factors," says Professor Wendy Kline (History), who lectures on April 23. The series begins Friday, April 16 at 2:00 pm with "A Critical Evaluation of Culture, Race, and Cultural Competence in Health Care" by Professor Jennifer Malat (Sociology) and features three subsequent Friday afternoon lectures (see schedule below).

The lecture series is sponsored by the Taft Center Medical Humanities Research Group, an affiliation of scholars of anthropology, English, history, philosophy, and sociology who wish to examine the import of the humanities disciplines for medical research and practice. Dean Hardcastle observes that the medical

humanities are necessarily cross-disciplinary because "they grapple with real-world questions. If you isolate them, you don't get a complete answer."

For example, both Kline and Hardcastle cite gender studies as an important field in medical humanities scholarship. "The medical community screwed up," states Hardcastle, noting that women were not included in early scientific studies because fluctuating hormone levels skewed the data. However, therapies developed through rigorous testing proved ineffective for women, because "women are not just tiny, curvy men" and require different forms of treatment. And when "we don't know how to treat heart disease in women as well as we do in men, medicine may profit from the insights of gender studies."

The Taft Center Medical Humanities Research Group invites lecturers, arranges colloquia, writes and submits grants to the NEH and NIH, and aims to design curricula for an interdisciplinary and cross-college program in medical humanities at the University of Cincinnati. Dean Hardcastle is developing a certificate program for undergraduates interested in health professions that will provide tools to "help understand the complex intellectual issues associated with practicing medicine today."

The general public as well as humanities scholars and medical and scientific practitioners are encouraged to attend the lecture series. As Dean Hardcastle notes, "at some point any of us might need to consider a do-not-resuscitate form or discuss medical issues with a person of a religious or educational background different than his or her own." Whether the issue is end-of-life care, culturally-specific meanings of health and disease, or gender bias in scientific protocols, "medical humanities touch everybody's lives."

### Spring 2010 Medical Humanities Lecture Series

In Spring 2010, the Taft Research Center sponsored a Medical Humanities Lecture Series with lectures addressing issues in medical anthropology, medical history, medical rhetorical, and sociological approaches to race, public health, and inequities in medical treatment.

April 16, 2010

Jennifer Malat, Sociology

*A Critical Evaluation of Culture, Race, and Cultural Competence in Health Care*



April 23, 2010

Wendy Kline, History

*Childbirth Made Difficult: Raising Consciousness on the Delivery Table*

April 30, 2010

Jeff Jacobson, Anthropology and Family Medicine

*Carried Away: Sociocultural Dimensions of Dissociative Distress in Two Central American Communities*



May 7, 2010

Lisa Meloncon, English

*Articulating Episteme: Vernacular Medical Texts in Early Modern England*



The Medical Humanities Research Group will reconvene on September 23 from 2:00-3:30 pm in the Taft House library to confer about curricular development, potential symposia, and potential invited guest lectures; and on September 22 from 12:00-1:00 pm in 2108 Stetson (located at the corner of Martin Luther King and Highland Avenue), Dr. Fred Reynolds, Ph.D., UC Executive Vice-President and Professor of English and Psychiatry, will deliver a lecture on mental health record keeping.

### MAJOR PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN BY THE TAFT EXECUTIVE BOARD AND TAFT STAFF

#### ***Restructuring of the Taft Research Seminar Program: New Deadlines, Flexible Structure for 2010-11***

In November 2008, the Taft Executive Board approved the restructuring of the Taft Research Seminar Program to include one- and two-quarter seminar proposals, as well as year-long seminars. One-quarter seminars will be approved and funded proportionately at 33.3 percent of the year-long seminar award; and two-quarter seminars will be approved and funded proportionately at 66.6 percent of the year-long seminar award. Given the restructured seminar program, the Taft Research Center will accept applications throughout the academic year at set deadlines. 2010-11 Taft Seminar Proposals may be submitted for the following 2009-10 deadlines: September 8, November 1, January 4, February 1, and April 6. Additional details about the restructured Taft Research Seminars program is available in the 2009-10 Request for Proposals on the Taft Research Center website.

## II. Administration and Governance

Faculty governed, the Charles Phelps Taft Memorial Endowment Fund and the Taft Research Center are administered by the Taft Executive Board and Taft committees. Comprised of the faculty chair, seventeen Taft faculty, and five UC administrators (President, Vice President for Research, Vice President and Dean of the Graduate School, Provost, and Dean of the McMicken College of Arts and Sciences), all of whom serve as ex officio members, the Taft Executive Board reviews and approves all award recommendations by Taft committees, establishes policy, procedures, and guidelines, writes and implements the Taft Bylaws, and makes recommendations to the Taft Trustees.

Additionally, the Taft Research Center is governed by eight committees, seven award committees and a planning committee that prepares and submits the annual Taft budget for review by the Taft Executive Board and the Taft Trustees. The Taft Awards committees include Conferences & Lectures; Faculty Travel; Research Support; Faculty Fellowships; Student Awards; Publications; and Center Fellows.

Members of the 2009-10 Taft Award Committees included Debashis Pal (Economics); Tom Moore (Political Science); Anna Linders (Sociology); Chris Gauker (Philosophy); John Drury (English and Comparative Literature); Wendy Kline (History); Maria Paz Moreno (Romance Languages and Literatures); Dan Ralescu (Mathematics); Deborah Meem (Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies); Jeffrey Mills (Economics); Kenneth Tankersley (Anthropology); Stan Corbin (English and Comparative Literature); John Brackett (History); Jeff Jacobson (Anthropology); Katharina Gerstenberger (German Studies); Oliver Parent (Economics); Steve Carlton-Ford (Sociology); Sarah Jackson (Anthropology); David A. Herron (Mathematics); Julia Carlson (English and Comparative Literature); Todd Herzog (German Studies); Jennifer Glaser (English and Comparative Literature); Tara Smith (Mathematics); Claude Lopez (Economics); Scott Dumas (Mathematics); George Bishop (Political Science); Jenefer Robinson (Philosophy); Nicasio Urbina (Romance Languages and Literatures); Nages Shanmugalingam (Mathematics); Barbara Bardes (Political Science); Tom Polger (Philosophy); Isaac Campos-Costero (History); and Gary Weissman (English and Comparative Literature). Members of the 2009-10 Taft Planning Committee included Wlodek Brycz (Mathematics); Nages Shanmugalingam (Mathematics); Richard Schade (German Studies); David Stradling (History); and Jana Evans Brazier, faculty chair.

The Taft Research Center depends mightily on the indefatigable service and intellectual dedication of all of these devoted committee members, and to them we are extremely grateful. Finally, the Taft Trustees vote to approve the annual Taft Budget, prepared by the Planning Committee and approved by the Taft Executive Board. We are expressly grateful to the magnanimity and support of the Taft family and the Taft Trustees.

The Taft Research Center benefits daily from the expertise, experience, and equanimity of **Joy Dunn**, the Administrative Coordinator, without whom we could not and would not run—and certainly not as smoothly! Joy Dunn continues to be, as I tell everyone, the *3Hs: heart: hands: head* of the Taft Research Center. To her, I owe a debt of gratitude beyond my measure to amply repay, though I will earnestly assay repaying that debt during my tenure as Taft faculty chair.

During 2009-10, we were also fortunate to have three skilled and resourceful graduate assistants on staff: **Manuel Iris**, the residential graduate fellow, facilitates Taft events in the Taft House, greets after-hours visiting scholars in the evening or late night, arranges chairs for lectures, cleans up after lectures, serves as resident assistant to the Taft House residents, maintains the Taft video blog, and facilitates the work of the office. Manuel is a doctoral candidate in Romance Languages and Literatures and an award-winning national poet of Mexico. **Sean Keating**, Taft Center Graduate Assistant, is liaison between the Center and the ten Taft departments and is responsible for assisting with the operation of the Taft Office, which includes coordinating the committee meetings and processing the proposals. Sean is a doctoral candidate in Philosophy with general interests in philosophy of science, epistemology, philosophy of mind, and neurophilosophy. Sean is currently writing his dissertation under the direction of Professor John Bickle, former Head of UC Philosophy, regarding a new integrative, multifield approach to the self, focusing specifically on the causal efficacy of narratives in constraining actions. **Suzanne Warren** edits and designs Taft publications and maintains the website. She also assists the Taft Faculty Chair and Administrative Coordinator of the Taft Research Center with planning special events, fundraising, and daily operations. Suzanne is a doctoral candidate in English and Comparative Literature with a creative dissertation.

### III. 2009-10 Taft Budget and Awards

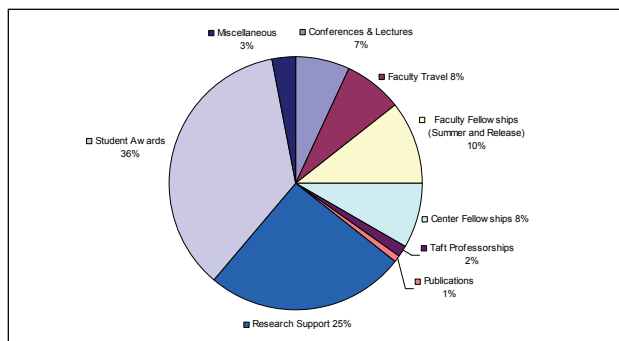
The total annual distribution for 2009-10 from the Charles Phelps Taft Memorial Endowment Fund to the Taft Research Center equaled \$1,302,364.00, which was deposited into the endowment fund managed by the A&S Business Office in twelve monthly installments of \$105,083.34. Because the awards deadlines and reimbursements are variable from month to month, the Taft Fund Balance is also highly variable throughout the academic year.

As the first chart below reveals, the overall 2009-10 Taft Budget was allocated proportionally among Student Awards (36%); Faculty Awards (29%); Departmental Awards (32%); and Staff and Miscellaneous expenditures (3%).

A further statistical analysis of Taft allocations (as documented in the second chart below) demonstrates the Taft awards are disbursed in the following percentages:

- Student Awards (36%);
- Research Support (25%);
- Faculty Fellowships (10%);
- Faculty Travel Awards (8%);
- Center Fellowships (8%);
- Conferences & Lectures (7%);
- Staff and Miscellaneous (3%);
- Taft Professorships (2%);
- Publications (1%).

### OVERALL 2009-10 TAFT BUDGET & AWARDS



### STUDENT PROGRAMS (36% OF BUDGET)

#### Student Awards Committee

The overall budget for the Student Awards committee during academic year of 2009-2010 was \$469,000, which includes \$125,000 in Graduate Enhancement Awards, allocated by department; \$26,000 in Taft Graduate Assistantships and Fellowships; \$35,000 for Undergraduate Senior Thesis Fellowships; \$1,000 for a Graduate Colloquium; and \$282,000 in competitive awards for Taft graduate and undergraduate students. Of the \$282,000.00 allocated for competitive student awards, only \$276,885.22 was awarded and expended during 2009-10.

Of the various categories of funding available to the students of the Taft departments, the Taft Student Awards Committee was responsible for the awards in the categories of Graduate Student Travel, Graduate Enrichment Awards, Undergraduate Enrichment Awards, and Taft Dissertation Fellowships.

The committee was comprised of Professors Barbara Bardes (Political Science), Thomas Polger (Philosophy), Isaac Campos-Costero (History), Gary Weissman (English), and Nageswari Shanmugalingam (Mathematics), who chaired the 2009-10 Student Awards committee. The Committee's allocated budget was \$469,000. Total funds expended amounted to \$457,174. The committee met throughout the academic year. The following provides a breakdown of the committee's work in the relevant grant categories:

#### Taft Dissertation Fellowships

Graduate students in Taft departments who are conducting dissertation research toward a PhD degree are eligible to apply in this category for a one-year fellowship of \$15,200. While previous Taft Dissertation Fellowship recipients are not disqualified from applying again, their applications are given lower priority. Each of the PhD degree-granting departments can put forward up to three candidates, one of whom is designated as the departmental candidate. Except under extraordinary circumstances, the departmental nominees are given a fellowship in this category.

The budget available in this category was \$213,000, of which \$212,800.14 was awarded.

A total of 19 applications were received by the committee in this category, of which 14 were awarded. The departments of English (3), German (3), History (1), Mathematical Sciences (3), Philosophy (2), Political Science (2), Romance Languages and Literatures (3), and Sociology (2) nominated candidates in this category, of which three from English, two from German, one from History, three from Mathematical Sciences, one from Philosophy, one from Political Science, one from Romance Languages and Literatures, and two from Sociology were awarded the fellowship.

#### Graduate Travel Awards

Graduate students of the Taft departments traveling to conferences to present a paper or talk based on their research are eligible to apply in this category for travel support up to \$500 once a year. The budget available in this category was \$14,000. However, because of the large number of worthy applications received during the academic year in this category, and because the experience gained by participating in conferences is crucial in the education of graduate



students, the committee decided to go over budget in this category. Thus during the academic year a total of \$ 15,699.04 was awarded in this category.

During the academic year, a total of thirty-eight applications were received by the committee in this category, of which thirty-seven were awarded. Of the three deadlines for applications in this category (October 2009, January 2010, April 2010), majority of the applications (twenty total ) were received during the spring quarter.

#### *Graduate Enrichment Awards*

Graduate students of the Taft departments traveling outside the Cincinnati area to perform dissertation-related research or collaborative work are eligible to apply in this category for travel support. While there is no limit placed on the number of applications a student can submit in this category, there is a limit of \$ 2,500 per student during each twenty-four month period. The budget available in this category is \$30,000. Because of the large number of applications received in this category, the award was very competitive. However, given the large number of excellent applications, the committee decided to go over budget in this category. During the academic year, a total of \$ 34,664.45 was awarded in this category.

The committee received a total of thirty-one applications in this category during the academic year, of which twenty-one were awarded. Majority of the applications were received during the January 2010 and April 2010 deadlines. Because of the competitive nature of the awards in this category, the committee used criteria such as quality of the research proposed, quality of the applications, and whether the application packages were complete.

#### *Undergraduate Enrichment Awards*

Undergraduate students with declared majors in one of the Taft departments are eligible to apply in this category for travel support for travel related to research or study projects that are not part of the regular curriculum but will enhance their learning experience in the Taft-related major. The budget available in this category was \$25,000, of which \$13,721.59 was awarded during the academic year.

The committee received a total of twelve applications in this category, of which nine were awarded. The committee used criteria such as relevance of the

related travel to their Taft-departmental major, quality of the applications, and whether the expenses were for a project which is appropriate for this category.

#### *Undergraduate Senior Research Fellows*

The allocation of this award was \$3,500 per Taft department for a total of \$35,000. Each department selected a senior research fellow, who completed a substantial piece of independent research as mentioned earlier. Departments viewed this new award as a major enhancement in their capacity to attract and support outstanding undergraduate majors. We expect this program to grow in prominence over the next few years. The selection is conducted in each Taft department, so the Student Awards Committee did not take direct action on this award, except to provide oversight of department decisions.

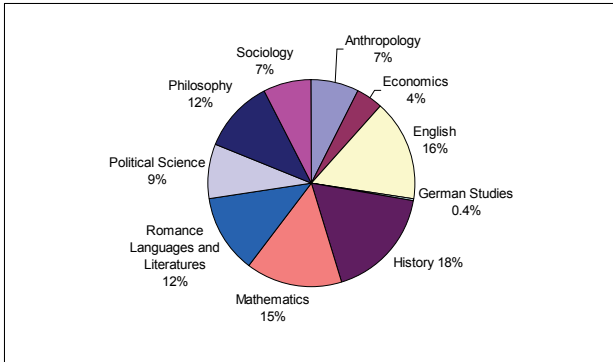
#### *Summary*

In 2009-10, the Taft Research Center continued its longstanding practice of providing crucial support for graduate and undergraduate students in Taft departments. By and large, applications were of high quality, and programs were competitive.

The Taft Student Awards Committee worked hard to keep within the allocated budget for the academic year. Though there was an over-expenditure in the categories of Graduate Student Travel and Graduate Enrichment Awards, the under-utilization of the Undergraduate Enrichment Awards compensated to enable the committee to keep within the budget allocated for the academic year 2009-2010.



## FACULTY AWARDS BY DEPARTMENT



Of the \$136,000 allocated for Faculty Fellowships, however, only \$124,200 was awarded in 2009-10; and of the \$109,050 allocated for Center Fellowships only \$108,263 was expended in 2009-10.

While Faculty Awards (29% of the Fund) includes the \$20,000 allocated for the Taft Professorships (2%), the statistical analysis of Faculty Awards by Department does not include Taft Professorships, which are ongoing annual allotments, but only awards granted during the 2009-10 academic year.

### FACULTY AWARDS (29% OF THE FUND)

Faculty Awards comprise 29% of the Total Fund in the amount of \$375,300 with a breakdown among the following Taft award categories:

Four distinct standing committees review and recommend to the Taft Faculty Executive Board candidates in the eight individual faculty awards: the Faculty Travel Committee (Domestic, International, and Research Travel); the Faculty Fellowship Committee (Faculty Release, Summer Research); the Center Fellows committee; and the Publications Committee (Subventions and Publication Costs). The four committee chairs' reports are summarized below.

#### Faculty Awards (29% of Fund)

Faculty Travel Awards	\$	100,000
Faculty Fellowship Awards	\$	136,000
Center Fellows Award	\$	109,050
Taft Professors	\$	20,000
Publications	\$	10,250
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>375,300</b>

#### A. Faculty Travel Awards Committee

The Faculty Travel Awards Committee included Julia S. Carlson (English), Sarah Jackson (Anthropology), Steve Carlton-Ford (Sociology), and David Herron (Mathematics). Olivier Parent (Economics) served as committee chair and delivered the chair's reports to the Taft Executive Board.

Faculty Travel Awards supported three award categories: Research Travel Grants, International Conference Travel Awards and Domestic Travel Grants. The total budget for the travel awards was

Department	# of Faculty	# of Awards	Total Awarded	Award \$ per faculty	% by Dept
Anthropology	9	9	\$ 24,335.00	\$ 2,703.89	7.47%
Economics	13	6	\$ 13,833.00	\$ 1,064.08	4.25%
English	40	23	\$ 51,030.00	\$ 1,275.75	15.67%
German	5	4	\$ 1,237.00	\$ 247.40	0.38%
History	23	16	\$ 57,041.00	\$ 2,480.04	17.52%
Mathematics	41	29	\$ 48,440.00	\$ 1,181.46	14.88%
Philosophy	12	7	\$ 39,896.00	\$ 3,324.67	12.25%
Political Science	10	6	\$ 28,020.00	\$ 2,802.00	8.60%
RLL	12	12	\$ 37,817.00	\$ 3,151.42	11.61%
Sociology	10	10	\$ 23,983.00	\$ 2,398.30	7.37%
	175	122	<b>\$325,632.00</b>		100.00%

\$100,000. An additional \$20,000 was reallocated from Direct Research Costs to Faculty Travel Awards, bringing the total budget to \$120,000, The total expended for 2009-10 was \$98,423.23.

#### *Travel for Research Grants*

Travel for Research Grants are awards meant to cover expenses for faculty who need to travel in order to conduct their research. These individual awards are limited to \$3,700 in any twenty-four month period. The committee recommended the approval of twelve requests (in total or part), totaling \$33,206.70. Though the initial budget for this category was \$25,000; the additional \$8206.70 was re-allocation from unexpended Taft award categories by the Taft Faculty Chair.

#### *International Conference Travel Awards*

Taft provides support for faculty members who are invited or selected to make presentations at international academic meetings. The initial budget for this category was \$50,000. These grants are particularly valuable to our faculty and they continue to be a popular and well-utilized source of funding. These grants enable faculty to publicize their research around the world and garner important and useful contacts with international colleagues in their fields. These awards are limited to \$2,700 in any twenty-four month period. This year Taft provided funding for twenty-four requests (totally or partially) totaling \$43,145.23. The remaining expended balance (\$6,854.77) was reallocated to cover excesses in Travel for Research.

#### *Domestic Travel Grants*

The Taft Research Center helps to defray travel expenses for faculty members invited to make presentations at academic meetings within the United States. This year Taft provided funding for fifty-one proposals totaling \$22,071.30. Part of the remaining expended balance (\$2,928.70) was reallocated to cover excesses in Travel for Research.

#### **Summary**

Demand for faculty travel awards continues to trend upward and the Faculty Executive Board will need to consider expansion of the number of awards that may be given through an increase in the overall budget for this category. One guideline change that will be added in 2010-11 based on the committee's review of domestic travel proposals is the addition of criteria detailing future publication plans within the Domestic

Travel proposal. Typically, faculty use domestic conferences to forward early research and receive feedback from national and international colleagues with the eventual prospect of submitting their research for publication. The addition of this criterion strengthens the committee's capacity to assess productivity when considering subsequent proposals from the same faculty at later stages of the work or proposals in a new line of research. Overall, Faculty Travel remains a critical aspect of Taft Research Center support.

#### **B. Faculty Fellowship Committee**

The Faculty Fellowship Committee consisted of John Brackett (History), Stan Corkin (English), Katharina Gerstenberger (German Studies), Jeff Jacobson (Anthropology) and was chaired by Annulla Linders (Sociology). John Brackett resigned half-way through the year.

#### *Faculty Release Fellowships*

These \$6,000 release fellowships are provided directly to the Department to allow a faculty member to be released from teaching for one quarter in order to pursue a specific research project. It is required that applicants obtain at least one additional quarter of release time (generally in the form of academic or professional leave) and thus this award pool tends to correlate with the number of sabbaticals in a given year. The budget supports up to five fellowships for a total of \$30,000 with the possibility of research cost supplements of up to \$1,500. All of the awards were allocated. This year the Committee received eight applications for the five fellowships (a decrease of three from the previous year). The quality level of the applications was generally high and all applicants were deemed eligible by the committee. Using the program guidelines, the committee members ranked the applications and, in the end, reached a unanimous agreement about the top five applications. The awards went to four Associate Professors and one Full Professor. The awardees are from English & Comparative Literature, History, Political Science, and Romance Languages & Literatures (two individuals). In addition, research supplement support was awarded to two of the five FRF recipients for a total of \$2,574.00.

### *Summer Research Fellowships*

This program provides up to twelve fellowships of \$8,000 and up to \$1,500 in research support to support faculty members' summer research endeavors. Of these, up to three fellowships are reserved for untenured junior faculty in tenure-track positions who have never been awarded and used a Taft Summer Research Grant. The number of applications and the number of applicants qualifying for the set-aside pool fluctuates significantly from year to year. This year we had thirteen applications, a decrease of eleven from last year. Eleven awards were allocated; eight awards went to assistant professors. Eleven of the applications came from Assistant Professors, and one each from an Associate and Full Professor; nine of the awardees were Assistant Professors. Using the program guidelines, the committee members ranked the applications and, in the end, reached a unanimous agreement about the top eleven applications. The committee determined that the remaining two applications were indistinguishable from each other in terms of quality and therefore decided to award only eleven fellowships. The awardees are from Anthropology (two), Economics, English, History (two), Mathematical Sciences (three), and Philosophy (two). In addition, the Committee awarded a total of four research supplements for a total of \$5,350, although only \$2,650 had been expended by the end of 2009-10.

### *Summary*

Faculty fellowships continue to be very competitive, making the selection and evaluation process particularly arduous. Taft Faculty Fellowships are highly sought after; and the selected faculty fellows, without fail, utilize the time productively to research, write, and publish free of teaching responsibilities.

### **C. Taft Center Fellows Committee**

Given the high-profile nature of the Center Fellows program and its unique objective of encouraging a multidisciplinary environment at the Taft Research Center, the Center Fellows Committee membership is established through bylaw procedures. The Faculty Chair selects candidates from a pool of previous Taft Center Fellows. The committee membership in 2007-08 was the first year of full implementation of this structure, patterned on prestigious national fellowship granting agencies; and the procedure was followed again in 2009-10.

The 2009-10 Taft Center Fellows Committee included Annulla Linders (Sociology), who chaired the committee; Wendy Kline (History); Christopher Gauker (Philosophy); Debashis Pal (Economics); John Drury (English); and Thomas Moore (Political Science). The Center Fellows Committee met in October 2009 to evaluate the applications and selected the 2010-11 Center Fellows:

George Bishop, Political Science  
Isaac Campos-Costero, History  
Jennifer Malat, Sociology  
John Martin, Philosophy  
Thérèse Migraine-George, Romance Languages  
Gary Weissman, English

### **George Bishop, Department of Political Science**

**Project Title:** *The Irrational Public*



**Project Abstract:** This project challenges the “rational choice” paradigm that prevails—despite much contrary evidence—not only in economics, political science, public policy, and public opinion polling, but also in popular discourse about human affairs. One need only think of recent, irrational uproars in town hall meetings across the

country on the issue of health care reform, “death panels,” and the like to get that the fuss was not simply about opinions on surface policy matters, but rather about deep-rooted passions, irrational fears, and beliefs. Along with behavioral economists and a growing number of political scientists, political psychologists, neuroscientists, and cognitive psychologists, Bishop will demonstrate that basic beliefs, attitudes, and opinions about politics, science, religion, and public affairs are largely based on ignorance and systematic cognitive-psychological biases that do not magically cancel out by miracles of statistical aggregation; that judgments and preferences on virtually everything are driven mostly by “gut rationality” and neuro-emotional processes, mechanisms, and forces beyond conscious awareness; and that much, if not all, of public opinion is decidedly not rational—indeed, rather irrational.

**Biographical Note:** George Bishop is Professor of Political Science and Director of the Graduate Certificate Program in Public Opinion and Survey Research at UC. He received his PhD from Michigan State University in 1973 and began his academic career as Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at the University of Notre Dame (1973-75). Prior to joining the Department of Political Science full-time in 1994, he was Senior Research Associate, Director of the Greater Cincinnati Survey, and Co-Director of the Ohio Poll at UC's Institute for Policy Research (1975-1994). His book *The Illusion of Public Opinion* (2005) has been reviewed in multiple professional journals in political science, public opinion, journalism, mass communication, and sociology.

**Isaac Campos-Costero, Department of History**

**Project Title:** *Drugs, Justice, and Subaltern Mexico City, 1934–1940*



**Project**

**Abstract:** On March 15, 1920, Mexico inaugurated its War on Drugs. On that day, the Mexican Department of Public Sanitation

banned the cultivation and sale of marijuana nationwide, while significantly restricting the import and distribution of opium, morphine, heroin, and cocaine. It was a quiet beginning for a policy that would help produce the powerful criminal gangs now threatening Mexico's national security. This book manuscript chronicles the development of this legislation. Campos will examine the impact of that and subsequent drug laws from approximately 1934–1940. The centerpiece of this study will be an extraordinary collection of several hundred arrest records that document the world of illicit drug use, law enforcement, and judicial procedure in Mexico at a time when the fundamental laws and ideologies that sustain today's War on Drugs were still in construction. The research will also help us better understand the daily lives and struggles of some of Mexico's most marginalized citizens during the revolutionary 1930s.

**Biographical Note:** Isaac Campos-Costero received his PhD from Harvard University in 2006. His research deals primarily with the history of drugs in Mexico and greater North America. He is particularly interested in the development of the ideas undergirding the War on Drugs. He has received numerous fellowships and awards including a recent postdoctoral position at the Center for US-Mexican Studies at the University of California, San Diego. In his spare time he enjoys spending time with his wife and son, fishing, and bird watching.

**Jennifer Malat, Department of Sociology**

**Project Title:** *Social Factors Affecting Health Care Experiences*



**Project Abstract:**

Inequality in health care is a significant problem in the United States that receives a great deal of research and policy attention. Yet research has not fully identified the causes of the problem, because it is caused by complex social forces. This project

will examine two specific aspects of social life that may lead to inequality in health care. First, this research will evaluate how patients' class background and racialized experiences influence their logic regarding interacting with doctors. Second, this project will assess how race, place, and health care availability relate to health care access. Together, these projects will improve understanding of how race and class inequality in health care are created and maintained in health care.

**Biographical Note:** Associate Professor of Sociology Jennifer Malat received her PhD in Sociology from the University of Michigan in 2000. Her research employs a critical perspective on race in order to examine how ideas of race affect patients' and doctors' perceptions of health care. Her previous research has appeared in *Social Science & Medicine*, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, *American Journal of Public Health*, *Ethnic and Racial Studies* as well as other journals.

**John Martin, Department of Philosophy**

**Project Title:** *Cartesian Semantics*



**Project Abstract:** This project explores the revisions in semantic theory forced upon logic by the acceptance in the sixteenth century of Descartes' new ontology and physics. Because the Cartesians rejected causal interaction between material

objects and the mind, they could no longer hold that an idea stood for "the sort of thing" that caused it to be formed in the mind in the first place. The book will explore in particular the new explanations of reference proposed Antoine Arnauld and Nicolas Malebranche, who differed radically though they both regarded themselves as true disciples of Descartes.

Because Cartesian logic stressed semantics rather than formal logic, it has largely been ignored by historians of logic, despite the fact that Cartesian logic, especially the Port Royal Logic, dominated logic in Europe universities from the sixteenth to the nineteenth century. This book will help fill this lacuna in logical history. It will lay out the details of Cartesian semantics theory, pointing out its strengths and weaknesses. In the process it will explain how it is that the idea of "intentional content," which is traceable directly to Arnauld, has come to be a major part of modern theory.

**Biographical Note:** John N. Martin has been Professor of Philosophy at UC since 1973. He received his AB at University of California, Davis and PhD at University of Toronto. His areas of research include history of logic, formal semantics, and environmental ethics. His books include *Elements of Formal Semantics* (Academic Press, 1987) and *Themes in Neoplatonic and Aristotelian Semantics* (Ashgate, 2003).

**Thérèse Migraine-George, Department of Romance Languages and Literatures**

**Project Title:** *(Post)Francophone Writers and the Creation of a New World Literature in French*

**Project Abstract:** This book manuscript explores how contemporary writers from a variety of Francophone



regions engage with renewed debates on the identity and difference of Francophone literature. As illustrated by a number of recent publications on

Francophonie as a "battlefield" of competing literary, cultural, theoretical, and institutional discourses, this area of study has undergone significant changes over the last few years. After becoming a central component of French literary studies in the North American academy in the 1990s, *Francophonie* as a coherent framework is now being questioned, or even rejected, by various critics and writers. This study addresses the following questions: How do these writers stress their own creative autonomy in the field of Francophone literature? How does their use of new aesthetic forms and genres complicate the categories of "Francophone" and "postcolonial" literatures? What specific gender and sexual issues do Francophone women and gay writers explore in their works? Although based primarily on French/Francophone literature, this book project is broadly multidisciplinary and cross-cultural.

**Biographical Note:** Thérèse Migraine-George (PhD Comparative Literature, University of Colorado at Boulder) is an Associate Professor of French in the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures at UC. Her book *African Women and Representation: From Performance to Politics* (Africa World Press, 2008) focuses on sub-Saharan African women's plays and their contexts of origin. She has written book chapters and articles on African, Caribbean, Canadian, Belgian, and Swiss Francophone women writers. She is also the author of an essay/memoir, *Mes Etats-Unis: Portraits d'une Amérique que vous ne connaissez pas* (Edilivre, 2009) and of a forthcoming novel: *Amour de travers* (Edilivre, 2010).

**Gary Weissman, Department of English and Comparative Literature**

**Project Title:** *The Author in the Well: Misreading and Rewriting Literature*

**Project Abstract:** This book project has its origin in Weissman's experiences teaching "The Man in the

Well" (1995), a remarkable short story by Ira Sher. The story tells of children playing on an abandoned farm lot who discover a man trapped in a dry well and choose not to save him or inform others of their discovery; instead, after three days of toying with him, they leave the man to perish. Weissman found that his students' interpretations regularly exhibit two curious qualities: first, a readiness to reach conclusions that find little or no textual support, but rest instead on invented elements; and, second, a propensity to exonerate the children, typically by invoking childhood innocence or by demonizing the trapped man. Confronting what struck him as ethically dubious misreadings, and needing to respond to them constructively, Weissman felt it necessary to reassess his basis for distinguishing between more and less valid interpretations and for teaching students to do the same. This project enacts this reassessment by revisiting the question of where authority lies for judging the validity of literary interpretations. Taking Sher's short story as its centerpiece, this study draws on work in literary theory, composition studies, and creative writing studies. In particular, it makes the case for analyzing and teaching literature in ways that trouble the distinction between valid interpretations and errant misreadings. Weissman's project advocates treating the borderland between reading and misreading as a gray area in which the most thought-provoking and insightful probing of literary texts may occur. It also explores how and why, decades after literary scholars have proclaimed the irrelevance of authorial intention to determinations of textual meaning, the author who serves to anchor meaning continues to haunt acts of reading.

**Biographical Note:** Gary Weissman is assistant professor of English and Comparative Literature at UC, where he teaches courses on literature, film, and critical theory. He is the author of *Fantasies of Witnessing: Postwar Efforts to Experience the Holocaust* (Cornell University Press, 2004) and essays published



in *Teaching the Representation of the Holocaust* (MLA, 2004) and *Holocaust Literature: An Encyclopedia of Writers and their Work* (Routledge, 2004). His work

has been supported by fellowships from the Jacob K. Javits Fellowship Program, the US/UK Fulbright Commission, the University Research Council, and the Charles Phelps Taft Research Center.

### **Summary**

The fifth year of the Center Fellows program cemented this program as a centerpiece of the Taft Research Center. The six 2009-10 fellows met at the Taft House in lunch seminars and finished the year convinced that they would continue their cross-disciplinary professional exchange as they returned to their departments. This is a critical aspect of the program and the success of creating a multidisciplinary cohort rested primarily on the seriousness of purpose which all six Center fellows displayed through the year.

### **D. Taft Professor Search Committee**

The retirement of Taft Professor Barbara Ramusack (History) in spring 2009 opened a new Taft Professorship. In fall 2009, the Faculty Chair issued a call for nominations for the Taft Professorship and formed the Taft Professor Search Committee, composed of Taft Professors David Minda (Mathematics), Magda Peligrad (Mathematics), Bob Richardson (Philosophy), and Armando Romero (Romance Languages and Literatures), and Denny Young, who represented the Taft Trustees. During winter 2010, following review of portfolio and letters of nomination, the pool was narrowed to five candidates, and external referees were solicited from within each finalist's area of expertise. External reviews were gathered and presented to the search committee who unanimously made a nominee recommendation to the Taft Faculty Executive Board, forwarded and approved by the Taft Trustees, which accepted the recommendation to honor Vernon



Scarborough (Anthropology) as a Taft Professor.

**Vernon L. Scarborough** is Distinguished Research Professor in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Cincinnati. His topical interests remain water

management and the engineered landscape in the context of the archaic state. By examining ancient engineered water systems and landscapes, he addresses societal sustainability issues from a comparative ecological perspective. In addition to his work in the US American Southwest (El Paso area, 1982-1986), he has emphasized international fieldwork. He has taught and conducted excavations for the University of Khartoum, Sudan (postdoctoral exchange with Southern Methodist University—1981-82) and the University of Peshawar, Pakistan (Fulbright Fellowship 1986). Ongoing land use and water management studies in Belize and Guatemala, complement past work in the Argolid, Greece (1994) and Bali, Indonesia (1998). Since 1992, he has been co-director (with Dr. Fred Valdez at the University of Texas at Austin) of the Programme for Belize Archaeological Project, a large, annually active, research project in northwestern Belize. He has been directly funded by the National Science Foundation, the National Geographic Society, and the Wenner-Gren Foundation (Balinese support) in addition to several grants from the Taft Memorial Fund and the University of Cincinnati. He received a Weatherhead Fellowship (1995-95) and two Summer Resident Scholarships (1996, 2000) from the School of Advanced Research in Santa Fe, New Mexico. In 2004, he was awarded the All-University Faculty Rieveschl Award for Creative and Scholarly Works from the University of Cincinnati. Most recently he received a Taft Center Fellowship for the academic year 2006-07. He has published seven books—including five edited volumes—and over seventy book chapters and journal articles.

#### **E. Publications Committee (1% of the Fund)**

The Publications Committee consisted of Todd Herzog (German Studies, Chair), Jennifer Glaser (English and Comparative Literature), and Tara Smith (Mathematics). The Committee evaluates support for direct publication subvention and subsidies for indexing, translations, the preparation of photos, illustrations, and maps, and accompanying copyrights. In the academic year 2009-2010 the Committee provided awards totaling \$8,588, compared to the previous year's awards of \$2,370.73.

All applications were able to be funded in full. Subvention awards were granted Richard Harknett (Political Science) and Jeffrey Loveland (Romance

Languages and Literatures). Publication Cost awards were granted Steven Bowman (Judaic Studies), Wendy Kline (History), John McEvoy (Philosophy), Tom Sakmyster (History), and David Stradling (History).

#### **DEPARTMENTAL AND INTERDISCIPLINARY AWARDS (32% OF THE FUND)**

##### **A. Research Support (32% of the Fund)**

The Research Support Committee for 2009-10 consisted of Scott Dumas (Mathematics), George Bishop (Political Science), Jenefer Robinson (Philosophy), Nicasio Urbina (Romance Languages), and Claude Lopez (Economics), who chaired the committee. The committee had five meetings (October, November, January, February, and April), during which it reviewed eight applications: one for collection, two for cost-sharing, two for direct research costs, and three for research seminars. We funded all of them, except one: one direct research cost did not meet the criteria explained in the guidelines.

##### *Cost-Sharing Awards*

Cost-sharing was allocated \$35,000 and awarded \$29,990. The Research Support committee received and reviewed two requests for cost-sharing from Mathematics. Both were fully funded. They will cost-share with external grants submitted to the National Security Agency (NSA) and the National Science Foundation (NSF).

##### *Research Cost Support*

As initiated in 2007-08, and continued in 2008-09 and in 2009-10, the Research Support committee now reviews Research Cost Support applications under three major sub-categories: Collections; Direct Research Cost; and Research Collaboration.

##### *Collections*

The Collections line was allocated \$50,000, but the committee actually awarded \$80,750—with additional funds being transferred from under-expended categories under Research Support. The Research Support committee received and reviewed one request for collection from Romance Languages and Literatures in order to buy the *Eighteenth Century Collections Online II (ECCO II)*, submitted by Jeff Loveland.



### Direct Research Cost

Direct Research Costs budget line was allocated \$26,000 for 2009-10, but only \$9,916.44 was awarded for the year. The Research Support committee received and reviewed two requests for direct research costs, one from Anthropology and one from Economics. The one from Economics was denied due to a lack of budget information. The one from Anthropology was funded. This project consists in survey and excavation data from the Upper Basin, located just south of Grand Canyon National Park in northern Arizona, in order to assess the accuracy of a satellite-based direct predictive model.

### Research Collaboration

During the 2009-10 academic year, no applications were received for Research Collaboration. The total budgeted amount of \$11,000 will be held in reserve to supplement the 2010-11 Taft Budget, which will dramatically decrease due to the economic recession.

### Taft Research Seminars

During the 2009-10 rounds of deadlines, three applications for Taft Research Seminars were submitted from faculty members in Anthropology, Political Science, and Romance Languages and Literatures. All were fully funded for a total of \$56,000.00.

In 2010-11, the Department of Mathematical Sciences will host a seminar in harmonic analysis, also known as Fourier analysis. This seminar, titled *The Bellman Function Method in Harmonic Analysis* will be organized by Professor Leonid Slavin. Professor Joel Wolfe in the Department of Political Science will host a Taft Research Seminar entitled *State Power and Political Economy: History and Potential of Authoritarian Rule*. Professor Armando Romero in Romance Languages and Literatures will organize a Taft Research Seminar entitled *Spanish American Poetry and Creative Writing*.

### **Summary**

The restructured research support categories of Collections, Direct Research Support, and Research Collaboration received positive feedback from faculty and reviewers. The separation of these guidelines has produced a more rationalized system. Overall, the Research Support funds were underutilized for the 2009-10 academic year with only \$176,656 awarded

from the total budgeted amount of \$331,000. \$126,158 of the \$331,000 budgeted for Research Support was transferred to Faculty Travel and Student Awards to augment awards made by those committees. The remaining \$28,186 will be held in reserve to supplement the 2010-11 budget.

*Nota Bene:* Both the 2010-11 and the upcoming 2011-12 Annual Budget Proposals were significantly reduced as a consequence of the 2008 economic recessions and resultant reductions in the interest income in the Charles Phelps Taft Memorial Endowment Fund.

### **B. Conferences & Lectures (7% of the Fund)**

The committee consisted of Maria Paz Moreno (Romance Languages and Literatures), who chaired the committee; Deb Meem (English and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies); Jeffrey Mills (Economics); Ken Tankersley (Anthropology); and Dan Ralescu (Mathematics).

The Conference and Lectures committee oversees two programs: support for conferences to be held at UC, as well as lectures beyond those allocated to departments. Proposals must be competitive for funding. What follows are the details regarding proposals funded.

### Lectures

The committee funded partially or fully a total of eighteen proposals in the category of Competitive Lectures for a total of \$29,919. The additional \$10,919 needed beyond our budget of \$19,000 was authorized as a budget supplement by the Taft Faculty Chair. The lectures approved by Taft for funding included talks by many prominent scholars on a wide array of topics. Among these was renowned author David Quammen, who spoke on "Charles Darwin Against Himself: Caution vs. Honesty in the Life of a Reluctant Revolutionary." Quammen is a well-known author; a contributing writer to *National Geographic*, he has received numerous awards for his work, including the National Magazine Award for essays in 2005. Mr. Quammen's talk was part of UC's Darwin Sesquicentennial Celebration. Other authors included Professor Daniel Lord Smail from Harvard University, who spoke about "Making History Deep and Interdisciplinary"; Professor Christopher Shields from the University of Oxford; Professor William Chase, who spoke on "Stalinism in a Spanish Key: Moscow, Madrid, Mexico City"; Professor Manju

Jaidka, a leading Indian scholar from Panjab University; and filmmaker Safina Alberoi, who presented a screening of her award-winning film *My Mother, India*.

#### *Conferences*

The committee approved three proposals in the category of Conferences for a total of \$24,574. The Taft Faculty Chair authorized a budget supplement of \$4,574 beyond our budget of \$20,000, in order to fund all deserving proposals.

The conferences supported by Taft included "Thought and Language," organized by the Department of Philosophy. This conference brought together a number of scholars from different universities to discuss the role of language in cognition. The conference received \$6,574 from the Taft Research Center.

The "International Professional Communication Conference" (IPCC) is a major event and the committee was happy to support it. The IPCC's conference is dedicated to promoting effective communication in engineering, scientific and other technical environments. It was sponsored by the Department of English. The IPCC received \$10,000 from the Taft Research Center.

Lastly, the conference "Naturalism and the Nature of Philosophy," also organized by the Department of Philosophy, will bring together a number of distinguished speakers to examine and articulate the ideas of philosophical naturalism, which considers philosophy as part of the natural sciences. This conference will take place October 2010 and has received \$8,000 of Taft Conference support.

#### *Summary*

The request for conference support and competitive lectures is typically highly competitive and remained so in 2009-10. Due to under-expenditures in Research Support, the Conferences and Lectures committee was able to award funds exceeding the budgeted amounts for these categories in 2009-10.

#### **IV. The 2009-10 Taft Annual Symposium**

Celebrating the intellectual synergy and cross-disciplinary collaborations promoted by the Taft Research Center, the Taft Annual Symposium also foregrounds the year-long accomplishments by Taft fellows during their fellowship year and fosters dialogue among faculty and students in the Taft departments.

Beginning on Thursday, May 13, and concluding on Saturday, May 15, the 2009-10 Taft Annual Symposium featured a reading and talk on poetics by keynote speaker, distinguished poet Li-Young Lee, as well as research presentations by the 2009-10 Taft Center Fellows, and the 2009-10 Taft Dissertation Fellows.



*Li-Young Lee* is the author of four critically acclaimed books of poetry including his most recent, *Behind My Eyes* (Norton, 2008). Earlier volumes include *Book of My Nights* (BOA, 2001); *Rose* (BOA, 1986), which won the Delmore Schwartz Memorial Award; *The City in Which I Love You* (BOA, 1991), which earned the 1990 Lamont Poetry Selection; and a memoir entitled *The Winged Seed: A Remembrance* (Simon and Schuster, 1995), which received an American Book Award from the Before Columbus Foundation. Lee's honors include fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Lannan Foundation and the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, as well as grants from the Illinois Arts Council, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts. In 1988 he received the Writer's Award from the Mrs. Giles Whiting Foundation. He is also featured in Katja Esson's documentary, *Poetry of Resilience*.

Born in 1957 of Chinese parents in Jakarta, Indonesia, Lee learned early about loss and exile. His great-grandfather was China's first republican president; his father, a deeply religious Christian, was the physician of Communist leader Mao Tse- Tung. After the establishment of the People's Republic of China in 1949, Lee's parents escaped to Indonesia. In 1959 his father, after spending a year as a political prisoner in President Sukarno's jails, fled Indonesia with his family to escape anti-Chinese sentiment. After a five-year trek through Hong Kong, Macau and Japan, they settled in the United States in 1964. Lee lives in Chicago with his wife Donna and their two sons.

*Poetry Reading and Lecture on Poetics by Li-Young Lee co-sponsored by the Taft Research Center, the George Elliston Poetry Foundation, the UC Office of Student Affairs, and the UC Diversity Council.*



**Tamar Heller** (English), "A Plot of Her Own: Rhoda Broughton and English Fiction"

**2009-10 Center Fellows Presentations**



**Laura Jenkins** (Political Science), "A Lost Tribe? Religion, Nation, and Migration from India to Israel"



**Leah Stewart** (English), "A Reading from *Lucy's War*"



**Jintai Ding** (Mathematical Sciences), "Post-quantum Cryptography: Multivariate Public Key Cryptography"



**Christopher Phillips** (History), "Lincoln's Grasp of War: Neutrality, Conciliation, and the Border State Dilemma, 1861-62"

**2009-10 Dissertation Fellows Presentations**

**Erica Dawson** (English), "Inwardness, Authorship, and Cottontail"

**Julianne Lynch** (English), "A Reading from *Mother, Mother*"



**Rafael Garcia** (Romance Languages and Literatures), "Fray Luis de Granada and the Religious Interpretative Communities in the Spanish Sixteenth Century"

**Michael Ennis** (German Studies), Virtual Presentation: "The *M/S Wilhelm Gustloff* in German Memory Culture"



**Michael Hutchins** (German Studies), Virtual Presentation: "Kant and Television—They Obviously Don't Go Together: Reflections on an Unpublished Screenplay in W.G. Sebald's Literary Estate"

**Clement Loo** (Philosophy), "The Concept of Ecosystem Health within Ecology and Environmental Ethics"



**Evan Hart** (History), "The Conspiracy of Silence is Killing Us': Byllye Avery and the Founding of the National Black Women's Health Project"

**John Callaghan** (Political Science), "Slavery and Major Power Warfare: Similar Paths to Obsolescence?"

**Ying Ma** (Sociology), "Ethnic Language Maintenance among Second-generation Immigrant Children at Their School Age"

**Ivonne Rivas** (Mathematical Sciences), "Mathematical Models of Water Waves"

**Daniel Cabarcas** (Mathematical Sciences), "New Trends in Polynomial Solving and Applications to Cryptography"

**Yan Sun** (Mathematical Sciences), "Regularization for Long-order Autoregressive Processes and Its Applications"

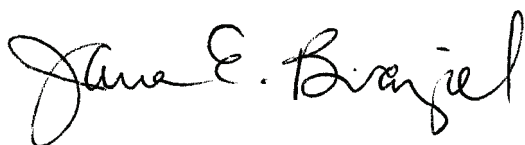


## V. Cash Reserve and Contingency Fund

Given the announced and anticipated 2010-11 Taft Budget decreases, the Taft Executive Board voted in spring 2009 to hold \$250,000 in cash reserve. The 2009-10 Planning Committee prepared, per the explicit request of the Taft Trustees, a 2010-11 Taft Budget in the amount of \$1,125,500, which will be supplemented by excess funds in the amount of \$84,888 from the Contingency Fund.

During 2009-10, the Taft Executive Board voted to earmark \$20,000 for the 2010-11 review (internal and external) of the Taft Research Center.

Yours in gratitude,



Jana Evans Braziel, *Faculty Chair*

*The Charles Phelps Taft Memorial Endowment Fund and  
the Taft Research Center*



## *Upcoming for 2010-11: Internal and External Review of the Taft Research Center*

At the March 1, 2010 Taft Executive Board meeting, the Taft Executive Board voted to approve an internal and external review of the Taft Research Center and its award programs, governance structure, and faculty chair leadership. Toward this end, the Taft staff is preparing a Self-Study, which we will publish and circulate by September 15, 2010.

Following a preliminary meeting in mid-May 2010, the internal review committee will hold several meetings in fall 2010, undertake the internal review during fall quarter, and submit an internal review report before January 1, 2011. For the sake of objectivity and perspective, we have invited one non-Taft faculty member from the McMicken College of Arts and Sciences on the internal review committee. The internal review committee includes Willard Sunderland (History), who chairs the committee; Katharina Gerstenberger (German Studies); Bob Richardson (Philosophy); Steve Mockabee (Political Science); Joanna Mitro (Mathematics); and Bruce Ault (Chemistry).

The external review committee (composed of Professor Gerald Early, Director of the Humanities Center at Washington University; Professor Victor Bailey, Director of the Hall Center at the University of Kansas; and Chris McCord, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Northern Illinois University) will review the Self-Study and the Internal Review Report in winter 2011 and will be on campus during spring 2011 for the on-site visit.

The findings of all three reports will be presented in the 2010-11 Taft Annual Report.

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**2009-10 ANNUAL REPORT  
THE CHARLES PHELPS TAFT RESEARCH CENTER AND MEMORIAL FUND**

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Members of the 2009-10 Taft Award Committees

**TAFT MEMORIAL FUND 2009-10 Budget**

	<b>08-9 Budget</b>	<b>09-10 Budget</b>	<b>09-10 Awards</b>
<b><u>Conferences &amp; Lectures</u></b>			
Lecture Hosting			
Lecture Publicity			
Departmental Allocation	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	31,794
Competitive Lectures	\$ 19,000	\$ 19,000	29,069
Conferences	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	24,547
Annual Symposium	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	8,908
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 89,000</b>	<b>\$ 89,000</b>	<b>94,318</b>
<b><u>Faculty Travel Awards</u></b>			
Travel for Research	\$25,000	\$ 25,000	30,687
International Conf	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	41,572
Domestic Conf	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	22,241
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>	<b>94,501</b>
<b><u>Faculty Fellowship Awards</u></b>			
Summer Research Fellowships	\$96,000	\$ 96,000	88,000
Faculty Release Fellowships	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	30,000
Summer research supplements	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	2,350
FRF research supplements	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	3,850
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$136,000</b>	<b>\$ 136,000</b>	<b>124,200</b>
<b><u>Center Fellows Award</u></b>			
Center Fellows	\$ 109,050	\$ 109,050	108,263
<b><u>Major Awards</u></b>			
Taft Professors	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	20,000
<b><u>Publications</u></b>			
Subventions	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	9,153
Taft House Library Binding	\$ 250	\$ 250	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,250</b>	<b>\$ 10,250</b>	<b>9,153</b>
<b><u>Research Support</u></b>			
Departmental Allocated	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	50,000
Direct Research Cost	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	7,396
Collaboration	\$ 50,000	\$ 11,000	-
Collections	\$ 11,000	\$ 50,000	68,875
Cost Sharing	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	29,900
Taft Research Seminars	\$ 145,000	\$ 145,000	128,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 331,000</b>	<b>\$ 331,000</b>	<b>284,171</b>
<b><u>Student Awards</u></b>			
Advanced Departmental Fellowships	\$ 213,000	\$ 213,000	202,267
Summer Support		\$ -	
Advanced Competitive		\$ -	
Graduate Enhancement Fellowships	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000	125,100
Graduate Student Travel	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	15,699
Graduate Enrichment	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	35,493
Grad Fellows Colloquium	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	519
Taft Center Grad Fellowship	\$ 13,500	\$ 13,500	13,500
Taft Center Grad Assistantship	\$ 12,500	\$ 12,500	19,374
Undergraduate Enrichment Awards	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	13,722
Undergraduate Research Fellow	\$35,000	\$ 35,000	31,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$469,000</b>	<b>\$ 469,000</b>	<b>457,174</b>
<b><u>Miscellaneous</u></b>			
Staff Compensation *	\$ 19,868	\$ 19,868	19,606
Fringe Benefits for Staff (45.5%)	\$ 9,834	\$ 9,834	9,019
Chair's Contingency	\$ 362	\$ 362	3,031
Supplies/Office	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	9,098
Lecture Hosting	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	4,065
Lecture Publicity	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	1,366
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 38,064</b>	<b>\$ 38,064</b>	<b>46,185</b>
<b>Total Allocated</b>	<b>\$ 1,302,364</b>	<b>\$ 1,302,364</b>	<b>1,237,965</b>



**DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIPS  
2010-2011**

**English and Comparative Literature**

David James Poissant

*Lizard Man*

Catherine Wilkinson

*Scenes from the Green Room***German Studies**

Joshua Arnold

*68's Long Shadow: Coming to Terms with Protest and Terrorism since Reunification*

Alexandra Hagen

*The Rhetoric of Ruin: German Literature, Film, and Culture after September 1***History**

Charlie Lester

*Bound No'th Blues: New Orleans, Chicago, New York, the First Great Migration, and Jazz, 1900-1930***Mathematical Sciences**

Andoniaina Rarivoarimanana

*Approximation of Generalized Binomial Distributions*

Xiaopei Wang

*Mixed Membership Stochastic Block Model for Adverse Event Detection***Philosophy**

Daniel Hartner

*Methodological Naturalism and the Moral Problem***Political Science**

Nate Ramsey

*The Status Quo, Patriotism, and Public Opinion on "Culture War" Issues: A Hierarchical Model of Attitude Structures*

Tiest Sondaal

*How Does Globalization Affect Local Institutions: Sport and Globalization?***Romance Languages and Literatures**

Estela Alvarado

*The Colonial Literary Fields and the Field of Power in the Viceroyalty of Peru. The Writing of Juan Valle y Caviedes*

Matthew Fehskens

*Transatlantic Study of Hispanic Modernism at the Turn of the 20th Century*

Iliana Rosales-Figueroa

*Rebellious Narratives; Political Resistance in Four Caribbean Novels***Sociology**

Aaron J. Howell

*All in the Family: Racial Segregation and Residential Choice*

**GRADUATE STUDENT TRAVEL AWARDS  
2009-2010**

**English and Comparative Literature**

David James Poissant Denver, CO. \$ 500  
*Lizard Man*

Katharine Polak Denver, CO \$500  
*Very Superstitious: Manufacturing Belief and Intimacy*

George Potter Cleveland, OH \$451  
*International Politics and Local Resistance: Adapting Foreign Violence at the Egyptian Stage*

Hannah Rule Louisville, KY \$281  
*Teaching Performance: Embodiment and Risk in Multimodal Composing*

Kathryn Trauth Taylor Louisville, KY \$225  
*Oh Listener, My Listener: Students Speak Through Radio Podcasting and the Ease and Power of Windows Movie Maker*

William Welty New Orleans, LA \$400  
*Language, Religion, and Diaspora in Flannery O'Connor's The Displaced Person*

**German Studies**

Michael J. Ennis Nottingham, England \$500  
*Victims and Perpetrators in Frank Wysbar's Nact fiel uber Gotenhafen*

Alexandra Hagen St. Andrews, Scotland \$500  
*Mediating the Message: The Visual Construct of Terror in Contemporary German Literature after 9/11*

**Mathematical Sciences**

Xiangxiang Meng Seattle, WA \$500  
*Creating High Quality Scatter Plots: An Old Story Told by the New SGSCATTER Procedure*

Yan Sun Milan, Italy \$500  
*A Sparse Loading Full-Factor Multivariate GARCH Model*

**Philosophy**

Francis Cartieri Tilburg, Netherlands \$500  
*Extending the Philosophy of Science: Forecasting and Science Policy*

**Political Science**

Jessica Johnson Chicago, IL \$309  
*Race and the Influence of Religious Elites on American Voting Behavior*

Chad Kinsella Washington, DC \$500  
*Contextual Theory and the Voting Behavior*

Rafael Ranieri New Orleans, LA \$209  
*Deficient Regionalism: Why Hasn't Mercosur Actualized Regional Integration in the Southern Cone?*

Jacob Wilson Chicago, IL \$273  
*Tempering Fears over Pakistan's Nuclear Weapons Security*

Hasan Yalcin	Chicago, IL	\$500
<i>Retreating from the Nuclear Path: Prudential Realism &amp; Nuclear Forbearance</i>		
<b>Romance Languages &amp; Literatures</b>		
Paula Grazia Garrido	Veracruz, Mexico	\$500
<i>Lo fantástico como subversión en la construcción del sujeto femenino en "Eso no es todo" de Angélica Gorodischer</i>		
Manuel Iris	Tuxia Gutierrez, Chiapas, Mexico	\$500
<i>Cuaderno de los sueños/Notebook of Dreams</i>		
Irene Ivantcheva-Merjanska	Berlin, Germany	\$500
<i>The Concept of Freedom, Psychoanalysis and the Novel: <u>Pathways to European Identity</u></i>		
<b>Sociology</b>		
Aaron Howell	San Francisco, CA	\$297
<i>Changes in the Distribution of Urban-Suburban Poverty in U.S. Metropolitan Areas, 1970-2000</i>		
Elizabeth Sweeny	San Francisco, CA	\$297
<i>Defining Reality: How Biomedical Researchers Determine the Existence of Pain</i>		

**GRADUATE STUDENT ENRICHMENT AWARDS  
2009-2010**

**Anthropology**

Matthew L. Maroon Karonga District, Malawi, Africa \$2,500  
*Understanding Medical Choice and Treatment-Seeking Behavior in the Northern Region of Malawi*

Karen M. Ross UC \$225  
*Attitudes Towards Elderly Care and End-of-Life Decision Making Among Korean Americans in Cincinnati, OH*

**Economics**

Lawrence Emembolu Bergen, Norway \$2,500  
*Summer Graduate Program at the Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration*

Yinqiao Fan Bergen, Norway \$2,500  
*Natural Resource Management and Policy: the Norwegian Model*

Erich Voss Bergen, Norway \$2,500  
*Energy in the USA: The Energy Requirements of the United States and Means of Achieving them in the Current Era of Energy Innovation, Competition, and Climate Change*

**English and Comparative Literature**

Allison Carr Columbus, Ohio \$2,500  
*Digital Media and Composition*

Jessica Cornelson Alabama and Washington, DC \$2,500  
*Theorizing Sequential Art for Critical Theory*

James Pihakis Montreal, Canada \$2,500  
*Say What You Are: The Role of Voice in Constructions of Identity*

Ruth Williams Seoul, South Korea \$2,500  
*The Female Poet as Revolutionary Grotesque: Feminist Transgression in 20/21st Century Women's Poetry*

**German Studies**

Michael Joseph Ennis Europe \$693  
*The MS Wilhelm Gustloff in German Memory Culture: A Case Study on Competing Discourses*

**History**

Jessica Biddlestone France \$1,006  
*How Misrepresentation Fueled Anti-Colonial Activism: A Closer Look at the 1931 Exposition Internationale Coloniale*

Jordan T. Carroll New York, NY \$475  
*The Person Behind the Pathology: Historicizing Nijinsky within Belle Epoque Europe*

Zachary Stuart Garrison St Louis and Columbia, MO \$828  
*The Person Behind the Pathology: Historicizing Nijinsky within Belle Epoque Europe*

Evan E. Hart	Northampton, MA	\$925
<i>Guerrillas in the Midst: The National Black Women's Health Project (dissertation)</i>		
Madeline Hedges	Yale University New Haven, CT	\$650
<i>Jacobite: Finding Scottish and English Identities in 1745 Britain</i>		
Bobby Henson	London, England	\$2,200
<i>Whatever Happened to the Crimean War?: The Experience and Remembrance of the Crimean War by A London Civilian</i>		
Matthew E. Stanley	Indianapolis, Bloomington, and Evansville, IN	\$561
<i>Memories Bitter and Bittersweet: Evansville Indiana's 1887 GAR Reunion</i>		
<b>Mathematical Sciences</b>		
Zhuang Kang	Suzhou, China	\$822
<i>Study Abroad - Ph.D. Thesis Research in Financial Mathematics</i>		
Ivonne Rivas	Paris, France	\$2,500
<i>Analysis and Control of the Boussinesq Equation</i>		
<b>Political Science</b>		
Harita Patel	Madison, WI	\$2,500
<i>New States and their Political Parties: Modern State Creation in India and Political Party Involvement</i>		
<b>Romance Languages and Literatures</b>		
Isabel Gomez-Sobrino	Madrid and Cartagena, Spain	\$1,280
<i>Carmen Conde, Ernestina de Champourcin, Dulce Maria de Loynaz and Gabriela Mistral: Epistolary Discourse and Poetry</i>		

**GRADUATE STUDENT ENHANCEMENT FELLOWSHIPS  
2009-2010**

**Anthropology**

Meredith Coats	\$5,193
Angela Hood	\$5,193

**Economics**

Alex Boerger	\$1,500
Lea Brandel	\$1,500
Jennifer Brenner	\$1,500
Anna Comella	\$1,500
Yinqiao Fan	\$1,500
Kevin Haynes	\$4,250
Saurabh Niraula	\$1,500
David Yates	\$4,250

**English and Comparative Literature**

Sheri Allen	\$2,000
Allison Carr	\$2,000
Nicholas Chuha	\$2,000
Andrew Grace	\$2,000
Peter Grimes	\$2,000
Scott Hales	\$2,000
Matthew McBride	\$1,000
Leah McCormack	\$2,000
Soren Palmer	\$1,000
David J. Possant	\$2,000
Michael Rerick	\$1,000
Linda Torok	\$2,000
Dietrik Vanderhill	\$1,000
Ruth Williams	\$2,000

**German Studies**

Tobias Gruenthal	\$1,100
Alexandra Hagen	\$1,100
Graham Hentschel	\$1,100
Wesley Jackson	\$1,100
Emily Kettula	\$1,100

**History**

Ufuk Adak	\$11,000
Brandon Downing	\$11,000
Nicole M. Lyon	\$8,684

**Mathematical Sciences**

Daniel Cabarcas	\$4,000
Zhang Kang	\$5,000
Marcos Lopez	\$1,000
Mauricio Osorio	\$3,500
Ivonne Rivas	\$4,000

Yan Sun	\$4,000
Xiao Zhang	\$1,000
JongHyuk Byun	\$ 900
<b>Philosophy</b>	
Nina A. Atanosova	\$1,800
Dan Hartner	\$1,800
<b>Political Science</b>	
Ramin Ahmadov	\$1,500
Jennifer Dye	\$1,000
Jung-Min Hong	\$2,000
Roman Lajciak	\$667
Anil Pillai	\$2,100
Rafael Ranieri	\$1,500
Rike Rothenstein	\$1,500
Laurel Wei	\$1,500
Jason Wood	\$2,000
Hasan B. Yalcin	\$2,000
<b>Romance Languages &amp; Literatures</b>	
Manuel Iris	\$400
Nidia Herrera Ospina	\$2,222
Sandra Paola Cadena	\$2,000
Juan M. Cerpa	\$2,500
Maria Clemencia Sanchez	\$2,030
<b>Sociology</b>	
Kelly Chapman	\$1,525
Aaron Howell	\$1,525
Amanda Straight	\$1,525
Elizabeth Sweeney	\$1,525

**UNDERGRADUATE ENRICHMENT AWARDS  
2009-2010**

**Anthropology**

Kathleen Forste	Grand Canyon, Arizona	\$1,241
<i>Survey, GPS-Based Site Recording and GIS-Based Analysis of Archaeological Data</i>		

**German Studies**

Lauren Rogers	Berlin, Germany	\$2,000
<i>UC in Berlin: A Study Tour of Germany's New-Old Capital</i>		

**History**

Kelsey Bladh	Universite Stendhal, Grenoble, France	\$2,000
<i>Academic Programs International: Language and Cultural Studies</i>		

Alyssa McClanahan	Schlesinger Library, Harvard University	\$1,936
<i>The Legacy of Lamaze: The Second-Wave Feminists and Natural Childbirth</i>		

**Political Science**

William McIlwain	Meknes, Morocco	\$2,000
<i>Language, Culture and Society</i>		

Jessica M. Pauley	UN Headquarters in New York	\$1,214
<i>Practicum in Advocacy at the 2010 Commission on the Status of Women Meetings at the United Nations</i>		

Samantha Wade	Guatemala	\$1,130
<i>Come Fly with Me to Guatemala: Habitat for Humanity Service Learning Project</i>		

**Romance Languages & Literatures**

Naomi Fitter	Guatemala	\$1,100
<i>Guatemala Trip with Habitat for Humanity, Spring Break 2010</i>		

Brenda Gullette	Guatemala	\$1,100
<i>Habitat for Humanity</i>		

**Sociology**

Virginia Vega-Sifred	Hague, Netherlands	\$400
<i>World Model United Nations Conference</i>		



**UNDERGRADUATE SR. RESEARCH FELLOWS  
2009-2010**

**Anthropology**

Andras Nagy

*Human Migrations in the Ohio Valley, 1520 to 1830*

Advisor, Alan Sullivan

**Economics**

Kseniya Slynko

*Mergers Between State-owned and Private Firms: Design of Appropriate Policy*

Advisor, Professor Debashis Pal

**History**

Alyssa McClanahan

*The Legacy of the Lamaze Method in France and the United States*

Advisor, Professor Wendy Kline

**Mathematical Sciences**

Patrick Ten Eyck

*Time Series Analysis of Climate Change Data*

Advisor, Professor James Deddens

**Political Science**

Paul Erb

*An Inquiry of the United States' Political Use of International Courts*

Advisor, Professor Howard Tolley

**Sociology**

Virginia Vega-Siferd

*The Process of Hispanic Housing Attainment in Hamilton County*

Advisor, Professor Steve Carlton Ford

**FACULTY AWARDS  
2009-2010**

**HUMANITIES**

**ENGLISH AND COMPARATIVE LITERATURE (40 FACULTY) 23 GRANTS AWARDED FOR  
A TOTAL OF \$51,030**

**Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Beth Ash	San Francisco, CA	\$421
<i>Traversing the Fantasy: Slavoj Zizek Reads Henry James</i>		
Donald Bogen	Pasadena, CA	\$360
<i>Johannes Bobrowski and the Limits of Translation</i>		
Julia Carlson	Philadelphia, PA	\$194
<i>The Thesis and Ars of John Thelwall's Physiological Poetics</i>		
Jennifer Glaser	New York, NY	\$700
<i>Jewish Anti-Communists and American Racial Politics</i>		
William Godshalk	Chicago, IL	\$485
<i>Early Modern English Theatrical Rehearsal</i>		
Michael Griffith	Denver, CO	\$311
<i>Literary Fiction and a Sports Theme/Setting: Are They Compatible?</i>		
Trish Henley	Chicago, IL	\$400
<i>Common Justice and Common Women in Measure for Measure</i>		
Deborah Meem	Berkeley, CA	\$620
<i>Literary Lesbian Domesticity at the Fin de Siecle: From Within and Without</i>		
Laura Micciche	Louisville, KY	\$225
<i>Teachers Doing Multi-Modality</i>		
Kathryn Rentz	Portsmouth, VA	\$494
<i>Standing Up for Good Teaching: The Business Communication Academic as Activist</i>		
James Ridolfo	Louisville, KY	\$225
<i>The Ecological and Practitioner Approach to Studying Rhetorical Delivery</i>		
Michael Sheehy	Boston, MA	\$371
<i>Is Blogging Journalism? Analyzing the Blogosphere's Perspective</i>		
Jay Twomey	New Orleans, LA	\$424
<i>(1) Fictional Neo-Paulinisms: Rewritings of the Life of Paul (2) The Biblical Man in Black</i>		
<b>International Academic Meeting Travel Grant</b>		
Julia Carlson	Halifax, Nova Scotia	\$405
<i>Thewallian Emphasis</i>		

Julia Carlson	Vancouver, BC	\$1,840
<i>Wordsworth and Thelwall: Inmates of the Active Universe</i>		
Tamar Heller	University of London	\$1,340
<i>Rhoda Broughton's 'Not Wisely But Too Well'</i>		
Barbara Wenner	Vienna, Austria	\$2,061
<i>From Aphra Behn to Maria Falconbridge: Views of Eighteenth-Century West Africa</i>		
<b>Research Travel Grant</b>		
Jana Braziel	St. Johns, Antigua	\$2,114
<i>Entangled Gardens: Genesis, Environmentalism, and Political Economy in Caribbean Literatures</i>		
Trish Henley	London, UK	\$3,650
<i>Velvet Women Within: Representations of Prostitutes on the Early English Stage, 1590-1642</i>		
Jana Braziel	Port-au-Prince, Haiti	\$2,390
<i>Grand Rue Gallerie: Street Sculpture, Urban Environmentalism and New Ecologies of Haitian Art</i>		
<b>Center Fellowship</b>		
Gary Weissman		\$18,000
<i>The Author in the Well: Rewriting and Misreading Literature</i>		
<b>Faculty Release Fellowship</b>		
Stanley Corkin		\$6,000
<i>An Introduction to the Wire: Or, Why What happens in Baltimore Doesn't Stay in Baltimore</i>		
<b>Summer Release Fellowship</b>		
Laura Micciche		\$8,000
<i>What WPAs Can Learn from Hypermiling: Agency Reconfigured</i>		
<b>GERMAN STUDIES (5 FACULTY) 4 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$1,237</b>		
<b>Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant</b>		
Noriko Fujioka-Ito	Philadelphia, PA	\$396
<i>Support for Developing Autonomous Learning Abilities and Roles of Self-evaluation</i>		
Katharina Gerstenberger	Washington, DC	\$305
<i>East Germany as a Site of Memory for United Germany</i>		
Richard Erich Schade	Oakland, CA	\$474
<i>Grass's Autobiographical Alterswerk</i>		
<b>International Academic Meeting Travel Grant</b>		
Katharina Gerstenberger	Warsaw, Poland	\$ 62
<i>A Catastrophe in Small Caps: Josef Haslinger's Tsunami Report</i>		

**HISTORY (23 FACULTY) 16 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$57,041****Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Isaac Campos- Costero San Diego, CA \$425  
*Cannabis, Commodity Chains, and the Origins of the War on Drugs in North America*

Wendy Kline Fairfax, VA \$605  
*Choices in Childbirth: A Modern Midwife's Tale*

Man Bun Kwan Berkeley, CA \$263  
*Salt in the War of Resistance*

Maura O'Connor San Diego, CA \$412  
*Risk and the 'Stock-Jobbing Globe': British Investment in California and South Africa*

Mark Raider New York, NY \$700  
*Between Exceptionalism and Choseness: America and Zion in the Worldviews of Hayim Greenberg and Ste*

Hilda Smith Pittsburgh, PA \$421  
*Women Petitions? Women Citizens: Women and the Court of Aldermen*

**International Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Hilda Smith Prato, Italy \$2,616  
*'Plain Sheep's Skin' and 'Bedaubed with Diamonds' Mary Wortley Montagu on Central and East Europe*

Willard Sunderland Passau, Germany \$1,398  
*The Mysteries of Ermak: A Russian Colonization Story in Global Perspective*

Joseph Takougang Accra, Ghana \$2,100  
*Making In-roads: African Immigrant Business*

**Research Travel Grant**

SigrunHaude Munich and Nuremberg, Germany \$3,700  
*Surviving War, 1618-1648*

Hilda Smith London, UK \$3,700  
*'Freewoman of this City' Women's Petitions to the Court of Alderman, London, 1660-1720*

**Center Fellowship**

Isaac Campos Costeo \$18,000  
*Drugs, Justice, and Subaltern Mexico City, 1934-1940*

**Faculty Release Fellowship**

Martin Francis \$6,000  
*Britain and the Desert War, 1940-1943: A Cultural History*

**Summer Research Fellowship**

David Ciarlo \$ 8,000  
*Selling War: Consumerism, Militarized Whiteness, and the Roots of Fascism in German Visual Culture*

Sylvia Sellers *Garcia* \$8,000  
*Distant Guatemala: Reading Documents from the Periphery*

**PHILOSOPHY (12 FACULTY) 7 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$39,896**

**Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Thomas Polger Chicago, IL \$370  
*Distributed Computation and Extended Cognition*

**International Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Christopher Gauker St. Andrews, Scotland \$1,953  
*Validity Without Reference*

John Martin Corte, Corsica \$2,500  
*Subalternation as Causation*

Thomas Polger Kazimierz Dolny, Poland \$1,073  
*Realization and Mechanism*

**Center Fellowship**

John Martin \$18,000  
*The Semantics of the Port Royal Logic*

**Summer Research Fellowship**

Vanessa Carbonell \$8,000  
*Moral Recommendations*

Christopher Gauker \$8,000  
*Completion of Words and Pictures: An Essay on the Origin of Ideas*

**ROMANCE LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES (12 FACULTY) 12 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$37,817**

**Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Fenfang Hwu Denver, CO \$330  
*Aptitude-Treatment Interaction Effects on the Learning of Grammar Rules: A Latent Growth Curve Analysis*

Patricia Valladares-Ruiz San Juan, Puerto Rico and Lawrence, KS \$700  
*Reescrituras de la esclavitud en la novela cubana contemporánea (San Juan, PR) and Parodias nacionales: La renuncia del héroe Baltasar como novela anti-fundacional (Lawrence, KS)*

Fenfang Hwu Lansing Michigan State University \$380  
*Effects of Foreign Language Aptitude and Instructional Conditions on the Learning of Grammar Rules*

Maria Moreno San Antonio, TX \$391  
*Eggless Omelets, Fried Sunflowers and Lots of Sardines: Cookbooks from the Spanish Civil War*

Michele Vialet Tuscon, AZ \$676  
*Infanticide in Malika Mokeddem's Je dois tout à ton oubli*

**International Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Patricia Valladares-Ruiz	Montreal, Canada	\$979
<i>Propuestas Ideoestéticas Del Nuevo Cine Venezolano</i>		
Therese Migraine George	Montreal, Canada	\$1,147
<i>Writing of Desire in Nina Bouraoui's <u>Garçon manqué</u></i>		
Patricia Oconnor	Dublin, Ireland	\$1,914
<i>Between The Silence of Submission and the Challenge of Authenticity: Theatrical Censorship in Franco</i>		
<b>Center Fellowship</b>		
Therese Migraine George		\$18,000
<i>(Post) Francophone Writers and the Creatinon of a New World Literature in French</i>		
<b>Faculty Release Fellowship</b>		
Jeff Loveland		\$6,000
<i>The Printed Encyclopedia in Europe, 1550-1985</i>		
Maria Paz Moreno		\$6,000
<i>El vientre de las iguanoas (The Belly of the Iguanas)</i>		
<b>Faculty Release Fellowship Research Supplement</b>		
Maria Paz Moreno		\$1,300
<i>El vientre de las iguanoas (The Belly of the Iguanas)</i>		

**SOCIAL SCIENCES****ANTHROPOLOGY (9 FACULTY) – 9 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$24,335****Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Jeremy Koster	Philadelphia, PA	\$606
<i>A Social Network Analysis of Food Distribution and Cooperation Among the Mayangna and Miskito of Nicaragua</i>		
Katherine Whitcome	Boston, MA	\$406
<i>Obstetric Load: Evolutionary Implications for Lumbar Lordosis and Sagittal Alignment</i>		
Sarah Jackson	St. Louis, MO	\$490
<i>Second Thoughts about Secondary Centers: A Classic Maya Case Study from Say Kah, Belize</i>		
<b>International Academic Meeting Travel Grant</b>		
Leila Rodriguez-Soto	Marrakech, Morocco	\$2,700
<i>Gender and Household Effects on Employment Transitions among Nicaraguan Immigrants in the U.S.</i>		
<b>Research Travel Grant</b>		
Sarah Jackson	Dumbarton Oaks, Washington, DC	\$1,383
<i>Continuity and Change in Early Colonial Maya Community Governance: A Lexical Perspective</i>		
Jeremy Koster	University of California-Davis	\$1,800
<i>Multi-Level Modeling Analysis of Behavioral Observation Data</i>		

**Summer Research Fellowship**

Leila Rodriguez-Soto \$8,000  
*Accumulation, Inequality and Migration in Two Central American Towns*

Katherine Whitcome \$8,000  
*Infant Carrying in Malagasy Sifakas: A Comparative Model for Understanding Locomotor Transitions in Human Revolution*

**Summer Reserch Fellowship Research Supplement**

Katherine Whitcome \$ 950  
*Infant Carrying in Malagasy Sifakas: A Comparative Model for Understanding Locomotor Transitions in*

**ECONOMICS (13 FACULTY) 6 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$13,833****Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

David Brasington San Francisco, CA \$637  
*Estimating the House Price Impacts of Racial, Income, Education, and Age Neighborhood Spatial Concentration*

Olivier Parent San Francisco, CA \$663  
*Spatial Dynamic Panel Data Models With Random Effects*

Nese Sara Evanston, IL \$445  
*Bilateral Trade Liberalization Between Asymmetric Countries*

**International Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Nese Sara Vienna, Austria \$1,388  
*Bilateral Trade Agreements Between Asymmetric Countries*

**Research Travel Grant**

Debashis Pal Kolkata, India \$2,700  
*Impacts of Government Interventions in the United States Banking Sector*

**Summer Research Fellowship**

Nese Sara \$8,000  
*Non-discrimination at the WTO: Implications for Quality Choice and Welfare*

**POLITICAL SCIENCE (10 FACULTY) 6 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$28,020****Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Beth Honadle St. Louis, MO \$519  
*Studio Teaching and Interdisciplinary Education: Reflections on Experience*

Stephen Mockabee Chicago, IL \$301  
*Evaluating On-Line Poll Worker Training: Evidence from the 2008 Elections*

**Research Travel Grant**

Dinshaw Mistry India, U.S., Europe \$3,200  
*The Nuclear Agreement with India*

**Center Fellowship**  
George Bishop \$18,000  
*The Irrational Public*

**Faculty Release Fellowship**  
Thomas Moore \$6,000  
*Cooperating to Compete: Chinese Grand Strategy and Regional Order in East Asia*

**SOCIOLOGY (10 FACULTY) 10 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$23,983**

**Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant**  
Littisha Bates Atlanta, GA \$485  
*Minority Parents and Home Involvement: A Look at the Affect of School Characteristics on Home Litera*

Erynn Casanova Boston, MA \$430  
*Ethnographic Border Crossings: Translating Latin American Lives*

Annulla Linders Boston, MA \$298  
*Race, Gender and Representation: Constructing Black and White Executions in the South*

Annulla Linders Atlanta, GA \$373  
*How Race, Class And Gender Can Help Us Understand The Transformation Of Executions*

Jennifer Malat Chicago, IL \$375  
*Key Political Events in the 2008 Presidential Election, Race/Ethnicity, & Changes in Health*

Jennifer Malat Atlanta, GA \$325  
*County-Level Unemployment Change and Self-Rated Health*

David Maume Atlanta, GA \$635  
*Gender, Nonstandard work Schedules, and Marital Quality*

Jeffrey Timberlake Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY \$361  
*Effects of Ecological Distance on Patterns of Minority Suburbanization in U.S. Metropolitan Areas*

**International Travel Grant**  
David Maume Gothenberg, Sweden \$2,700  
*Gender, the Work-Family Nexus and Sleep Quality Among Working-Class Dual-Earner Parents*

**Center Fellowship**  
Jennifer Malat \$18,000  
*Social Factors Affecting Health Care Experiences*

**SCIENCES**

**MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES (49 FACULTY) 21 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$48,440**

**Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant**  
Jintai Ding San Francisco, CA \$700



*Solving Multivariate Polynomial Equations over Finite Fields*

David Herron	Lexington, KY and Champaign, IL	\$201
<i>Catalogs for Bounded Turning Jordan Curves and The Nitsche Conjecture in the Non-Euclidean Setting</i>		
Timothy Hodges	San Francisco, CA	\$499
<i>Growth of ideals in Boolean Algebras</i>		
Victor Kaftal	San Francisco, CA	\$488
<i>Perturbations Of Finite Frames And Projections</i>		
Philip Korman	Richmond, VA	\$450
<i>Global Solution Curves for a Class of Elliptic Systems</i>		
Nageswari Shanmugalingam	Waco, TX	\$396
<i>Geometry of Planar BV extension Domains</i>		
Siva Sivaganesan	University of Texas, San Antonio	\$600
<i>A Bayesian Subgroup Analysis with Zero-inflated Polya Urn Scheme</i>		
<b>International Academic Meeting Travel Grant</b>		
Jintai Ding	Darmstadt, Germany	\$2,370
<i>Mutant Zhuang-Zi Algorithm</i>		
Timothy Hodges	Darmstadt, Germany	\$2,250
<i>Growth of Ideals in Boolean Algebras</i>		
Anthony Leung	Hong Kong	\$2,592
<i>Traveling Wave Solutions and Their Stabilities</i>		
Sookkyung Lim	Sydney, Australia	\$2,700
<i>Flagellar Behavior Of E. Coli By The Immersed Boundary Method</i>		
Shuang Zhang	Hebei, China	\$550
<i>Projections Decomposition In Certain Multiplier</i>		
Shuang Zhang	Beijing, China	\$1,695
<i>Projection Structure In Certain Multiplier Algebras</i>		
<b>Research Travel Grant</b>		
Herbert Dumas	Paris, France	\$3,700
<i>Filling Times For The Two-Torus, With Applications To Kinetic Theory</i>		
Bingyu Zhang	Paris, France	\$1,200
<i>Analysis and Control of Nonlinear Schroedinger Equation</i>		
Ning Zhong	Ecole Polytechnique Paris Tech and the Universidade de Lisboa	\$1,150
<i>Non-computability in Continuous Problems II</i>		

**Summer Research Fellowship**

Robert Buckingham	\$8,000
<i>New Universality Laws and Their Applications</i>	

Sookkyung Lim	\$8,000
<i>Mathematical Modeling Of Valveless Pumping</i>	

Seongho Song	\$8,000
<i>Hierarchical Bayesian Model for Estimating Migration Rate, Mutation Rate and Population Size in Micr</i>	

**Summer Research Fellowship Research Supplement**

Sookkyung Lim	\$1,400
<i>Mathematical Modeling Of Valveless Pumping</i>	

Seongho Song	\$1,500
<i>Hierarchical Bayesian Model for Estimating Migration Rate, Mutation Rate and Population Size in Micr</i>	

**RESEARCH SUPPORT  
2009-2010**

**Cost Sharing Award****Mathematical Sciences**

Wlodek Bryc \$15,000  
*Research on Classical and Non-Commutative Probability*

Magda Peligrad \$14,990  
*Modeling Dependence via Martingale Approximation and Limit Theorems*

**Direct Research Cost****Anthropology**

Alan Sullivan \$7,396  
*Resolving the Effects of Canopy-Cover Variation on the Detection of Archaeological Sites by Satellite Remote Sensing*

**Library Purchases****Romance Languages and Literatures**

Jeff Loveland \$68,875  
*Eighteenth-Century Collections Online*

**RESEARCH SEMINARS  
2010-2011**

**Anthropology**

Jeremy Koster

\$16,000

*Advances in the Method and Theory of Social Network Analysis*

Visiting Scholar; Dr. David Nolin, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**Political Science**

Joel Wolfe

\$16,000

*State Power and Political Economy: History and the Potential of Authoritarian Rule*

Visiting Scholar; Dr. David Baker, retired, Warwick University, UK

**Romance Languages and Literatures**

Armando Romero

\$16,000

*Latin American Poetry and Creative Writing*

Visiting Scholar; Dr. Aruturo Gutierrez, Universidad Simon Bolivar, Venezuela

**LECTURES  
2009-2010**

**Anthropology**

Steven Wernke, Vanderbilt University (November 9, 2009) \$1,361  
*Commonplace Archaeology at an Early Post-Conquest Doctrinal Settlement in the Peruvian Andes*

Matthew Restall, Penn State University (May 29, 2010) \$1,572  
*Are the Maya Really Afro-Maya? (The Lost History of Afro-Yucatan)*

**Economics**

Finn Erling Kydland, University of California (October 22, 2009) \$4,000  
*Policy Consistency and Economic Growth*

**German Studies**

Sabine Wilke, University of Washington (November 16, 2009) \$1,500  
*The Orchestration of Bavaria as a Hybrid Homeland: Werner Herzog's Heart of Glass*

Barbara Fischer, University of Alabama (February 25, 2010) \$2,000  
*A Jewish Fate in Dresden*

**History**

Michael Sherry, Northwestern University (February 24, February 25, 2010) \$3,000  
*Go Directly to Jail: The Punitive Turn Begins and Go Directly to Jail: The Punitive Term in our Time Explaining the Origins, and Subsequent History of the USA's 'Punitive Turn' in the late '20s*

**Mathematical Sciences**

Gaven J. Martin, Massey University, Albany, New Zealand (October 21, October 22, 2009) \$2,558  
*The Revolution in Modern Geometry & PDE's, Conformal Geometry and the Hilbert Smith Conjecture*

Donald Marshall, University of Washington (April 1, and April 2, 2010) \$2,000  
*Conformal Maps & Loewner and Welding and Zippers*

**Philosophy**

William Bechtel, University of California, San Diego (March 15, 2010) \$1,000  
*Dynamic Mechanics Explanations and Endogenously Active Brains*

Fred Dretske, Duke University (April 9, 2010) \$1,924  
*What We See: The Texture of Conscious Experience*

Kristin Andrews, York University (May 7, May 8, 2020) \$1,000  
*Nonverbal Narrators*

**Political Science**

David Moore, University of New Hampshire (March 4, 2010) \$2,000  
*How Public Policy Polls Undermine Democracy*

**Romance Languages and Literatures**

Hafid Gafaiti, Texas Tech University (May 7, 2010) \$2,000  
*The Return of the Text: Francophone North African Writers and the Question of Islam*

Sharon Keefe Ugalde, Texas State University (May 8, 2010) \$2,000  
*Ofelia entre el arte y la publicidad*

**Sociology**

Dalton Conley, New York University (May 21, 2010) \$3,000  
*Genes in the Ghetto, Chromosomes in the Kitchen: The Search for Genetic Environmental Interaction Effects*

**COMPETITIVE LECTURES  
2008-2009**

**Economics**

Eric Hillebrand, Louisiana State University (October 2, 2009) <i>Asymmetries, Breaks, and Long-Range Dependence</i>	\$750
Hiranya Nath, Sam Houston State University (November 13, 2009) <i>Sectoral Price Changes and Output Growth: Supply and Demand in General Equilibrium</i>	\$750
Arup Bose, Indian Statistical Institute, Calcutta, India (Fall 2010) <i>Simple Contracts in the Presence of Moral Hazard</i>	\$2,750
Kenneth Fjell, Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration, Norway (Spring 2011) <i>The Economics of Social Networks</i>	\$1,650

**English and Comparative Literature**

David Quammen, Montana State University (November 23, 2009) <i>Charles Darwin Against Himself: Caution vs. Honesty in the Life of a Reluctant Revolutionary</i>	\$2,000
Kwakiutl Dreher, University of Nebraska (April 7, 2010) <i>Hangin' Out with my Celebrity Sistahs</i>	\$2,847
Manju Jaidka, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India (April 23, 2010) <i>Deepa Mehta - Women's Issues from National to Transnational</i>	\$767
Safina Aberoi, Macquarie University, New South Wales, Australia (May 21, 2010) <i>Screening of her film, My Mother, India</i>	\$1,000

**German Studies**

Josef Joffe, Die Zmburg, Germany (November 9, 2009) <i>The Fall of the Wall and Europe's Future</i>	\$2,000
Hans Medick, Max-Planck Institute for History (April 12, 2010) <i>The Thirty Years' War as Experience and Memory. Contemporary Perceptions of a Marco-Historical Event</i>	\$1,250

**History**

Peter Holquist, University of Pennsylvania (October, 2010) <i>Crimes Against Humanity: The History of a Concept</i>	\$1,500
William Chase, University of Pittsburgh (April 1, 2010) <i>Stalinism in a Spanish Key: Moscow, Madrid, Mexico City</i>	\$1,450
Bogac Ergene, University of Vermont (April 22, 2010) <i>Why did Ummu Gulsum go to Court? Ottoman Legal Practice Between History and Anthropology</i>	\$1,150
Graydon Tunstall, University of South Florida (May 7, 2010) <i>The Forgotten Front, The First World War in the Carpathian Mountains</i>	\$965

Daniel Lord Smail, Harvard University (May 21, 2010) <i>Bridging the Abyss of Time: Making History 'Deep' and Interdisciplinary</i>	\$2,260
Paul Gootenberg, Stonybrook University (May 28, 2010) <i>The 'Pre-Colombian' Era of Drug Trafficking in the Americas"</i> Campos-Costero May 2010	\$1,627
<b>Philosophy</b>	
Christopher Shields, University of Oxford (April 7, 2010) <i>The Dialectic of Life</i>	\$1,150
Peter Carruthers, University of Maryland (May 7, 2010) <i>How Languages Enhances Cognition</i>	\$1,203
David Papineau, Kings College, London (October 21 – October 23, 2010) <i>Naturalism and the Nature of Philosophy</i>	\$3,500



**CONFERENCES**  
**2009-2010**

**English and Comparative Literature**

*International Professional Communication Conference 2011: The Annual Conference of IEEE* \$10,000

*Professional Communication Society*

Lisa Meloncon

October 16 – October 18, 2011

U.C.

**Philosophy**

*Thought and Language Philosophy*

\$6,574

Christopher Gauker

May 7 – May 8, 2010

U.C.

*Naturalism and the Nature of Philosophy*

\$8,000

Thomas Polger

October 21 – October 23, 2010

U.C.

**ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM  
2009-2010**

**May 13, 2010** – University of Cincinnati Research  
**Taft Center Fellows**

Laura Jenkins, Political Science, *A Lost Tribe? Religion, Nation, and Migration from India to Israel*

Jintai Ding, Mathematical Sciences, *Post-quantum Cryptography: Multivariate Public Key Cryptography*

Tamar Heller, English, *A Plot of Her Own: Rhoda Broughton and English Fiction*

Leah Stewart, English, *A Reading from Lucy's War*

Christopher Phillips, History,

**May 14, 2010** - Keynote Speaker

Li-Young Lee, *Reading and Lecture on Poetics*

Joseph Carroll, Curators' Professor in English at the University of Missouri-St. Louis

**May 15, 2010** - University of Cincinnati Research  
**Dissertation Fellows**

Erica Dawson, English, *Inwardness, Authorship, and Cottontail*

Julianne Lynch, English, *A Reading from Mother, Mother*

Clement Loo, Philosophy, *The Concept of Ecosystem Health within Ecology and Environmental Ethics*

Evan Hart, History, *The Conspiracy of Silence is Killing Us: Byllye Avery and the Founding of the National Black Women's Health Project*

John Callaghan, Political Science, *Slavery and Major Power Warfare: Similar Paths to Obsolescence?*

Ying Ma, Sociology, *Ethnic Language Maintenance among School-age Second-generation Immigrant Children*

Ivonne Rivas, Mathematical Sciences, *Mathematical Models of Water Waves*

Daniel Cabarcas, Mathematical Sciences, *New Trends in Polynomial Solving and Applications to Cryptography*

Yan Sun, Mathematical Sciences, *Regularization for Long-order Autoregressive Processes and Its Applications*

Rafael Garcia, Romance Languages, *Fray Luis de Granada and the Religious Interpretative Communities in the Spanish Sixteenth Century*

Michael Ennis, German Studies, Virtual Presentation: *The M/S Wilhelm Gustloff in German Memory Culture*

Michael Hutchins, German Studies, Virtual Presentation: *Kant and Television—They Obviously Don't Go Together: Reflections on an Unpublished Screenplay in W.G. Sebald's Literary Estate*

**PUBLICATIONS**  
**2009-2010**

**English and Comparative Literature**

Julia Carlson	Reproduction of Maps	\$280
<i>Topographical Measures: Wordsworth's and Crosthwaite's Lines on the Lake District</i>		

**History**

Steve Bowman	Reproduction of maps	\$370
<i>The Agony of the Greek Jew 1940-1945</i>		

Wendy Kline	Illustrations	\$335
<i>Bodies of Knowledge: Sexuality, Reproduction, and Women's Health in the Second Wave</i>		

Wendy Kline	Indexing Fees	\$665
<i>Bodies of Knowledge: Sexuality, Reproduction, and Women's Health in the Second Wave</i>		

Tom Sakmyster	Photos and Licenses	\$1,000
<i>Red Conspirator: J. Peters and the American Communist Movement</i>		

David Stradling	Graphics	\$803
<i>The Nature of New York: An Environmental History of the Empire State</i>		

**Philosophy**

John McEvoy	Indexing Fees	\$700
<i>Historiography of the Chemical Revolution: Patterns of Interpretation in the History of Science</i>		

**Political Science**

Richard Harknett	Publishing Costs	\$1,500
<i>The Cybersecurity Triad: Government, Private Sector Partners, and the Engaged Cybersecurity</i>		

Richard Harknett	Publishing Costs	\$1,500
<i>Deterrence Behind: Warfighting and National Cybersecurity</i>		

**Romance Languages & Literatures**

Jeff Loveland	Publishing Costs	\$2,000
<i>An Alternative Encyclopedia: Dennis de Coetlogon's Universal History of the Arts &amp; Sciences 1745</i>		

**BOARD APPROVED CONTINGENCY COMMITMENTS  
2010-2011**

Internal and External Review of the Taft Research Center	\$20,000
Fund Staff Salary (portion cut from Graduate School's Budget)	\$8,373
Increase for Newly Approved Taft Departments	\$28,500
Maintain Programming due to cut in Taft Budget	\$132,000

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2009-2010**

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Patricia Valladares-Ruiz	Romance Languages
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**STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS  
2009-2010**

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English and Comparative Literature  
Economics  
Political Science  
Sociology  
Philosophy  
English and Comparative Literature  
History

**Conferences/Lectures**

Maria Paz Moreno - Chair \*  
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Math  
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Economics  
Anthropology

**Faculty Fellowships**

Anna Linders– Chair \*  
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Sociology  
English and Comparative Literature  
History  
Anthropology  
German

**Faculty Travel**

Oliver Parent – Chair \*  
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Economics  
Sociology  
Anthropology  
Mathematical Sciences  
English and Comparative Literature

**Planning**

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English and Comparative Literature  
History  
German Studies  
Mathematical Sciences  
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**Publications**

Todd Herzog - Chair \*  
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German Studies  
English and Comparative Literature  
Mathematical Sciences

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Nicasio Urbina

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**Student Awards**

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Barbara Bardes

Tom Polger

Isaac Campos-Costero

Gary Weissman

Mathematical Sciences

Political Science

Philosophy

History

English Comparative Literature

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Frank Russell

3 from Faculty Fellows

3 from Student Awards

1 from Niehoff Board

English and Comparative Literature

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