

August 2016 Acknowledgements
College of Liberal Arts

Congratulations:

Yongmei Lu (GEO) and co-author Dr. Bing Xu from Tsinghua University in China have been selected to receive the Elsevier Atlas Award for their article “Impact of Climate Change on Human Infectious Diseases: Empirical Evidence and Human Adaptation,” which was published by *Environment International*.

Joseph Kotarba (SOCI) presented the keynote address at the Seventh Annual Conference of the European Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction in Topola, Bulgaria, on July 7, 2016. His presentation was titled “The Theoretical Intersection of Science and Music.”

Injeong Jo (GEO) received National Council on Geographic Education’s Centennial E. Willard and Ruby S. Miller Grant for her research entitled, “Effect of Learning GIS on Students’ Progression in Geospatial Concepts Understanding.” This is a one-time special grant to celebrate NCGE’s 100 years of service to enhance geography education at all levels.

Donald Inbody (POSI) has been selected to serve on the Board of Advisors for the U.S. Vote Foundation for his military and election law expertise and experience.

Congratulations to the following faculty who received awards and accolades at this year’s Liberal Arts Fall Faculty Meeting on August 26:

GOLDEN APPLE AWARDS

- Teaching: **Stephanie Noll** (ENG), **Steven Wilson** (ENG), **Ronald Johnson** (HIST)
- Scholarly/Creative: **Krista Howard** (PSY), **Nathan Pino** (SOCI)
- Service: **Jeffrey Helgeson** (HIST), **Shirley Ogletree** (PSY)

PRESIDENTIAL DISTINCTION AWARDS

- Teaching: **Stephanie Noll** (ENG), **Steven Wilson** (ENG), **Ronald Johnson** (HIST), **Elizabeth Makowski** (HIST)
- Scholarly/Creative: **Daniel Westcott** (ANTH), **Jose Carlos de la Puente** (HIST), **Krista Howard** (PSY), **Nathan Pino** (SOCI)
- Service: **Paul Cohen** (ENG), **Jeffrey Helgeson** (HIST), **Donald Inbody** (POSI), **Shirley Ogeltree** (PSY)

COLLEGE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

- Teaching: **Paul DeHart** (POSI), **Emily Hanks** (POSI), **Sarah Angulo** (PSY), **Carmen Westerberg** (PSY), **Robert Price** (SOCI), **Gloria Martinez-Ramos** (SOCI)
- Scholarly/Creative: **Katie Kapurch** (ENG), **Octavio Pimentel** (ENG), **Yongmei Lu** (GEO), **Russell Weaver** (GEO), **Michelle Evans** (POSI), **Paul Kens** (POSI)
- Service: **Chad Hammett** (ENG), **David Butler** (GEO), **Rebecca Montgomery** (HIST), **Yasmine Beale-Rosano-Rivaya** (MODL), **Kayla Hill** (MODL)

OTHER AWARDS

- Excellence in Part-Time Teaching: **Carla Greszler-Gomez** (MODL)
- Excellence in Grant/Contract Funding: **Nathan Curritt** (GEO), **Jennifer Jensen** (GEO)
- Development Funding: **Gary Hartman** (HIST)

- Excellence in Mentoring: **Patti Guiffre** (SOCI)
- Excellence in Diversity Award: **Gloria Martinez-Ramos** (SOCI)
- Everette Swinney Teaching Excellence Award: **Shirley Ogletree** (PSY)
- Distinguished Professor Emeritus: **Miles Wilson** (ENG), **Robert Larsen** (GEO)
- Honorary Professor of International Studies: **Mary Brennan** (HIST), **Frank de la Teja** (HIST), **Dennis Dunn** (HIST), **Andrea Golato** (MODL), **John Davis** (PSY)

TENURE AND PROMOTION

- Tenure: **Jason Julian** (GEO)
- Tenure/Promotion to Associate Professor: **Suparno Banerjee** (ENG), **Joseph Falocco** (ENG), **Scott Mogull** (ENG), **Jose Carlos de la Puente** (HIST), **Jeffrey Helgeson** (HIST), **Ronald Johnson** (HIST), **John Mckiernan** (HIST), **Jessica Pliley** (HIST), **Michelle Evans** (POSI), **Emily Hanks** (POSI), **Krista Howard** (PSY)
- Promotion to Professor: **Christina Conlee** (ANTH), **Octavio Pimentel** (ENG), **Pinfan Zhu** (ENG), **Angela Murphy** (HIST), **Jorge Yuri Porras** (MODL), **Chad Smith** (SOCI).

FACULTY RETIREMENTS

- **Robert Larsen** (GEO), **Alan Atchison** (HIST), **Robert Fischer** (MODL)

FACULTY YEARS OF SERVICE:

- 10 years: **Kerrie Graham** (ANTH), **Neil Hadder** (ANTH), **Michael Noll** (ENG), **Ronald Hagelman** (GEO), **Osvaldo Muniz** (GEO), **Trace Etienne-Gray** (HIST), **Angela Murphy** (HIST), **Yasmine Beale-Rosano-Rivaya** (MODL), **Gloria Velasquez** (MODL), **Rebekah Ross** (PHIL), **Paul Wilson** (PHIL), **Nandhini Rangarajan** (POSI), **Natalie Ceballos** (PSY), **Joseph Etherton** (PSY), **Marilyn Gibbons-Arhelger** (PSY), **Marilyn Gibbons-Arhelger** (PSY), **Kyong Hee Chee** (SOCI), **Nathan Pino** (SOCI)
- 15 Years: **Yongmei Lu** (GEO), **Maria Diocares** (MODL), **Craig Hanks** (PHIL), **Lynn Crossett** (POSI), **Randall Osborne** (PSY), **Debarum Majumdar** (PSY), **Kelly Mosel-Talavera** (SOCI), **Toni Watt** (SOCI)
- 20 Years: **Rebecca Jackson** (ENG), **Teya Rosenberg** (ENG), **Lucy Harney** (MODL)
- 25 Years: **Mark Busby** (ENG), **Richard Earl** (GEO), **Frank de la Teja** (HIST), **Cecilia Castillo** (POSI)
- 30 Years: **Robin Cohen** (ENG), **Catherine Jaffe** (MODL)
- 35 Years: **James Garber** (ANTH), **Rebecca Bell-Metereau** (ENG), **Michael Hennessy** (ENG)
- 40 Year: **Vincent Luizzi** (PHIL), **Dean Geuras** (PHIL)

In the News:

EXTERNAL VENUES

Yongmei Lu (GEO) was interviewed in a story about climate change and infectious diseases on the KVUE nightly news. <http://www.kvue.com/news/health/study-climate-change-can-affect-the-spread-of-infectious-diseases/281961345>

Chris Johnson (SOCI) is featured in the August-September edition of *Community Impact* regarding his appointment as chair of the 9th Annual Hays County Alzheimer's Texas Walk. The article also highlights the Aging and Dementia Studies program and his role in helping DEVELOP the program.

Bill DeSoto (POSI) was interviewed in a story about the result of recent polling in Texas by Time Warner Cable News. <http://www.twcnews.com/tx/austin/news/2016/08/18/poll-finds-3-in-5-texan-trump-voters-favor-secession--over-clinton-presidency-.html>

UNIVERSITY STAR

Ed Mihalkanin (POSI) is featured in an article about his campaign to return to the San Marcos City Council (8/29)

HILLVIEWS (Summer 2016)

Deborah Harris and **Patti Giuffre** (SOCl) were highlighted in an article about their award-winning book, *Taking the Heat: Women Chefs and Gender Inequality in the Professional Kitchen*.

Craig Hanks (PHIL) was featured for his collaborative work on the nationally recognized NanoTRA program.

Anthropology Alumna **Jill Pruetz** was interviewed for her groundbreaking chimpanzee research in Senegal.

Psychology graduate **Alyssa Ojeda** is featured in an article about her prestigious neurology internship and research position at The University of Texas.