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Greetings!

At the end of this semester, I find myself extremely proud of the work we have accomplished within the College of Social & Behavioral Sciences. Higher education continues to face a variety of challenges that do not have any simple answers. Despite this reality, I remain confident that we will continue to thrive through the countless and daily efforts of our faculty and staff to ensure our students' success.



Although many of these achievements may feel that they go unnoticed, I am pleased to see CSBS faculty and staff receive well-deserved awards from across campus this spring. Please join me in congratulating each of the awardees noted within this edition of Kudos as well as those receiving promotions.

We additionally saw a large number of CSBS students receive awards this semester, which is another testament to your care and support. Thank you for all that you do to make their time here at UNI so impactful.

As the 2022-23 academic year comes to a close, I wish you a fun, relaxing and safe summer. When we return in the fall, we will welcome our new colleagues from the programs of Kinesiology, Athletic Training, Nursing and Public Health into the college's School of Health and Human Sciences. Watch for new programming and opportunities to help enrich our CSBS community throughout the next academic year.

Take care,

Brenda L. Bass

Kenneth Atkinson (history) published "Academic Work as Factory Work," in *Journal of Working-Class Studies*; "Judean Piracy, Judea and Parthia, and the Roman Annexation of Judea: The Evidence of Pompeius Trogus," in *Electrum*; and "Understanding Hellenistic and Roman History in the Dead Sea Scrolls," in *The Dead Sea Scrolls in the Context of Hellenistic Judea* (Brill).

Tatiana Degai, John DeGroot, Andrey Petrov, Stanislav Ksenofontov and **Mark Welford** (geography) and co-authors published "Indigenous Health Care Sovereignty Defines Resilience to the Pandemic" in *The Lancet*.

PROMOTIONS



Gary Gute
Promotion to Professor



Jiuqing Cheng
Promotion to Associate Professor with Academic Tenure

WELCOME!

Tatiana Degai, John DeGroot, Andrey Petrov, Stanislav Ksenofontov and Mark Welford (geography) and co-authors published "Counting Resilience in When Assessing Pandemic Risk in Arctic North America: An Example of Alaska" in the *British Medical Journal – Global Health*.

Catherine DeSoto (psychology) published the book "Lies of Omission: Algorithms versus Democracy" (Skyhorse, distributed by Simon & Schuster). She was also special issue editor for "The Role of Nutrition in Understanding Anxiety and Depression," in *Nutrients*, which included her editorial "Is a Genetic Diathesis for Poor Nutrition Becoming More Crucial Due to the Uniformity of COVID Social Stress?"



Ashleigh Kysar-Moon
Promotion to Associate
Professor with Academic Tenure



Gloria Stafford
Promotion to Associate
Professor with Academic Tenure

Ramona McNeal (political science) presented the papers "Disclosure and campaign finance information: Agenda setting and election laws after Citizens United" at the Annual Midwest Political Science Association Meeting in Chicago on April 13-16, 2023 (with M. Schmeida), and "Cyberviolence against women and girls: Policy response from a gendered viewpoint" at the Annual Midwest Political Science Association Meeting in Chicago on April 13-16, 2023 (with S. Kunkle).



Lisa Tabor
Promotion to Associate
Professor with Academic Tenure



Alysa Mozak joined UNI as the new director of the Patricia A. Tomson Center for Violence Prevention (PATCVP) in Aug. 2022.

In her new role, Mozak oversees curriculum infusion of bystander education and strategies within pre-service teacher education and social sciences programming, as well as the implementation of Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP) Strategies training and outreach in and among Iowa's higher education and Pre-K-12 educational systems.

Mozak has an extensive professional background as a victim advocate and violence prevention educator in both nonprofit and higher education.

She received both her bachelor's degree in adult and family services and a Master of Science in Sociology, Women's and Gender Studies and Public Administration from Iowa State University.



FULL PROFILE
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FACULTY AWARDS



Kenneth Atkinson
James F. Lubker Research Award



Eran Hanke
Outstanding Graduate
Faculty Teaching Award



Gary Gute
2023 Veridian Community
Engagement Fellowship



Helen Harton
Outstanding Graduate
Coordinator Award



Stacye Lyman
Outstanding Graduate
Secretary Award



Michael Fleming
2023 Veridian Community
Engagement Fellowship



Nathan Taylor
UNI Outstanding Teacher Award



Sharon Mord
UF Contingent Faculty Above
and Beyond Award



Libby Fry
UF Contingent Faculty Above
and Beyond Award



Rebecca Dickinson
UF Emerging Leader Award



Brian Roberts (history) earned a Ph.D. from Rutgers University in 1995 and taught a variety of courses for the Department of History during a career that spanned two decades, including Environmental History, U. S. Popular Culture, History on Film, Labor History, Introduction to

the Study of History, and American Civilization. He supervised 37 graduate theses in History and earned the Graduate College's award for outstanding graduate mentorship three times.

His first book, "American Alchemy: The California Gold Rush and Middle-Class Culture" (2000), won awards for best work on the cultural history of the American West. His second book, "Blackface Nation: Race, Reform, and Identity in American Popular Music, 1812-1925" (2017), won the Choice Award and was a John Hope Franklin Award nominee in 2018.

Brian is working on a cultural history of hunting in the United States, tentatively titled "Killing Bambi: Sport Hunting and American Popular Culture, 1890-1970," and a textbook based on his many years of teaching the department's undergraduate methods course.



Clemens Bartollas' (criminology) legacy will no doubt be his work as the original creator of the UNI criminology and criminal justice program. From scratch, he built the first criminology degree program in Iowa that evolved into the best undergraduate criminology and criminal justice program in the Upper Midwest and one ranked among the top 20 in the United States.

The program has seen many changes over the decades but the one constant has been Clem, whose vision never deviated from the program's core focus on students and training them to become the very best possible scholars and practitioners in the field. Clem has trained thousands of students over the years and a very high proportion of them have gone on to earn advanced degrees. An even larger number of Clem's students became professionals and major figures in criminal justice, law enforcement, corrections and community services. His proteges are found throughout the nation, from rural police departments to the FBI, DEA and other federal agencies.

Clem also distinguished himself with his extensive and innovative research career and his massive publication record. Clem took on research in corrections and criminology that his peers lacked the courage to pursue, including research with active and imprisoned gang members. From this research and leadership in the field Clem published a small library of scholarly books, articles, monographs and textbooks, of which *Juvenile Justice in America* and *Juvenile Delinquency* remain the standard texts in the university curriculum.



IN MEMORIAM



Jonathan Lu, 95, of Cedar Falls, died Thursday, February 9, 2023, at his home.

Jonathan was born May 5, 1927, in Puli Village, China, the son of Lu Yong Fu and Yang Bao Cong. He came to the United States in 1956 and attended the Asbury Theological Seminary, the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Ohio State University, and earned his Ph.D. in Geography from the University of Washington. On September 1, 1961, he was united in marriage to Sayoko Utagawa from Japan. He began his career teaching at Humboldt State College. The family moved

to Cedar Falls in 1973 where he taught geography at the University of Northern Iowa and co-founded the Biblical Geography section of the American Geographic Society.

He retired from UNI in 1992 and accepted the position as president of Holy Light Theological Seminary in Taiwan where he became an ordained minister. He continued to teach and preach the gospel until the age of 93.

Thomas M. Fogarty of Cedar Falls died at home on January 21, 2023, of Alzheimer's disease. At the time of his death he was professor emeritus of geography and public policy at the University of Northern Iowa, having retired in 2012.

He was born in Providence, RI, on November 1, 1946, the oldest child of Thomas M. and Mary I. (McGrath) Fogarty. He was educated in Christian Brothers schools in Rhode Island and New York. He graduated Summa cum laude from Catholic University in 1969, where he received a number of honors, among them College Scholar, Phi Beta Kappa, and Valedictorian. He was awarded an M.A. from Georgetown University in 1973 and a Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1978.

In 1972, he met his future wife, Mary T. Ramsey, on a study abroad program at Oxford University. They married in 1974 in Charleston, WV, and took up residence in Philadelphia, where he was pursuing his Ph.D. They had no children.

In 1979 he was appointed assistant Professor of Regional Science and Conflict Analysis at the University of Pennsylvania, and was active in South Asia regional studies, urban studies, and the undergraduate honors program. In 1985, he joined the geography department at Colgate University, continuing his interdisciplinary interests through South Asian studies, economics, peace studies, and the general education program. In 1989, he moved to the University of Northern Iowa to join the geography department and to establish a public policy program, which he directed for four years, and in which he taught until he retired. He was a member of the economics seminar, and taught in the general education program.

While teaching was his principal focus, he participated in numerous development projects and research. He was a visiting professor at universities in India and Russia. He was a member of international committees for projects in Egypt, Argentina, India and Nigeria.

He also served on the board of directors of the Aldo Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture at Iowa State University.

He had numerous interests outside of his professional life, including art and music, hiking, canoeing and bird watching. He enjoyed exploring new places, cuisines and languages. He read widely in history, the sciences, public affairs, literature and fiction, including detective fiction, of which he had an extensive collection. He enjoyed many friendships, was a good cook and a very good storyteller.

Gerontology's Dementia Simulation House featured on Talk of Iowa

Elaine Eshbaugh and gerontology students were featured on Iowa Public Radio's Talk of Iowa program in April 2023. The segment followed host Charity Nebbe's through the Dementia Simulation House and highlighted the impact of the experience.



READ/LISTEN | bit.ly/DemSim-TalkofIowa

Phi Alpha Theta / History Lecture Series

The Department of History and Phi Alpha Theta hosted three lectures during the spring 2023 semester: "Freedom Rides: The Creation & Development of the MLK Freedom Bus Tour," by Rev. Abraham L. Funchess, Jr., pastor/bldg administrator, Jubilee UMC Freedom Center and director, Waterloo Human Rights Commission; the 49th Annual Carl L. Becker Memorial Lecture, "Travelers, Trade & Transportation: The Trials of Mary Squires, Susanne Wells & Elizabeth Canning, 1753-1754," by Dana Rabin, professor and chair, Department of History, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; and "Inclusion of Italian Victims in the Study of Lynching in The United States," by Gabrielle Greco, history graduate student.

Department of Military Science Exceeds \$10,000 PAWprint Crowdfunding Campaign

The Department of Military Science held a successful PAWprint crowdfunding campaign in spring 2023. A total of \$13,200 was raised, exceeding their \$10,000 goal, with funds going towards professional development opportunities for ROTC cadets.



STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

2023 Student Leadership Awards

The following CSBS students and organizations took home high honors:

Panther Pantry Award

ROTC

Sierra Mathison (family services)

Boots to Book Scholarship

Madison Pleggenkuhle (family services)

Caroline Linde (clinical mental health counseling)

Drake Martin Gold Star Award

Desirae Shelton (clinical mental health counseling)

Tienna Trettin (psychology)

Newman Civic Fellow Award

Lexi Gause (social work)

Promising Young Alumni Award

Caleb Gehle (history)

Rising Global Star Leader Award

Gracie Touvelle (school counseling)

Outstanding Officer in a Student Organization Award

Payton Ahrenstorff (social work)

Diversity Matters Award

Azra Papakee (social work)

Dr. Charlotte West Scholar-Athlete Award

Carly Spies (gerontology)

Outstanding Student Leader Award

Parker Daniels (public administration)

Trevor Meyers (history)

Servant Leadership Award

Samantha Adams (interior design)

Lexi Gause (social work)

Mary Ann Bolton Undergraduate Research Award

Lydia Berns-Schweingruber (sociology): "An Analysis of the Relationship Between K-12 Public Education Spending and Student Academic Achievement in Iowa" (first prize)

Elizabeth Tulley (history): "Breaking the Marble Ceiling: Constructing Athena in Greek Thought" (runner up)

Students Present at the Iowa Sociological Association

Sociology majors **Christian Kreger**, **Cassidy Byrnes** and **Erna Mehmedovic** presented original research at the Iowa Sociological Association meeting in April 2023.

Byrnes was awarded the 2023 ISA Stephen Wieting paper award for Integrating Theory and Research; and Mehmedovic received the 2023 ISA B. Keith Crew Outstanding Poster Award.

UNI Geography Students Present at American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting

Students in the Department of Geography joined geographers from around the world to present at the American Association of Geographers (AAG) Annual Meeting in Denver, CO.



READ MORE | bit.ly/GeoMeeting

Community Engagement Celebration Day

Research-Based Project

Kieran Luedke (psychology): "Perceived Parental Support of Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming (TGNC) Emerging Adults: A Moderator of Minority Stress, Internalizing Disorders, and Substance Use"

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



Shantel Kahrs, '17 (social science teaching) received the 2023 Gold Star Award for Outstanding Teaching, presented by KWWL and the R.J. McElroy Trust Foundation. Kahrs is currently teaching 7th Grade Social Studies at Peet Junior High.



Josh Wilson, '12 (political communication) was named one of Cedar Valley's 20 under 40 by the Waterloo/Cedar Falls Courier for 2023, and profiled in InsideUNI. He is a senior publicist for Florida-based Otter Public Relations.



READ MORE | bit.ly/Wilson-2012



Interior Design Alumni Help Pass Important Bill for Iowa Professionals

After hundreds of hours of work by interior design leaders across the state, including four UNI alumni, Iowa Registered Interior Designers will now be qualified to stamp and sign construction drawings for the purpose of applying for a building permit, thanks to a bill signed by Governor Reynolds in April 2023. Iowa now joins many other states (including Minnesota, Illinois and Wisconsin) in providing this elevated legal standing for the profession.



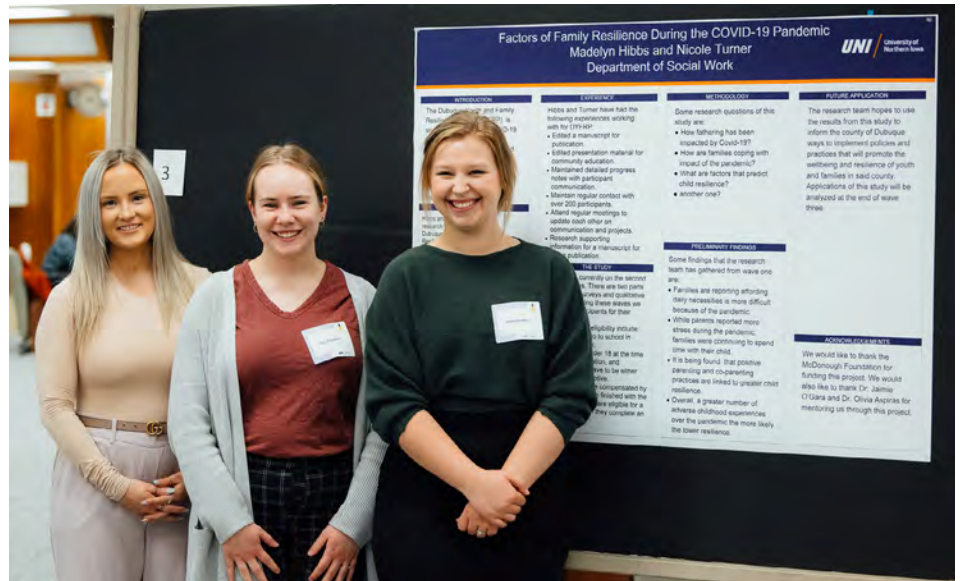
Mary Ann Bolton Award Undergraduate Research Award
1st Place



2023

Lydia Berns-Schweingruber

SNAPSHOTS





CSBS Kudos, published every semester, highlights accomplishments of faculty, students and alumni of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences and makes colleagues in the college and across campus aware of the great things being done in CSBS. By sharing these ideas, interests and contributions, we strive to sustain a sense of community.

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