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GRADUATE STUDENTS

Jeannie Bailey received a UWRA Fellowship in Aging (awarded for winter 2015) to work on her research looking at the effects of caloric restriction on the rate and severity of spinal osteoarthritis, as well as her dissertation work on women's health pertaining to sex differences in lumbar spine form and function.

Hilary Bethancourt was awarded a NICHD (Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development) training fellowship from the Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology. The fellowship will support her in the coming academic year to work with a number of CSDE faculty affiliates on projects that will help her to expand her research skills and improve the study design of her PhD dissertation project on the health effects of periodic dietary restrictions among Eastern Orthodox Christians in the United States.

Darren Byler has been awarded a Mellon International Dissertation Research Fellowship (IDRF) from the Social Science Research Council for his proposed project, “The Art of Life at the Margins of Ürümchi: Urban Revision in Chinese Central Asia.” He is one of 80 IDRF awardees, selected from a total of 1,081 submitted applications from graduate students at 131 universities.

Jen Carroll was nominated for the Patricia Cross Future Leaders Award (given by the American Association of Colleges and Universities) and was selected as a finalist.

Anna Cohen received a Dissertation Improvement Grant from the National Science Foundation for her project “Regime Development in the Lake Pátzcuaro Basin, Mexico.” During the fall of 2013, she was also awarded a Pre-Doctoral Residency at Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection in Washington, DC.

Julius Doyle has been awarded an NSF Graduate Fellowship for his graduate study that proposes to measure the association of maternal allostatic load with poor infant health outcomes (low birth weight, fetal loss, etc.). He also received an Honorable Mention for his Ford Foundation Fellowship application.

Erik Gjesfjeld, graduate student in archaeology, has been awarded a one-year postdoctoral fellowship in the Institute of Society and Genetics at UCLA.

Marlaine Figueroa Gray, graduate student in sociocultural anthropology, was awarded a Humanities Scholarship (Chester William Fritz Scholarship) from the College of Arts and Sciences, Humanities division, for her dissertation research on alternative palliative care and art programming in US hospitals.

P. Joshua Griffin (Griff) has been awarded a Huckabay teaching fellowship to work with David Battisti and Steve Harrell in developing an interdisciplinary course on "The Meaning of Climate Change." He has also been awarded a Summer Digital Humanities Commons Research Fellowship from the Simpson Center for the Humanities. The award will support his work on “Archiving the Future: Politics and Possibilities for Climate-Induced Relocation in Northwest Alaska.” He was also awarded a 2013-14 UW Arctic Research Fellowship based on his proposal, "Beyond 'Vulnerability': Community Resilience, Interdisciplinary Research, and Climate Adaptation Policy in the Emerging Arctic."

Celso Inguane received a Wenner-Gren Wadsworth Fellowship for his graduate studies and research. His research will be an ethnographic study of strategies and resources that different social actors use to provide continued care for people with HIV in Mozambique. This will include working with people in HIV care, healthcare workers, NGOs, multilateral and bilateral organizations, the Mozambican government, and networks of social support.
Leah Isquith was offered a summer (2013) internship with PATH (Program for Appropriate Technology in Health) working on a project to introduce a new non-invasive technology for anemia screening in Ghana and South Africa. She traveled to both countries to conduct interviews on the acceptability and feasibility of the tool. She was also awarded a Mortar Board Fellowship for members pursuing postgraduate studies. Mortar Board is the premier national honor society recognizing college seniors for superior achievement in scholarship, leadership and service.

Lisbeth Louderback, graduate student in archaeology, received the Graduate School Presidential Dissertation Fellowship for 2013-14. Her dissertation title is "The Ecology of Diet Breadth during the Middle and Early Holocene at North Creek Rockshelter, Utah". She also accepted a joint tenure-track position as Curator of Archaeology at the Natural History Museum of Utah and Assistant Professor in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Utah.


Graham Pruss received an NSF Fellowship for his graduate work with vehicular residents in the Seattle area. He is also the Safe Parking Program Outreach Coordinator for the City of Seattle and the Project Coordinator, Project on Family Homelessness, and Research Fellow, Vehicle Residency Research Program at Seattle University.

Shanna Scherbinske has been awarded a 2014 National Security Education Program (NSEP) David L. Boren Fellowship for her dissertation research. Her topic is Somali refugee resettlement across the globe, focusing especially on Dadaab, Kenya and resettlement from Kenya to the United States. She is particularly interested in the post-resettlement connections these immigrants maintain with eastern Africa, and the ways these connections shape their lives in the US/Seattle.

Michele Statz was awarded an American Association of University Women dissertation write-up award for her work on undocumented underage Chinese youth and the US justice system. She was also awarded a Chester William Fritz Humanities Scholarship for the academic year 2013-14.

Rob Tennyson has been awarded an NSF Honorable Mention for the Graduate Research Fellowship Program. His research proposal focused on investigating the pathways through which early psychosocial stress can lead to adverse long-term and intergenerational health outcomes in humans.

Lauryl Zenobi was awarded a summer 2014 FLAS as well as a 2014-15 academic year FLAS to study Indonesian.

Kate Zyskowski received a Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad and American Institute of Indian Studies Junior Fellowship for her dissertation fieldwork in Hyderabad, India: “New Muslim.”

**UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS**

Hau'oli Kikaha was nominated for the [Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar Award](#) [2].

John Timu was selected for a Brett E. Baldwin Memorial Scholarship.

Kayla Worthey received a Mary Gates Research Scholarship as well as a Brett E. Baldwin Memorial Scholarship.

Nicolle Esparo, whose majors are anthropology and biochemistry, was selected as a 2014 recipient of the Bonderman Travel Fellowship.

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Ty Afenir (BA 2013) was drafted by the Yankees in June.

Cheryll Alipio (PhD 2009) recently accepted a three-year position as Lecturer in the Anthropology Program at the University of Queensland in Australia.

Samuel Anderson (BA 2000) received a Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship. He is a doctoral candidate in Culture and Performance at the University of California, Los Angeles. Mr. Anderson's
dissertation project, *Celebrity, Violence, and the Mystic Arts in Postwar Sierra Leone*, tours post-war Sierra Leone with ex-combatants as they perform mystic acts advocating reconciliation and cultural reconstruction.

Kaitlin Banfill (BA 2012) received a Fulbright student scholarship for 2013-14. She will be affiliated with Sichuan University, and will be conducting fieldwork on the educational careers of young people from poor minority communities in China’s three-year vocational and technical colleges.

Emily Brunson’s (PhD 2010) dissertation research on childhood vaccinations in the US made headlines in several news venues [3].

Coleen Carrigan (PhD 2013) accepted a tenure track position in the Social Sciences Department at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo for 2014. The position is an innovative, boundary-spanning tenure-track position in gender, race, culture, science and technology.

Leonard Forsman (BA 1987), chairman of the Suquamish Tribe and director of the Suquamish Museum, was named by President Obama to serve on the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation [4].

David Nolin (PhD 2008) joined the Department of Anthropology at Boise State University in 2012 as a Visiting Assistant Professor. His research in Indonesia focuses on food sharing and the evolution of cooperation, marriage and reproductive delay, and intergenerational transmission of wealth.

Nicole Torres (PhD 2013) was offered a two-year NIMH postdoctoral research fellowship at Harborview Medical Center. She is working at the Center for Healthcare Improvement for Addictions, Mental Illness, and Medically Vulnerable Populations (CHAMMP).

Ben Trumble (PhD 2012) published an article in *Evolution and Human Behavior* that has received a bit of press [5].

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