Cosmos Scholars Grant Program 1998-2023

1998		
Name	Topic	Institution
Lisa Gilotty	Symbolic Play and Imitation in Children with Autism	George Washington University
David Goerlitz	Adaptive Evolution in Amphipods	American University
Amy Hall	Serious and Chronic Juvenile Offenders	George Washington University
Eric M. Hernandez	Sp3 Gene Transcription	Georgetown University
Joseph Hoffman	The Price of Flight: German Jews, Nazi Bureaucrats, and the Dynamics of the Ha'avara Agreement	George Washington University
Katharine G. Huang	Genesis and Evolution of Internet Service Providers in China	George Washington University
Nancy R. Kavanaugh	Acrylamide as a Neurotoxin	Catholic University
Giuseppina M. Kysar	Paleogene Magmatism in the Sierra Maestra	George Washington University
Paul A. Labedz	Changing Belief Systems and Changing Policies	George Washington University
Duncan McCourt	MAI Negotiations at the OECD	Georgetown University
Christine Nemacheck	Presidential Judicial Selection	George Washington University

1999		
Name	Topic	Institution
Melanie Ram	EU Requirements on Policies of the Czech Republic	George Washington University
Christine Nemacheck	The Politics of Appointment: Judicial Selection from Hoover to Reagan	George Washington University
Noreen O'Connor	Elizabeth van Arnim, The Vision of Women's Novels and The Great War	George Washington University
Dhanurjay Patil	The Calculation of Shadowing Trajectories in Partial Differential Equations	University of Maryland, College Park
John Riley	Reacting to Crises: Complex Interaction Between the News Media and US Foreign Policy-Makers	George Washington University
Glauco Souza	DNA Detection Using Angle- Dependent Light Scattering	George Washington University
Jennifer Strychasz	'Jesus is Black': Power, Faith, and History in African-American Church Imagery	University of Maryland, College Park
Heather Young	The Role of Common Triazine Herbicides in the Etiology of Ovarian Cancer in the Intensely Agricultural and Multi-Ethnic Population of the Central Valley of California	George Washington University

2001		
Name	Topic	Institution
Samantha Brugmann	The Role of XSIX1 in Cranial Neurogenic Placode Development	The George Washington University, Anatomy & Cell Biology
Michael R. Butkovich	Countering the Extremist Threat in the Former Soviet Union: A Comparative Study of Russia, Ukraine, and Belarus	Georgetown University, Center for Eurasian, Russian, and East European Studies
Esther W. Chege	New Enantioselective Catalysts from Chiral SCS Pincer Ligand Complexes	University of Maryland, College Park
Tesema Chekol	Plant-Soil-Contaminant Specificity Affects the Phytoremediation of Organic Contaminants in Soil	University of Maryland, College Park
Maria A. Day	Primitivism and the Decorative: The Omega Workshops in Modern Design History	University of Maryland, College Park
Meredith Hindley	Allied Relief to Nazi-Occupied Territories, 1939-1945	American University, History
Theodor V. Jordan	Notch Gene Deletions and Their In Vivo Effects on the Development of Drosophila melanogaster	George Mason University, Biology
Ivan Katchanovski	Politics of Scientists in the Former Soviet Union and the United States	George Mason University, School of Public Policy
Eran Patrick Klein	History of Medicine in the Irish School	Georgetown University, Philosophy
Laura Monti	A Comparison of the Genetic Consequences of Two Captive Breeding Strategies	University of Maryland, College Park
Jose Angel Sainz	Max Aub: Exilio e Identidad en la (re) Construccion de una Imagen de Espana	University of Maryland, College Park
Christopher Slogar	Surveying Nigerian Culture in London Museums and Archives	University of Maryland, College Park
Kyle Vick	Physiological Investigations of Sensitivity to the Angle of Light Incidence in the Ant Eye	University of Maryland, College Park
Rongwen Wu	Application of Monte Carlo Simulation to American-Style Options	University of Maryland, College Park

2002		
Name	Topic	Institution
Tammy L. Awtry	The Effect of Chronic Nicotine on 5-	George Washington University,
	HT3 Receptor Regulation of the	Department of Pharmacology
	Serotonin Transporter	[PhD]
Rajeshwari Chikramane	Study of Biodegradation of Pyrene by	George Mason University,
	Pseudomonas fluorescens strain 29L	Department of Biology
		(Environmental Science & Public
		Policy) [MS]

John L. Clark	Did Upside-Down Flowers Evolve Once or Multiple Times in the Neotropical Plant Genus Alloplectus (Gesneriaceae)?	George Washington University, Department of Biological Sciences [PhD]
Matthew J. Clavin	"Men of Color, to Arms!" The Contest Over the History and Memory of Toussaint Louverture and the Haitian Revolution During the American Civil War	American University, College of Arts & Sciences (History) [PhD]
Jennifer L. Dreier	Assessment of the Correlation of the Degradation of Bone and the Quality and Quantity of DNA Recovered	George Washington University, Department of Forensic Sciences [MS]
Alison M. Krogel	The Wandering Song: Quechua Oral Traditions in Peru and Beyond	University of Maryland, Department of Comparative Literature [PhD]
Tonya Mallozzi	Evaluating Isolates of Trichoderma virens for Their Potential Role in Biological Control Against Meloidogyne incognita	University of Maryland, Department of Natural Resources & Landscape Architecture [MS]
Robert M. Rutledge	Microarray Analysis of the Multiple Drug Resistance Gene PDR2	The Catholic University of America, Department of Biology [PhD]
Katie Schneider	Saving Our Bioindicators	American University, Department of Biology [MS]
Adam Charles Simon	In-situ Fluid Inclusion Analyses at the University of Maryland	University of Maryland, Department of Geology [PhD]
Carmel L. Smith	Risk Factors for Chytrid Fungus Infections in Arizona Native Ranid Frogs	University of Maryland, Department of Animal Science [MS]
David F. Soria Hernánz	Study of CpDNA Polymorphism in Corythophora rimosa	Georgetown University, Department of Biology [PhD]
Jeffrey C. Splitstoser	Analysis of the Early Paracas Textiles from Cerrillos in the Ica Valley,	The Catholic University of America, Department of Anthropology (Archaeology) [PhD]
Cheryl Vann	Whose Autobiography Is It Anyway in The Book of Margery Kempe?	George Washington University, Department of English [PhD]
Elena Vinogradova	Organizational Responses to State Failure	University of Maryland, Department of Sociology [PhD]
Felicitas B. Wiedemann	Investigating Habitat Seasonality in the Fertile Crescent During the Neolithic. 'Ain Ghazal as a Test Case	George Washington University, Department of Anthropology (Hominid Paleobiology [PhD]
Yinyin Zhao	MEMS-based Piezoelectric Microphone for Biomedical Applications	University of Maryland, Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering [PhD]

2003		
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Leslie A. Brice	Rezistans: History and Aesthetics of Power in Haitian Voodoo	University of Maryland, College Park
Lan Chu	Traditional Institutions and Modern Practices: the Roman Catholic Church and Political Liberalization	George Washington University
James C. Gilbert	Calais	Catholic University
Connie E. Jones	Fostering Democratic Institutions in Costa Rica : An Analysis of the Historical Roots and Current Role of Local Governance	George Washington University
Andrew Kania	A Minimalist Theory of Narration	University of Maryland, College Park
Charles Edward Kiamie, III	Borders and Identity Formation in the Arab World: The Case of Tunisia	Georgetown University
Jessica Lieberman	Embedding Civility: The Middle East and Global Advocacy Networks	George Washington University
Michael K. Newey	Harmonically Driven Band Formation in a Rotating Drum	University of Maryland, College Park
Todd F. Roberts	Neural Circuits Guiding Contextual Learning & Regulations of Attention	University of Maryland, College Park
Masahiro Toiya	Localized Vertical Perturbation of Granular Media	University of Maryland, College Park
Barbara L. Wolff	Potters and Prestige: Middle Horizon Craft Specialization at Conchopaia, Ayacucho, Peru	Catholic University

2004		
Name	Topic	Institution
Lanna A. Ali-Hassan	Will Global Warming Increase Marine	American University
	Diseases? A Test Using the Caribbean	
	Sea Fan Coral	
Sanem Argin	Bioconversion of Lactose into a Novel	University of Maryland, College
	Exopolysaccharide with Health	Park
	Benefits	
Jon Beadell	Disease Threat in Polynesian Avifauna	University of Maryland, College
		Park
Christopher J. Bright	"Under the Most Dire Circumstances:"	George Washington University
	Eisenhower and the Strategy and	
	Culture of Nuclear Weapons for	
	Continental Defense	
Justin M. Calabrese	Species Abundance in a Tropical Beetle	University of Maryland, College
	Community: Experimental Tests of	Park
	Neutral Theory	
Johanna Camara	Investigation of Abortive Replication in	Georgetown University
	E. coli Mutants	

Daniel Cook	Konrad Adenauer's Efforts to Block a Non-Aggression Pact in 1963	George Washington University
Sarah Starnes Delinger	The Lords of Amboise: The Dynamics of Kinship, Fidelity, and Power in the Touraine c. 1000-1155	Catholic University
Tuliza Fleming	Reconstructing Thomas Satterwhite Noble: The Development and Meanings of Noble's African American Imagery	University of Maryland, College Park
Renee L. Hayslett	The Effects of Donepezil, Nicotine and Haloperidol in an Animal Model of Tourette Syndrome	Howard University
Anne Innis	A Comparison of the Influence of Arbuscular Mycorrhiza Fungi on the Invasive Rubus phoenicolasius and the Native Rubus argutus	University of Maryland, College Park
Akito Yuji Kawahara	Phylogenetic Revision of the Snout Butterflies (Nymphalidae: Libytheinae)	University of Maryland, College Park
Barbara Kearney	Who Holds the Power? Stakeholder Negotiations in the Tusayan Land Exchange Discourse	University of Maryland, College Park
Melanie Diez LeGoullon	Pilots' Scanning Strategies and Their Effect on Situation Awareness	George Mason University
Changbao Ma	Organic Nanoparticle Synthesis and Characterization	Georgetown University
Daniel L. Michael	Nixon, Allende and the Shadow of Cuba, 1970-73	George Washington University
Courtney North	Vestibular Studies in Individuals with Connexin 26 Deafness	Gallaudet University
David Porter	James Wilkinson and Kentucky Separatism	George Washington University
Felicia Rosu	King of Two Republics: Stefan Batory in Transylvania and Poland-Lithuania	Georgetown University
Erin Sadlack	"In writing it may be spoke": The Politics of Women's Letter Writing, 1377-1603	University of Maryland, College Park
Sara Scalenghe	Concepts of Disability in a Non- Western Context	Georgetown University
Eun Jung Sohn	Interaction Between Recombination Bovine CD14 and Endotoxin During Coliform Mastitis in Dairy Cows	University of Maryland, College Park

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Benjamin Benus	Visual Music: The Life and Work of Ludung Hirschfeld-Mack	University of Maryland, College Park
Rachel Borgatti	Nutrient-Microbe Interactions of the Mangroves of Queensland, Australia	University of Maryland, College Park

Rebecca Warburton Boylan	Researching Thomas Hardy's Artistic Vision	George Washington University
Mardi Byerly	Inhibition of BDNF Gene Expression in the Hypothalamus by T#: A Potential Pathway for Energy Regulation	University of Maryland, College Park
Gregory F. Domber	American Support for Opposition Movements in Poland, 1981-1989	George Washington University
Binglin Gong	Behavior of Markets - Empirical Evidence from Nasdaq	University of Maryland, College Park
Tiffany Lynn Harvey	Can Individuals with Severe to Profound Hearing Loss be Fit with Minimal Contact Technology	Gallaudet University
Mitchell P. Jones	Nature, Soul, and Spirit in Husserl's Phenomenology of Subjectivity	Catholic University
Sandra Leavitt	Between Security and Conflict: Government Policies Toward Muslim Minorities in Asia	Georgetown University
Anna K. Lee	Interethnic Aggression and Willingness to Help	Howard University
Kelli Lewis	Low Copy Number DNA Analysis: The Recovery of DNA from Handled Objects and Determination of Order of Contact Based on Mixed Genetic Profiles	George Washington University
Lara Lopardo	Phylogenetic Revision of Mysmenid Spiders and the Evolution of Web Architecture (Araneae, Araneoidea, Mysmenidae)	George Washington University
Janice Lyons	Low Copy Number DNA Analysis: The Recovery of DNA from Handled Objects and Determination of Order of Contact Based on Mixed Genetic Profiles	George Washington University
Shelly McKenzie	Mass Movements: A Cultural History of Exercise and Physical Fitness	George Washington University
Holly L. Menninger	The Effects of Periodical Cicadas on Stream Ecosystems	University of Maryland, College Park
Carlo Moreno	The Role of Species Abundance and Distribution in Pest Regulation	University of Maryland, College Park
Margaret Anne Morse	The Arts of Domestic Devotion in Renaissance Italy: the Case of Venice	University of Maryland, College Park
Kelly O'Neal	Monitoring Coastal Marsh Loss and Upland Inundation in the Chesapeake Bay	University of Maryland, College Park
Kelly A. Ryan	Regulating Passion: Sexuality and Citizenship in the New Republic	University of Maryland, College Park
Nadya J. Sbaiti	Schooling Gender and Citizenship in a Middle Eastern Society	Georgetown University

Joana Zanol Silva	Biodiversity of Marine Bristle Worms of Selected Genera of the Family Eunicidae (Polychaeta, Annelida) from the Brazilian Coast	George Washington University
Colin Studds	Winter Habitat Quality and Population Processes for American Redstarts	University of Maryland, College Park
Lisa Senchysshyn Trever	"When the Very Stones Rose Up to Serve the Inca" Illuminating the Imperial Inca Architecture of Cusco, Peru	University of Maryland, College Park
Xenia V. Wilkinson	From Cornfields to Magical Resort Town: A History of Valle De Bravo, Mexico	Georgetown University
Courtney Hissong Wilson	Zapatista Murals and the Iconography of Resistance	American University

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C. Scott Allen	Detecting a Delivery Vehicle for Biological Weapons of Mass Destruction	George Mason University
Bryan D. Arnold	Investigation of Pallid Bat (Antrozous Pallidus) Social Calls as a Mechanism for Group Decision Making	University of Maryland, College Park
Katherine E. Cano	Effect of Trace Metals on Amyloid Configuration	George Mason University
Paul J. Constantino	Skull Adaptation to Mechanically- Demanding Foods	George Washington University
Megan M. Faller	Women and Gender in Vienna 1900	Georgetown University
Kelly Boeneman Gemmill	Spatial Regulation of Chromosomal Replication	Georgetown University
Meghan E. Giulino	Indigenous Protest in Ecuador: Toward a Comparative Framework	Georgetown University
Vinita Gowda Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Breeding System of Two Native Caribbean Heliconias Pollinated by Sexually Dimorphic Purple-Throated Carib Hummingbirds	George Washington University
Katharina Hering	The Popularization of Genealogical Research in the US Between 1876 and 1941	George Mason University
Nicholas B. Jabro	Ecological Comparison of Bahamian and Australian Stromatolites	University of Maryland, College Park
Christina M. Kennedy	Birds in Fragmented Landscapes in Jamaica: Role of the Matrix	University of Maryland, College Park
Elisenda Vila Llonch	Stories on the Walls; Narrative and Symbol in Moche Mural Painting	University of Maryland, College Park

Roger P. Mellen	A Culture of Dissidence: The Emergence of Liberty of the Press in Pre-Revolutionary Virginia's Public Sphere	George Mason University
Kurt F. Moser	Microtopography and Ecosystem Development in Created Wetlands in Virginia	George Mason University
Laura Groves Napolitano	Lilly Martin Spencer's Images of Children	University of Maryland, College Park
Irina A. Papkov	Is Orthodox Christianity Compatible with Democracy? Russia as a Test Case	Georgetown University
Andrew Z. Robarts	Population Movements and Migration Policies in the Black Sea Region	Georgetown University
Paula J. Rodgers	Comparative Study of Sperm Storage in Crabs	University of Maryland, College Park
Felicia Rosu	In the Name of Glory: Political Life in Transylvania and Poland-Lithuania During the Reign of Stefan Bathory, 1571-1586	Georgetown University
Robert F. Smith	Connecting Terrestrial Adult Activity to In-Stream Community Structure in Urban and Rural watersheds	University of Maryland, College Park
Bradley G. Thomas, Jr.	Reversal of Cisplatin Resistance by Terbium in Human PC-3 Prostate Cancer Cells	Howard University
Kirby L. Webster	Coral as Canaries in the Coal Mine	American University

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Name	Topic	Institution
Maria Castaneda	Reconstucting evolutionary relationships of a poorly known group of South American Anolis lizards	George Washington University
Chia-Pin Chang	MicroFluidic Analytical Techniques and Saliva Analyzer Development	George Washington University
Julie Donovan	Sydney Owenson and the Politics of Style	George Washington University
John Faith	The Bones of Shompole Conservation Area, Kenya: The Application of Bone Survey as an Ecological Monitoring Technique	George Washington University
Daniel Fergus	Molecular Basis of Song Variation in Hawaiian Crickets	University of Maryland, College Park
Angela George	"The Old New World": Unearthing Mesoamerican Antiquity in the Art and Culture of the United States, 1839-1893	University of Maryland, College Park
Katherine Grover	Coal, Cars, and Cows: Climate Change Politics in India	American University

Samuel Harris	'Amr Khaled's Life Makers: An Ethnographic Study of a Contemporary Islamic Organization	Georgetown University
Michelle Beissel Heath	Untidy Things: Children's Games and the (Adult) Discourse of Play	George Washington University
Bjoern Hofmeister	Organized Pan-Germanism and Local Identity in Central Europe, 1914-1939	Georgetown University
Melinda Hung	The use of Single Base Extension technique to Characterize 13 Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms of Haplogroups H, J, T, V, and K in the Mitrochondrial Genome to Help Infer European Ancestry	George Washington University
David Hunter	Jim Crow Goes Abroad: Race and the American Nation During World War II	University of Maryland, College Park
Saleha Husain	Application of synchrotron infrared spectromicroscopy to detect pyrene degradation by Pseudomonas fluorescens Strain 29L	George Mason University
Stephanie Jacobe	Reviled Businessman, Committed Catholic, and Gilded Age Patron	American University
Sarah Johnson Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Population Genetics of The Native Rodents of the Galapagos Islands	George Mason University
Melissa Kravetz	Using the Language of Eugenics: Female Physicians in Weimar and Nazi Germany	University of Maryland, College Park
Daniel de Lill	High-Pressure Crystallography and Luminescence of Metal-Organic Framework Materials	George Washington University
Nathan Manuel	The Black Mountain Legacy: Why Black Mountain College is still influencing art 50 years after closing their door.	Corcoran College of Art & Design
Deborah O'Donnell	Ecological Determinates of Vector Competence	Georgetown University
Herman Pandana	Feasibility of Gold Nanoparticle Tagged Aptamer as Biomarker Sensor: Thrombin Detection	University of Maryland, College Park
Genevieve Spanjer	Social Learning and Decision-making while Foraging in Fruit- and Nectar-feeding Bats	University of Maryland, College Park
Ceren Susut	Tuning the Electrocatalytic Activity of Platinum Nanoparticles via Shape and Size Control	Georgetown University
Jennifer Urbanski	The identification of genes underlying photoperiodic diapause in the invasive mosquito Aedes albopictus	Georgetown University

Juliet Wiersema	Architecture for the Afterlife: Ceramic	University of Maryland, College
	House Pots of the Moche	Park

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Jennifer Adams	An Aesthete in America: The Cross- Cultural Influence of Oscar Wilde's 1882 Lecture Tour on the Aesthetic Movement	Corcoran College of Art and Design
Rahul Ballal Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	Closing the Gap between Cancer and Aging: Telomerase and Tumor Suppressor BRCA1	Georgetown University
Kathleen Barker	Bottom, Antichrist, and the Anxiety of Representation in "A Midsummer Night's Dream"	University of Maryland, College Park
Sameer Bhattarai	Microtopography effects on vegetative and biogeochemical patterns in created wetlands: a comparative study to provide guidance for wetland creation/restoration	George Mason University
Sarah Cantor	The Landscapes of Gaspard Dughet: Artistic Identity and Intellectual Formation in Seventeenth-Century Rome	University of Maryland, College Park
Judy Che-Castaldo Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Competition between Thlaspi caerulescens and Thlaspi montanum: can phytoremediation threaten native plant populations?	University of Maryland, College Park
Ashley Choiniere	Loss of Genetic Variability in a Demographic Bottleneck Event	University of Maryland, College Park
James Clune	Cranial Particulate Bone as a New Material for Onlay Cranioplasty	George Washington University School of Medicine
Megan Faller-Brandow	Adam and the New Eve: Gender, Art, and Creative Life Within the Vienna Moderns, 1890-1920	Georgetown University
Jilian Fazio	Behavioral Assessment of the clouded leopard (Neofelis nebulosa); a comparative analysis of reproductive success.	George Mason University
Elizabeth Forte	Shakespeare's Stage in America: the Early History of the Folger Theatre	University of Maryland, College Park
Isabel Garcia-Ramos	Muscle Regeneration in Diabetic Mice	Howard University
Felicia Gomez	African Genetic Diversity and Natural Selection at Malaria Resistance Candidate Genes	The George Washington University
Adam Greenhalgh	Risky Business: Chance and Contingency in American Art, 1876- 1907	University of Maryland, College Park

Natalie Hanson	Quantifying Metabolic Adaptation to the Cave Environment	American University
Catherine Haradon	Environmental context of the Acheulean to MSA transition in Africa	The George Washington University
Stephen Hintze	Cultivating the Crafts: Aileen Osborn Webb and the Instituting of American Craft, 1934-1964	Corcoran College of Art + Design
Douglas Howard	Earth Analogues to Catastrophic Outflow Channels on Mars: A Quantitative Geomorphic Approach	George Mason University
Alicia Kopfstein-Penk	Leonard Bernstein's Young People's Concerts: Inception, Development, Reception	Catholic University of America
Shervin Malekzadeh	Ambiguous Spaces: Classrooms and the Politics of Schooling and Identity Formation in Postrevolutionary Iran	Georgetown University
Saugandhika Minnikanti	Dielectrophoretic deposition of carbon nanotubes for implantable electrodes	George Mason University
Kimberly Moloney	World Bank's Public Sector Reforms: Focused on Economic Growth or Poverty Reduction? (1983-2007)	American University
Kelly O'Quin	Vision and Adaptive Radiation in the Cichlid Fishes of Lake Tanganyika	University of Maryland, College Park
Mary Savig	Making the Old New Again: Elizabeth Farnese and the Neoclassical Origins of Spain	The George Washington University
Kelly Wisecup	Print and the Politics of Medical Knowledge in the 1721 Boston Inoculation Controversy	University of Maryland, College Park
Kristin Wolf	The Effects of Hydrologic Connectivity, Soil Properties, and Functional Design Elements on Nitrogen Dynamics in Created and Natural Wetlands in the Piedmont Region of the Southeastern U.S.	George Mason University
Mirna Zakic	The Furthest Watch of the Reich: Nazism among the Ethnic Germans in the Serbian Banat, 1941-1944	University of Maryland, College Park

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Name	Topic	Institution
Rodolfo Tello Abanto	The Cultural Dynamics of Wildlife	American University
	Harvesting: Worldview Systems and	
	Hunting Intensity among the	
	Huachipaeri of the Peruvian Rainforest	
Bryan Arnold	Social Communication in Pallid Bats	University of Maryland, College
	(Antrozous pallidus)	Park
John Bowlus	The Cedar Lobby: Charles Malik and	Georgetown University
	U.S. Policy in Lebanon, 1958-1976.	

Kamali Carroll	The Preneural Serotonergic System in Lytechinus pictus: A Role in Gastrulation	George Washington University
Rodney Coeller	'Going Native': Radicalized Evangelical Missionaries in Central America during the 1970s and 1980s	American University
Christina Collins	Preserving Valuable Genetics of the Przewalski's Horse Through Reproductive Research	University of Maryland, College Park
Laura Dolezal	An Optimized Method for DNA Extraction from Aged Postage Stamps, and a Correlation Between Human Salivary ±-Amylase Activity and DNA Quantity. (Joint with Emily Herren)	George Washington University
Catherine Formolo	Proteomic Analysis of Malignant Glioma Invasion	George Washington University
Lee Ghajar	Tredegar Iron Works: Industrial Survival and Growth in the South from Reconstruction through the Gilded Age	George Mason University
Paaqua Grant	Maternal factors that specify neural fate in Xenopus laevis and their evolutionary relationship to similar factors in Drosophila melanogaster.	George Washington University
Julie Hebert Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	The biogeography of gene flow between flies on holly hosts.	University of Maryland, College Park
Robb Hernandez	The VIVA Papers of Los Angeles, 1988-2001	University of Maryland, College Park
Emily Herren	An Optimized Method for DNA Extraction from Aged Postage Stamps and a Correlation Between Human Salivary ±-Amylase Activity and DNA Quantity (Joint with Laura Dolezal)	George Washington University
Can Kirmizibayrak	IMPROVING TRACKING PERFORMANCE AND ACCURACY IN IMAGE GUIDED SURGERY WITH HYBRID TRACKING	George Washington University
Anita Kondoyanidi	Maxim Gorky and the Russian Revolution	Georgetown University
Michael Landis	'Though the Heavens Fall': Slavery, Northern Democrats, & the Destruction of the Union	George Washington University
Elizabeth Nugent	More than Terrorism: Hezbollah in the context of Lebanon's failed state	Georgetown University
John O'Keefe	Research on Aliens and Citizenship in Early United States	George Washington University
Justin Pope	Whispers and Waves: Insurrection, Conspiracy, and the Search for Salvation in the British Atlantic World, 1729-1742	George Washington University

Breanne Robertson	Ancient Mexico in United States Art and Visual Culture, 1933-1945	University of Maryland, College Park
Mary Ronan	Not Your Mother's Embroidery	Corcoran College of Art + Design
Erik Stemmy	Functional effects of Hookworm excreted/secreted products on human Natural Killer cells	George Washington University
Ryan Valdez Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	From intense land-use to conservancy: measuring ecological recovery in Laikipia, Kenya	George Mason University
Ajay Verghese	The Dual Legacies of the British Raj: Colonialism, Caste and Contemporary Governance in India	George Washington University

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Richard J. Boles	Divided Faith: The Rise of Segregated Northern Churches	George Washington University
Gerald Carter	Evolutionary stability of cooperation: Do vampire bats detect cheaters?	University of Maryland, College Park
Zachary J. Foster	Explaining the Emergence of a Palestinian National Identity: The Role of Regional Inter-textuality	Georgetown University
Kelsey Glennon	"Do polyploidy and pollinator preferences shape hybridization patterns in the native plant genus Houstonia?"	George Washington University
Emrah Safa Gurkan	Spanish information gathering in Constantinople in the 16th century	Georgetown University
Toshihiro Higuchi	Nuclear Fallout, the Politics of Risk, and the Making of a Global Environmental Crisis, 1945-1963	Georgetown University
Joseph E. Hower	AFSCME's Politics in an Age of Backlash, 1968-1980	Georgetown University
Akito Y. Kawahara Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	Hawkmoth ears, ultrasound, and the evolution of bat evasion (Lepidoptera: Sphingidae)	University of Maryland, College Park
Matt A. Kohlstedt	Becoming American Orientalists: Social Scientists Define Middle Easterners, 1921-1953	George Washington University
Lindsay R. Moore	Women, Power, and Litigation in the English Atlantic World, 1630-1700	George Washington University
Asma Naeem	"The Imagery of the Ear:" Sound and Listening in American Art, 1848 - 1897	University of Maryland, College Park
Andrea K. O'Brien	Intimate Encounters: German-GI Social and Sexual Relationships in Occupied Germany	George Washington University

Stephanie L. Sarraino	Seasonal nutrient dynamics in the Anacostia as shown by stable isotopes and fatty acid biomarkers	American University
Jeffrey Sosa-Calvo Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Apterostigma megacephala: A 'Missing Link' in the Evolution of Agriculture in Ants	University of Maryland, College Park
Frank W. Stearns	Moving toward an optimum: Mutations as an evolutionary force	University of Maryland, College Park
Jennifer L. Strykowski	Effects of Low Temperature on Gene Expression and Sex Determination in Rivulus (Kryptolebias marmoratus)	University of Maryland, College Park
Lyrica E. Taylor	"Winifred Knights: Interwar Women Artists at the British School at Rome, 1920-1939"	University of Maryland, College Park
Anand Toprani	"Oil and Grand Strategy: Germany, Britain, and the United States, 1918- 1945"	Georgetown University
Lauren E. Ullrich	Recognition memory in mild cognitive impairment	Georgetown University
Patricia M. Washington	A novel autoimmune response following traumatic brain injury.	Georgetown University
Kimberly M. Welch	"Public Confrontations: Subordinate Southerners and Local Legal Cultures in Mississippi and Louisiana, 1820- 1860"	University of Maryland, College Park

2011		
Name	Topic	Institution
Paul K. Adler	'Planetary Citizens': U.S. Non- Governmental Organizations and the Struggle Over Globalization, 1963- 1994	Georgetown University
Mariya Amelicheva	Regional Administration of Russia's Muslims, 18th c: Case Studies of the Crimean (Tauride) and Ufa governors, Grigorii Potemkin and Joseph Igelstrom	Georgetown University
Amy L. Bauernfeind	Energetics and Maturation of the Brain in Humans and Macaque Monkeys	George Washington University
Ryan C. Briggs	Aiding & Abetting: The Influence of Development	American University
Megan E. Brown Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	Reproductive Behavior as an evaluation of Reproductive Success on Captive Whooping Cranes (Grus americana).	University of Maryland, College Park
David T. Buckley	Secular Evolution: Religion, State and Institutional Change in Ireland	Georgetown University

Nicholas L. Danforth	100 Years of 1453: Ottoman Nostalgia and Identity in Republican Turkey	Georgetown University
Patrick A. Forcelli	Optogenetic Control of Seizures	Georgetown University
Kyle M. Hesed	Dispersal and Social Relationships in the Red-Backed Salamander	University of Maryland, College Park
Onur Isci	Russo-Turkish Imperial Rivalry in the Caucasus, 1858-1878	Georgetown University
Harlan J. King	Purification of the Haustorium and Extra-Haustorial Membrane in Arabidopsis thaliana	University of Maryland, College Park
Mark I. Manzano	High-throughput screening for small molecule inhibitors of dengue virus protease	Georgetown University
Shannon E. Mohan	Under Advisement: From William Y. Elliott to Richard Nixon	American University
Graham A. Pitts Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Paradise Dried Up: An historical hydrogeography of Damascus	Georgetown University
Clark S. Rushing	Estimating the Reproductive Consequences of Dispersal Using Stable Isotopes	University of Maryland, College Park
Yashar Saghai	In Search of a Welfare Criterion for Health Nudges	Georgetown University
Katherine E. Schroer	Geometric morphometric analysis of crown and root integration in molarized primate premolars	George Washington University
Tara A. Scully	Determining the building blocks: serotonin receptors and their role in development	George Washington University
Julia J. Sittmann	The Baghdad Panopticon: Police Work, Interrogations, and the Transnational History of Discipline between East Germany and Ba'athist Iraq (1968- 1989)	George Washington University
Olivia A. Smith	Characterization of the Reproductive Seasonality of the Fathead Minnow	University of Maryland, College Park
Kenneth E. Stilwell	Sacred Song: Jesuit Missionaries and the Huron, Mohawk and Abenaki	Catholic University
Larisa L. Veloz	The Forgotten Migrants: Women and Migrant Families in California	Georgetown University
Lara R. Yeager	The Drawing Academy of Michael Sweerts: Academic Traditions and Tapestry in Seventeenth-Century Brussels	University of Maryland, College Park
Andrew M. Zipkin	Identification and Characterization of Archaeologically Relevant Malawian Ochre Deposits	George Washington University

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Alexis Boyd	Development of an in vitro model of invasion by the infective L3 of Brugia malayi in human skin.	George Washington University
Habiba Chirchir	How does running influence trabecular morphology in mice limb joints? A proxy for understanding the evolution of efficient running	George Washington University
Joel J. Credle	The Unfolding of Parkinson's Diseases. Potential Novel Therapies Through Inhibition of the Unfolded Protein Response.	Georgetown University
Samantha N. DeTillio	Discovering Charles J. Connick: Commission Contracts, Business Correspondence and Stained Glass Windows of Boston and New York	George Mason University
Isha Dube	Understanding the gas sensing mechanism in Carbon Nanotube Field Effect Transistors	Georgetown University
Ashley D. Franklin	Genotypic determination of the putative NF-°B binding site within the promoter region of the SAA1 gene locus in cheetah (Acinonyx jubatus)	University of Maryland, College Park
Walter P. (Trip) Glazer	Sentimental Social Practices: The Role of Emotion in Social Reasoning	Georgetown University
Michael T. Hallworth Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Quantifying migratory connectivity for a Neotropical migratory bird using direct and indirect techniques	George Mason University
Nell Haynes	Political Struggles: The Representation of Politics in Bolivian Lucha Libre	American University
Courtney Hofman	Ancient Biological Invasions? Hunter-Gatherers, Paleogenomics, and 'Endemic' Mammals of California's Channel Islands	University of Maryland College Park
Kyle Huynh	Gamma-irradiated Sterile Cornea(R) for Use in Penetrating Keratoplasty: A Novel Approach	George Washington University
Cheng Man Lun	Potential novel marine biomedical reagent: Innate immunity and the antibacterial proteins from the Purple Sea Urchin	George Washington University
Laura T. O'Hara	'If the City Burns Tonight, I'm Holding You Responsible:' Black Power, White Conservatives, and the Alexandria Civil Disturbances, May 29June 9, 1970	George Mason University
Dilip Venugopal Pattabhiraman	Landscape influences of spatio- temporal patterns in an invasive agricultural insect pest	University of Maryland, College Park

Michelle A. Peck Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	Development of a proximity ligation real-time PCR (PLiRT-PCR) assay for the forensic detection of spermatozoa	George Washington University
Karen E. Poole	Phylogenetic Systematics of Basal Iguanodontians	George Washington University
Kathryn Ranhorn	The Archaeological Context of early Homo sapiens in southeastern Tanzania	George Washington University
Elizabeth H. Searcy	Campaign for Victory: Trauma and Desegregation in Jacob Lawrence's War Series	George Washington University
Richard S. Smith	Photo-guided Mapping of Olfactory Neural Circuitry	University of Maryland, College Park
Andrew W. Thompson	The Evolution of Diapause in Annual Killifish	George Washington University
Patricia M. Washington	Reversing ApoE Genotype-Specific Susceptibility to Alzheimer's Disease Pathology after Traumatic Brain Injury	Georgetown University
Alexis M. Zimberg	Proposal to Conduct Follow-Up Field Research in the Russian Federation During the 2012 Election	Georgetown University

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Name	Topic	Institution
Patrick Bales	Biofilm elimination studies in the investigation of putative extracellular polysaccharide (EPS) depolymerases	University of Maryland, College Park
James C. Benton	Cut From a Bitter Cloth: The Global Consensus, Free Trade, and the Struggle to Save U.S. Textiles, 1933- 1974	Georgetown University
Jason A. Berg	An empirical approach to examine the underlying mechanisms responsible for the amelioration of population maladaptation in Mimulus guttatus	University of Maryland, College Park
Parviz L. Bozzelli Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	Are ZnT3 protein levels in a late-onset model of Alzheimer's disease altered by zinc supplementation?	George Mason University
Gail V. Clements	The Design and Synthesis of Mycobacterium tuberculosis Proteasome Inhibitors	George Washington University
Michael A. DeLuca	Corporate Social Responsibility in Sub- Saharan Africa: A Cost-Benefit Analysis of a Malaria Control Program in the Mining Industry	Georgetown University
Sonya B. Dumanis	Glutamine- A Potential New Biomarker for Alzheimer's Disease Risk	Georgetown University
Eric T. Gettig	Oil and Revolution in Cuba: International History and Latin American Connections'	Georgetown University

Harrison Guthorn	How the British Built Amman	University of Maryland, College Park
Robert W. Hutchinson	Research in American Records Related to German Intelligence Organizations	University of Maryland, College Park
Ana Jesovnik	Digging deep in Central America: Evolution of nest architecture in the fungus growing ant genus Sericomyrmex	University of Maryland, College Park
Lara R. Langer	Andrea Sansovino: Mastering the Spectacle of Sculpture in Sixteenth-Century Italy	University of Maryland, College Park
Edward R. Lucas	Counter-Piracy: great power interests regarding violent non-state actors	American University
Nguyet T. Nguyen	Anti-war Activism in France and Public Opinion against the War, 1965-1973	American University
Katheryn W. Patterson	The microbiology and molecular ecology of tissue-loss diseases affecting Acropora cervicornis in the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary	George Mason University
Sara M. Pecknold	Devotion and Dedication: Barbara Strozzi and the Italian Virtuosi at the Innsbruck Court, 1646-1656	Catholic University of America
Adolfo Polo y La Borda	Imperial Pilgrimage: The Spanish Empire's Network of Royal Functionaries	University of Maryland, College Park
Molly Randolph	Isaac Broome: Ott & Brewer's Visionary Ceramic Artist	George Mason University
Laura D. Reyes	Patterns of Gene Expression in Macaque Monkey Neocortical Development	George Washington University
Holly R. Robertson	Peaceful Neighbors: Polish Muslims and Polish Jews Before, During, and After the Holocaust. A Message for Today?	Georgetown University
Caroline D. Shields	The Relationship between Art and Industry at Late Nineteenth-Century Universal Expositions	University of Maryland, College Park
Brittany Spencer-King	Molded in Bronze: The Desk Sets of Louis C. Tiffany, 1897- 1929	George Mason University
Josef B. Stiegler	Osteohistological Analysis and Growth Dynamics of the Theropod Dinosaur Shuvuuia deserti from the Gobi Desert of Mongolia	George Washington University
Kaitlyn M. Tagarelli	A neurocognitive investigation of the full course of second language learning	Georgetown University
Yi-Jiun Tsai Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Testing a critical assumption of sexual selection in a parasitoid wasp	Georgetown University

Amelia Villasenor	Regional variation in the habitats of	George Washington University
	Australopithecus afarensis: a lateral,	
	ecological exploration of paleosols in	
	the Afar and Turkana Basins, Ethiopia	
	and Kenya	

2014		
Name	Topic	Institution
Elena Abbott	Free Soil, Canada, and the Atlantic Geography of the American Slavery Debate	Georgetown University
Jessica Anderson	Making Locals: Somalia, Humanitarianism, and the Politics of Empowerment	The George Washington University
Fiona Brabazon	Intranasal Insulin treatment of Traumatic Brain Injury	Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
Lyndsay Bratton Gerson Nordlinger Award in the Arts	Artel and the Austrian Museum of Applied Arts (MAK)	University of Maryland, College Park
Joshua Brown-Clay	PDZ Domain-Binding Kinase in Prostate Cancer: A Novel Target to Prevent Metastases?	Georgetown University
Kathryn Densford	The Relationship between Vienna and Moravia during the Great War	The George Washington University
Lindsay Dupertuis	Imitation and Innovation in Maiolica Istoriati	University of Maryland, College Park
Kelsey Flynn	Information Management and the Early English Atlantic Empire	The George Washington University
Sarah Green	Ecomorphology of Snakes: Comparing Ecomorphotypes at a Global Scale	The George Washington University
Miriam Grotte	Anne Truitt and Three-Dimensional Painting: Setting Color Free	The George Washington University
Katie Hail-Jares	Tentative Release Date: Incarcerated Men's Individual and Communal Strategies for Community Reentry	American University
Oliver Horn	U.S. Aid Programs and the Creation of Contemporary Colombia	Georgetown University
Graham Hough-Cornwell	Sweetening the Pot: A History of Taste and Tea in Morocco, 1860-1960	Georgetown University
Adrienne Kates	Autonomous Mayas and International Capitalism in Mexico's Chewing Gum Forests	Georgetown University
Charles Kraus	Shanghai's 'Educated Youth' on the Chinese Frontier and the Conjuncture of Chinese Foreign and Domestic Policies, 1963-1978	The George Washington University

Barry McCarron	'The Chinese Must Not Come!' Irish Immigrants, Chinese Exclusion, and US-China Relations	Georgetown University
Dana McCoskey	Investigating trophic linkages for a Neotropical migratory bird: Molecular identification of prey items and validation of a protocol for molecular studies of avian diets	George Mason University
Louie Milojevic	George F. Kennan: The Missing Chapter on Yugoslavia, 1961-1963	American University
Karoline Oldham Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Ecological interactions in the face of climate change: a historical case study from the forests of North America.	George Mason University
David Patterson Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	Human survival: A high-resolution comparison of Homo and Paranthropus ecology at Koobi Fora in northern Kenya	The George Washington University
Pratha Sah	Effect of translocation on animal social networks, population robustness and disease vulnerability	Georgetown University
Rachel Salzman	Rebranding BRIC: Russia's Campaign to Unite the Rising Powers	Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies
Victor Sugiharto Joseph McLaughlin Meritorious Award in Biomedical Science	The Effect of Dengue Virus Infection on Aedes Aegypti Response to DEET	Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
Vanessa Taylor	A New Voice for Mary: Fifteenth- Century Illuminations of Marian Communication	The Catholic University of America
Dominic White	Tracking the evolution of four-legged dinosaur locomotion with three-dimensional imaging and digital models of the vertebral column and ribs	The George Washington University
Julie Yarwood	The Wisconsin Connection: La Follette and FDR's 'Letter to the Nation's Clergy'	The Catholic University of America

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Name	Topic	Institution
Carol Anderson	Remembering the Sacred Past in Medieval Florentine and Sienese Hagiography and Preaching (ca. 1200- 1350)	The Catholic University of America
Lauren Angel	Dance Companies Present American Race and Gender in Cold War Diplomacy	The George Washington University
Shannon Browne Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Does urbanization play an important role in White Nose Syndrome-sensitive bat species?	University of Maryland, College Park

Sarah Cadagin	'The Altarpieces of Domenico Ghirlandaio: Archival Work in Florence, Pisa, and Lucca'	University of Maryland, College Park
Caroline Dubinsky Gerson Nordlinger Award in the Arts	/Arti del Fuoco/: The Visual Culture of Mining and Metallurgy in Sixteenth-Century Italy	University of Maryland, College Park
Tyler Frankel	Effects of a Human Contraceptive Progestin on Reproduction in the Viviparous Mosquitofish	University of Maryland, College Park
Ingrid Harris	The impact of Leishmania colonization on bacterial communities associated with Ethiopian sand flies	Howard University
Sabina Henneberg	Governing Uncertainty: Government After Authoritarian Breakdown in North Africa	Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies
Katy Hull	Despotism With a Dimple: American Sympathizers with Italian Fascism	Georgetown University
Martin Margolis	Cultures of Contention in the Egyptian Countryside, 1914-1919	The George Washington University
Leslie McKinnon	The role of glucosinolates on the microbiota and host health in Pieris rapae	Howard University
Scott Miles Joseph McLaughlin Meritorious Award in Biomedical Science	The neurocognition of learning a new musical system	Georgetown University
Jordan Miller	The function of chimpanzee consolation: Insights into the origins of human empathy	The George Washington University
Katya Mouris	From Reform to Reformation: Abbess Caritas Pirckheimer and the Convent of St. Klara, Nuremberg, late 1490s-1532	The Catholic University of America
Dorothy Ohl	Rebel or Repress? Explaining Iraqi Soldiers' Responses to the 1991 Southern and Kurdish Uprisings	The George Washington University
Rosemary Onjiko Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	New Approaches to Understand Early Embryo Development	The George Washington University
Nicole Riesenberger	Fashioning Kingship in Early Modern Naples: The Court of King Ferrante, 1458-1494	University of Maryland, College Park
Chelsie Romulo	Sustainability and conservation of the ecologically, culturally, and economically important palm tree Mauritia flexuosa (aguaje) in the Peruvian Amazon	George Mason University
Timothy Schmalz	Showcasing Race and Empire through Lebensborn and the SS-Kalender	Georgetown University

Yue Shi	The Tacit Collaboration: Economy, Ethnicity and Empire in the Central Asian Frontier of the Qing and Russia, 1860s-1910s	Georgetown University
Upasana Shokal	Antibacterial activity of insect TEPs against human pathogenic bacteria	The George Washington University
Jordan Smith	The Invention of Rum	Georgetown University
David Stern	The Evolution of Light-Interaction Genes in Cave-Adapted Crayfish	The George Washington University
Sarah Tweedt	Using development to resolve ancient animal relationships	University of Maryland, College Park
John Villecco	Local Effects of Chinese-Funded Infrastructural Development on the Kenyan Coast	American University
Elizabeth Williams	Cultivating Empires: Environment, Expertise, and Scientific Agriculture in Late Ottoman and French Mandate Syria	Georgetown University
Shruti Yadav	Identification of novel anti-parasitic host immune genes.	The George Washington University

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Danielle Adams	Scent of a male: social status, hormones, and scent in greater spearnosed bats	University of Maryland, College Park
Chelsea Berry	Poisoned Relations: Medicine, Sorcery, and Poison Trials in the Greater Caribbean, 1690-1850	Georgetown University
Matthew Bias	Daily Life in Poznan during the Radicalization of Nationalism/td>	The George Washington University
Gregory Brew	Mandarins, Paladins and Pahlavis: Anglo-American Modernization and the Dual Integration of Oil in Iran, 1925-1963	Georgetown University
Grace Capshaw	Hearing without ears: A structural basis for extratympanic hearing in lungless salamanders	University of Maryland, College Park
Tanya Catignani	Geospatial Analysis of the Ancient Maya Wetland Agricultural Fields of Northern Belize	George Mason University
Julie Chamberlain	A Saint for Our Times': Mother Teresa, U.S. Healthcare, and the Humanitarian Ethic	The George Washington University
Sam Choi	Ultra High-Sensitivity Peptide Identification for Neurodegenerative Disease Research	The George Washington University

	Utilizing Western Blot to Assess the Effects of Tau and Zinc in a Transgenic Mouse	George Mason University
Kate Dannies	Harem to Homefront: Ottoman Women in World War I	Georgetown University
Laurence Dumouchel Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	The environments of the earliest Australopithecus	The George Washington University
Andrey Gornostaev Joan Ridder Challinor Meritorious Award for Overall Excellence	Peasants 'on the Move': Illegal Migration in Eighteenth-Century Russia	Georgetown University
Margaret Harrington	Picturing Devotion in Four Dutch Golden Age Huiskerken	University of Maryland, College Park
Kelsey Kim Gerson Nordlinger Award in the Arts	Material in the Immaterial World: Material Culture and the Realization of Utopia in Communities of Shakers, Mormons, and Oneida Perfectionists	George Mason University
Alicia Korol Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Improving the precision of our Chesapeake Bay watershed estimates of floodplain nitrogen removal	George Mason University
Grant Lewis	Effects of Small Business Regulation on Firm-Level Outcomes	George Mason University
John Maurer Joan Ridder Challinor Meritorious Award for Overall Excellence	An Era of Negotiation: The Strategic Arms Limitation Talks, 1969-1972	Georgetown University
Andrew Moore	Before the Morrison: the evolution of sauropod dinosaurs in the Middle and early Late Jurassic	The George Washington University
Caroline Neely Joseph McLaughlin Meritorious Award in Biomedical Science	The effects of dietary copper and zinc on NMDA-receptor expression: Implications for fear associative learning impairment and post-traumatic stress disorder	George Mason University
Jackson Perry	Baron Ferdinand von Mueller's Scientific Network of Eucalyptus Enthusiasts	Georgetown University
Jonathan Reeves	The evolution of hominin land-use: An environmental approach to Pleistocene stone tool	The George Washington University
Adele Roland	Impact of ambient sound on minke whale habitat use and energy budgets.	George Mason University
Serajus Salaheen	Natural phenolic antimicrobials from berry byproducts replacing synthetic antibiotics in farm animal production	University of Maryland, College Park
Brian Schilder	The Evolution of Adult Neurogenesis Across Primates	The George Washington University

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Name	Topic	Institution
Zachary Batz	Latitudinal variation in amino acid metabolism during diapause in Aedes albopictus	Georgetown University
Beverley Catlett	Bloom: A Study in the Life and Works of the World's Leading Literary Critic	Georgetown University
Andrew Cuff Joan Ridder Challinor Meritorious Award for Overall Excellence	The Search for Baldwin of Bossu's Sentence Commentary	Catholic University of America
Christopher DeLorenzo	Coca Substitution and Popular Response in the Yungas of La Paz, Bolivia, 1920-1988	Georgetown University
Danielle Gilbert	The Causes and Consequences of Extractive Kidnapping	George Washington University
Phillip Goodling	Seismo-Acoustic Observation of Flow Velocity, Turbulent Intensity, and Cavitation in a Bedrock River	University of Maryland, College Park
Jon Paul Heyne	The Franciscans of the Holy Land: Religion and Politics of the Mediterranean in the Age of Queen Sancia	Catholic University of America
Abigail Holekamp	Informing Revolutions: Transmissions of History and Production of Knowledge in Russia and France 1892-1932	Georgetown University
Jangai Jap	Building National Unity through Power-sharing: A Subnational Study of Burma	George Washington University
Ruby Johnson	Privatizing Welfare: Mormon Women and Utah's New Deal Alternative	George Washington University
Advait Jukar Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Three million years of change in large mammal communities from the Indian Subcontinent	George Mason University
Chase LaDue	Understanding musth in captive and wild Asian elephants: Implications for in-situ and ex-situ conservation strategies	George Mason University
Camille Lombard-Banek	Uncovering the Proteomic Mechanisms of Metabolite-induced Cell Fate Changes in the Frog Embryo	George Washington University
Alex Macartney	Red Armies and the Global Revolution	Georgetown University
John Manubay Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	How top-predators capture their prey: Ecological and functional specialization in army ants	George Washington University
Sirak Mekonen	Terahertz Spectroscopy for Characterization of Metamaterials and Atomic Layered 2D Materials	Howard University

Erika Portero	Deciphering Chemical Chirality during Embryonic Cell Fate Commitment	George Washington University
Austin Powel	Constructing Religious Authority through Letters in Late Medieval Italy	Catholic University of America
Alexa Price	'Nostalgia, Heroism, and British Conceptions of the Historical Sailor at the Turn of the Nineteenth Century'	George Washington University
Tricia Rowlison	The sperm centrosome: a potential source of infertility in endangered wild cat species.	University of Maryland, College Park
Deepali Sengupta Joseph McLaughlin Meritorious Award in Biomedical Science	Rejuvenating the Aging Brain with Estrogen	University of Maryland, College Park
Alexandra Stark	Logics of Intervention: the United States and Saudi Arabia in the North Yemen (YAR) Civil War, 1962-1970	Georgetown University
Eleanor Stoltzfus Gerson Nordlinger Award in the Arts	New Womanhood and the Bauhaus: The Avant-Garde Photography of Lucia Moholy	University of Maryland, College Park
Benjamin Young	North and South Korean involvement in sub-Saharan Africa	George Washington University
Cory Young	South by North: Cotton Country Migrations during the Age of Gradual Abolition, 1780-1830	Georgetown University

2018		
Name	Topic	Institution
Linda M. Amarante	The role of the frontal cortex in food reward	American University
Roger A. Bailey	Dissertation Research at Huntington and Bancroft Libraries	University of Maryland, College Park
Aparna B. Baxi Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	Understanding branchio-otic hearing loss syndrome through mass spectrometry based proteomics	The George Washington University
Sara K. Berkowitz	Ambiguous Bodies: Gender Non- Conformity and Bodily Transformation in Early Modern Art	University of Maryland, College Park
Parviz L. Bozzelli Joseph McLaughlin Meritorious Award in Biomedical Science	Protease-activated receptor 1 (PAR-1) signaling as a potential therapeutic target in neuro-HIV infection	Georgetown University
Jenna M. Cann	The Hunt for Low Mass Black Holes in the JWST Era	George Mason University
Sara Collini	Birthing A Nation: Enslaved Women and Midwifery in Early America, 1750- 1820	George Mason University
Ala Creciun	Reform on the Eve of Revolution: Russian Press and Competing Visions for the Monarchy in the 1880s	University of Maryland, College Park

Chelsea Davis	19th Century British Wine Production at the Cape of Good Hope	The George Washington University
Jacob S. Dingman	'The Unknown Country:' Western Travelers and the Construction of Tibet, 1860-1910	Georgetown University
Thomas P. Foley	Fossil-Fueled Democracy: Energy, Ecology, and Politics in Pennsylvania, 1830-1880	Georgetown University
Dallas A. Grubbs	Forgetting and Remembering the Merovingians: Identity and History in Francia c. 800-950	The Catholic University of America
Carlos M. Hernandez	Effects of blood plasma transfusion from young mice to aged h-tau mice modelling Alzheimer's disease	George Mason University
Jon Paul Heyne	The Franciscans of the Holy Land: Religion and Politics of the Mediterranean in the Age of Queen Sancia	The Catholic University of America
Ruilong Hu	Alteration of Sensory Perception with Neuropeptides in Migraine	University of Maryland, College Park
Edward Hurme Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Response to climate variability in a marine foraging bat, Myotis vivesi	University of Maryland, College Park
Brian R. Lovett	Floral delivery of transgenic malaria mosquito killing fungi	University of Maryland, College Park
Samuel JM Miner Joan Ridder Challinor Meritorious Award for Overall Excellence	'The Exiles' Return: Emigres, Anti- Nazis and the Basic Law'	University of Maryland, College Park
Kelly R. Ostrofsky	Comparative analysis of arboreal locomotion in wild African apes	The George Washington University
Simon G. Polson Gerson Nordlinger Award in the Arts	Sacred Music and Experience in London in the later Middle Ages	University of Maryland, College Park
Rodrigo Ranero	Documenting Santiago Tz'utujiil - An Endangered Mayan Language of Guatemala	University of Maryland, College Park
Corey Rennolds	Physiological response to extreme temperature following body part loss and regeneration	University of Maryland, College Park
Dorian G. Russell	The Influence of Edge Effects on Mantled Howler Monkey (Alouatta palliata) Food Resource Use and Availability in a Fragmented Forest	American University
Madison V. Schramm	'Patterns of Threat Perception: Democratic Foreign Policy Decision- Making in the Suez Crisis and First Gulf War'	Georgetown University

Mariia Telegina	Practices of Sovereignty: Russia's Diplomatic Encounters with Muslim Powers in the Seventeenth Century	Georgetown University
James V. Torres	Economies in Transition: Markets, Money and Prices in the Northern Andes (1780-1860)	Georgetown University
Ashley L. Valanzola	The Need to Rebuild: Jewish Women in Post-Holocaust France	The George Washington University

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Arifa S. Ahsan	Does 3-Dimensional Genome Organization hold the key to Regeneration?	Georgetown University
Matthew I. Aruch	The Pinkaiti Partnership: Understanding transnational, multistakeholder collaboration in the Brazilian Amazon	University of Maryland, College Park
Christine R. Bresnahan	Individual Differences and Interventions for Spatial Thinking Skills in Children with Dyslexia	American University
Victoria R. Broadus Gerson Nordlinger Award in the Arts	Inter-American Musical Nationalism and Popular Understandings of Race and Nation: Luiz Heitor Corrêa de Azevedo's Brazilian Field Recording Sessions (1942-'44)	Georgetown University
Jakob Burnham	Friendly Rivalry and Competitive Collaboration: Anglo-French Socialization in Early Colonial South Asia	Georgetown University
Amanda K. Chen	Transitional Space and the Art and Experience of Roman Doorways	University of Maryland, College Park
Carter Clinton Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	Next generation sequencing of bacterial DNA found in New York African Burial Ground soil samples	Howard University
Alyson Cluck	Forms of Encounter: Zilia Sánchez and the Cuban Diaspora in 1960s New York	University of Maryland, College Park
Rebecca Eckert	Contribution of leaf-associated algae to stream macroinvertebrate growth	University of Maryland, College Park
Sara E. Fischer	Governing Health: Local Health Sector Workers as Political Actors in Malawi	Georgetown University
Anthony E. Guidone	The United States' First Global City: Salem, Massachusetts, 1793-1815	George Mason University
Zhongtian Han	Intelligence and China's Power Projection against Japan in Southeast Asia, 1940-1945	The George Washington University

Charles P. Hinzman Joseph McLaughlin Meritorious Award in Biomedical Science	Metabolomic Characterization of Extracellular Vesicles: Changing the Way We Think About Tumorigenesis in Pancreatic Cancer	Georgetown University
Lauren Jannette	Radical and Religious Pacifism in the Face of a Growing Fascist Threat	The George Washington University
Sukhwan Kang	"Abominable Heretics Living on My Doorstep": Religious Tolerance and Coexistence at the Languedoc- Provence Frontier between Protestant Nîmes and Catholic Arles in Seventeenth- Century France	Georgetown University
Jie Li	Discovering the Mechanism of Action for Metabolite-Induced Cell Fate Changes	University of Maryland, College Park
Thomas R. Loyd	The Soviet Union, international organizations, and the development of African higher education, 1956-1976.	Georgetown University
Aimee A. Malzahn	Branching out: Expanding CRISPR Plant Gene Regulation Toolkits	University of Maryland, College Park
Andrew T. Marshall	Language and the Nation in East Africa: Field Experimental Extension	Georgetown University
Stanley D. Maxson	The Ties that Bind: African American Social Networks and Claims-Making in Postbellum Tennessee	University of Maryland, College Park
Trishula Patel Joan Ridder Challinor Meritorious Award for Overall Excellence	Indians in Rhodesia/Zimbabwe: A History of Colonialism, Identity, and Race	Georgetown University
Samuel D. Pfister	The Social Network of the Survey of Western Palestine	The George Washington University
Jessica Roberts Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	New Evidence-based Methods in Reintroduction Science: Re- Wilding the Vinaceous-Breasted Amazon (Amazona vinacea)	George Mason University
Cory J. Young	For Life or Otherwise: Abolition and Slavery in South Central Pennsylvania	Georgetown University

2020		
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Julie J. Ahn Joseph McLaughlin Meritorious Award in Biomedical Science	The role of B cells in modulating microglial activation in multiple sclerosis	The George Washington University
James Bernot	Parasitic Copepod Evolution	The George Washington University

Rebecca A. Clement Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	The Australian Termite Diversity Anomaly: Understanding how termite communities are assembled in Northern Queensland	The George Washington University
Charles Coddington	The survival and fecundity of mixed- species bird flocks in recovering second-growth forests	George Mason University
Elizabeth S. Collins	Using Phylogeography of Palo Santo Trees to Reveal Evolutionary Patterns in American Seasonally Dry Tropical Forests (Bursera graveolens; Burseraceae)	George Mason University
Lillian C. Frost Joan Ridder Challinor Meritorious Award for Overall Excellence	Beyond Citizenship: Protracted Refugees and the State	The George Washington University
Nicolas A. Hazzi	Sistematics, evolution and biogeography of the tropical wandering spiders (Ctenidae)	The George Washington University
Elisha Henry	When Lubianka Speaks: The KGB, Information, and the Press, 1954-1969	Georgetown University
Ellen R. Jacobs	Anthropogenic Noise and Urban River Dolphins	Georgetown University
Zachary F. Karabatak	Governing the Militia: Insurgent Command and Control in the Levant	Georgetown University
Gennady Kurin	Shah Tahmsp as Murshid and the Safavid Ojq in the Sixteenth Century:Popular Memory and Collective Biography of the Qezelbsh	University of Maryland, College Park
Chase A. LaDue	Observations on the behavioral, acoustic, and hormonal variation in musth: a comparison between captive and free-ranging Asian elephants (Elephas maximus)	George Mason University
Zachary S. Lamas	Understanding Vector Capacity in Honey Bees: How viral transmission can be modeled in complex super- organisms.	University of Maryland, College Park
Santiago Meneses	Effects of preimaginal conditioning and early experience on the division of labor in ant colonies	The George Washington University
Emma C. Moesswilde	Climates of Change: British Agriculture and the Little Ice Age in the Eighteenth Century	Georgetown University

Meadhbh Molloy	Understanding the relationship between genetic diversity and health in translocated Tasmanian devils: Implications for in situ management	George Mason University
Rodrigo Ranero	Agreement and Identity Conditions on Ellipsis: The View from Mayan	University of Maryland, College Park
Rachel A. Ruisard	The Woman's Voice: Female Patrons and Performers in Lorraine and Bar, 12501390	University of Maryland, College Park
Tovah D. Siegel Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Assessing the Impacts of Forest Disturbance on Ecological Interactions in the Brazilian Amazon	George Mason University
Abigail Upshaw Gerson Nordlinger Award in the Arts	Performing Parnassus: Leonardo da Vinci's Ephemeral Productions at the Court of Milan	University of Maryland, College Park

2021		
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Sultan Alamer	Minorities without Majorities: Nation- Building and Sectarianism in the Arabian Peninsula	The George Washington University
Sarah A. Alobaid	Measuring Gene Expression by using RNA-Seq	George Mason University
Victoria R. Broadus Gerson Nordlinger Award in the Arts	Deciphering 'Vissungos' in Diamantina, Brazil	Georgetown University
Mary DePascale	Promoting Children's Early Mathematical and Statistical Understanding through Parent-Child Math Games	University of Maryland, College Park
Matthew T. Gabay	Music Printing in Nuremberg during the Long Seventeenth Century: The Endter Printing Dynasty	The Catholic University of America
Yuan Gao	White Gold in the Oases: Cotton, Economy, and Environment on China and Russia's Eurasian frontier, 1877- 1917	Georgetown University
Kelsey A. Hauser	Through thick and skin: Defining the antifungal roles of cutaneous granulocytes in the face of amphibian declines	The George Washington University
Christopher Hossack Neilom Foundation Meritorious Award in Technology and Science	Using Lanthanide Luminescence to Design Better Quantum Computers	The George Washington University

Alya Kalkattwi	Preventing Bacteria from Causing Disease by Understanding How Bacteria Survive After Human Infection	The Catholic University of America
Savannah Kounelis- Wuillaume Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	Determining the role of astrocyte- specific chemokine secretion in traumatic brain injury pathology	Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
Debbie K. Ledezma	Interstitial photothermal therapy as a novel strategy to treat neuroblastoma	The George Washington University
Daniel Levy	Investigating the scalability and bioactivity of induced pluripotent stem cell-derived extracellular vesicles as a regenerative medicine therapeutic.	University of Maryland, College Park
Shican Li	How a Flagellated Pathogen Survives in the Viscoelastic Host Mucus	Georgetown University
Yaprak Ozakman	Deciphering How Host Immune Response Shapes Mycobacterial Evolution	The George Washington University
Leena Pade	Uncovering signaling involved in neural development using mass spectrometry	University of Maryland, College Park
Dylan A. Proctor	Livestock and Dead Meat: Africa in the Global Dissemination of the Foot-and-Mouth Disease Virus, XIX-XX Centuries	Georgetown University
Pooja Sharma Joseph McLaughlin Meritorious Award in Biomedical Science	Deciphering molecular details of breast cancer cell growth and drug resistance	The Catholic University of America
Matthew Timmerman	Archival Analysis of British Foreign Office Material from the 1960s	American University
Nicole Y. Wagner Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Exploring the Depths of Antarctic Lake Untersee	Georgetown University
Samantha R. White	Learning to Choose: investigating the role of corticostriatal circuits in learning and decision making	American University
Abbey R. Yatsko	If a tree rots in the forest: Linking deadwood decay to greenhouse gas emissions	The George Washington University
Gamze Yavuzer Joan Ridder Challinor Meritorious Award for Overall Excellence	Legal Pluralism in Family Law: Muslim and Christian Families in Seventeenth-Century Istanbul	University of Maryland, College Park

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Natalie Barsoum Gerson Nordlinger Award in the Arts	Quand tu chants, bercée le soir entre mes bras: The Influence of Victor Hugo on Romantic Art Song	The Catholic University of America	
Madeleine A. Becker	Channel Island Peromyscus Evolutionary Genomics	George Mason University	
C.C. Borzilleri	Printed Ladies: The Personal and Professional Lives of Women Printers/Publishers in the Early American Republic	The George Washington University	
Marcus Chua	A re-evaluation of the systematics and conservation status of chevrotains (Cetartiodactyla: Tragulidae) using novel approaches	George Mason University	
Martin Dale-Hench	Intuitions of native Japanese Sign Language users on mouthing words with multiple pronunciations	Gallaudet University	
Tyson S. Dawson	Testing the Viral Fossil Hypothesis in Lupus To Shed Light on Pathogenesis	The George Washington University	
Natalie Donnell	Princesses Étrangères: Women and Politics between France and the Spanish Low Countries	Georgetown University	
Amelia Espinosa	Tropical Destinations or Hazardous Homes?: A Study of Socio-Economic Integration of Migrant Populations in Panama and Costa Rica	Georgetown University	
Raychel Gordon	Pointing Out the Connections Between Children's Math Knowledge, Executive Function Components, and Use of Gesture Based Strategies in Arithmetic Problem Solving.	University of Maryland, College Park	
Erin E. Grundy	Combining repetitive element-specific T cells with epigenetic therapy to treat ovarian cancer	The George Washington University	
Katie S. Hummel	Somatic Therapies for Memory Improvement: Gamma Entrainment and the Aging Brain	Georgetown University	
Maurice C. Johnson Jr.	Improving Health Outcomes by Addressing Social Determinants: Evidence from Medicaid's Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) Program	George Mason University	
Erica Lally	Surveilling Citizens: The American Protective League, 1917-1920	Georgetown University	
Jonathan E. LoTempio Jr	On the production, use, and sharing of global genomic data	The George Washington University	

Khanh Ly	A microfluidic tissue culture model of oral mucositis associated with cancer treatment	The Catholic University of America
Armen Manuk-Khaloyan	Perfecting the Imperial Modern: Ottoman Armenians at the Twilight of Empire, 1900-1914	Georgetown University
Tianna L. Mobley	Legal Personalities of Early Modern Afro-Colombians in the Spanish Atlantic	Georgetown University
Jarin Taslem Mourosi Joseph McLaughlin Meritorious Award in Biomedical Science	Designing a Tetravalent Dengue Vaccine by CRISPR Engineering of Bacteriophage T4 Nanoparticles	The Catholic University of America
Kristina N. Nicholas	Comparative Analysis of Fluoranthene, Napthalene, Pyrene, Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane (D5), and 2,4,6,8- Tetramethylcyclotetrasiloxane (2468) in Anacostia and Potomac Watershed Locations	American University
Jensen A. Palmer	Cholinergic mediation of reward-based action in medial frontal cortex	American University
Darby L. Pochtar	Do zombies eat less and get eaten more? The effects of castrating parasites on a host crab's diet and predation risk	George Mason University
Tyler M. Rippel Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	The Ecology of Salt Marshes in an Era of Interacting Global Change Factors	Georgetown University
Stephanie A. Schmidt	Measuring wetland soil colors using the Munsell Soil Color Chart and the Nix Color Sensor as a method to assess wetland structure and function in the Washington metropolitan area	George Mason University
Henry C. Stevens	Project Redstart: A full annual cycle approach to studying migratory birds	Georgetown University
Martina V. Thorne Joan Ridder Challinor Meritorious Award for Overall Excellence	The Birth of Ornithology and the Production of Science in the New World: A New System to Navigate Through the Air Taken From the Observation of Birds (ca. 1760s)	Georgetown University
Joyce Woo Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	Coordinating Midbrain Inhibitory Circuits during Reward Learning	Georgetown University

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Kira Ashton	The impact of early linguistic context on visual object representation	American University	
Lauren R. Bassaro	RAB17 Suppresses Progression of Liver Cancer	The Catholic University of America	
Diogo R. Bercito	The Forgotten Library: Excavating Untapped Arabic Sources at Clube Homs	Georgetown University	
Yimei Cai	The function of human Autism Spectrum Disorder genes in various behaviors.	Georgetown University	
Pamela A. Chansky	Building an In Silico Model of Virus- Specific T-Cell Therapy	The George Washington University	
Samantha Chin Joseph McLaughlin Meritorious Award in Biomedical Science	Enhancing Chimeric Antigen Receptor T (CAR T) cell therapy for solid tumors using nanoparticle-based photothermal therapy	The George Washington University	
Zoe E. Copeman	The Mastectomy Model: A Venus in Parts	University of Maryland, College Park	
Jeanne Michelle Datiles	Sisters of the North: Kinship, Religion, and Memory and the Women of Catholic Yorkshire, 1553-1642	The Catholic University of America	
Melissa A. DeLury	(Re)presentation of violent events in Northern Irish history textbooks: A comparative study	George Mason University	
Katelyn Dial Henry H. Work Meritorious Award in Science	5HT2A Agonists for the Treatment of Alzheimer's Associated Dementias	Georgetown University	
Anne Dobberteen Gerson Nordlinger Award in the Arts	Aerial Visions and Views of Washington, DC, 1880 1970	George Mason University	
Laura B. Fretwell	Construction and Destruction: Forgetting the Freed at Chimborazo Park	George Mason University	
Juan Fernando Gomez Lopez	Enhancing the impact of microcredit on family income through a participatory approach: The Poverty Stoplight as a complement to a microfinance program in Paraguay	Georgetown University	
Shriyam Gupta	Will you be my friend?: Assessing Friendship Networks in Desegregated Schools in India	University of Maryland, College Park	
Andrew S. Hagopian	Bordering Outer Space: Norms, Practice, and Law	American University	
Mara Heilig Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award	Disruption of a key ecological adaptation to control an invasive vector mosquito	Georgetown University	

Alena James	Expression of Toxin protein from Francisella tularensis Toxin-Antitoxin system	George Mason University
Dillon F. Leet	The role of pharmaceutical manufacturer diversification on the end of the 2003 Northern Nigeria polio vaccine boycott	Georgetown University
Caroline A. Maguire Joan Ridder Challinor Meritorious Award for Overall Excellence	Decolonizing Knowledge: Reclaiming Colonial Museums in Francophone North and West Africa	University of Maryland, College Park
Summer Paulson	In vivo microglial complement sensing and the cytoskeleton	Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
Cassandra Philippon	How Women Adapt to Incarceration: Virtual Interviews Examining Adaptation, Relationships, And Gender Inside a Women's Prison	University of Maryland, College Park
Dylan V. Scarton	Development and Characterization of Conductive, DNA-Based Hydrogels for Peripheral Nerve Regeneration	George Mason University
Shrey A. Shah	Sustained-release microneedles for modulating the skin immune niche for immunotherapy	University of Maryland, College Park
Bowen Shen	Cellular heterogeneity: When do the differences start?	University of Maryland, College Park
Austin N. Smith	Fidgetin-like 2 downregulation improves the microglial response to spinal cord injury	Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
Jingwen Zheng Neilom Foundation Meritorious Award in Technology and Science	The Economic Effects of Building Height Restrictions: Causal Evidence from the Closure of Kai Tak Airport in Hong Kong	The George Washington University