



Congratulations to the 2014 Provost Awards Recipients and Scholarly Forum Winners

2014 Provost Awards Recipients

Graduate Student Engagement: **Jason Downing**, Biology. For his work with the Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden and the Miami Dade County Public Schools. Major Professor Dr. Hong Liu, Department of Earth and Environment.

Graduate Student Outstanding Creative Project: **Kelley Peters**, Chemistry. For her project titled "Development of Paper Microfluidic Devices for the Rapid, On-Site Detection of Improvised Explosive Compounds". Major Professor Dr. Bruce McCord, Department of Chemistry.

Graduate Student Outstanding Paper or Manuscript STEM: **Andrew Shantz**, Biology. For his co-authored publication: Shantz, A.A., & D.E. Burkepile. In Press. Context-dependent effects of nutrient loading on the coral-algal mutualism. Ecology. Major Professor Dr. Deron Burkepile, Department of Biology.

Graduate Student Outstanding Paper or Manuscript Non-STEM: **Maria Zumaglini**, History. For her paper titled "What Every Student Should Know about Mary Mann's Translation of Facundo, or Civilization and Barbarism by Domingo Sarmiento and Mary Peabody Mann," under review by the Hispanic American Historical Review. Major Professor Dr. Bianca Premo and Dr. Mark Szuchman, Department of History.

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant: **Alan Meca**, Psychology. For educating and inspiring his undergraduate students in the department of Psychology. Major Professor Dr. Dionne Stephens, Department of Psychology.

Outstanding Graduate Program Director: **Wei-Chiang Lin**, Professor, Biomedical Engineering. For the extensive contributions he has made to the Biomedical Engineering graduate program.

Mentorship of Graduate Students: **Thomas Reio**, Associate Dean for Graduate Studies. College of Education For guidance and mentorship of graduate students within the department.

2014 Scholarly Forum Winners

Oral Presentations

Biology & Geosciences

Yosmel Sanchez-Hernandez *First Place*
Juliana Corrales *Second Place*
Deepthi Nori *Third Place*

Social Sciences (Psychology)

Andre Maharaj *First Place*
Dana Hirn *Second Place*
Alan Meca *Third Place*

Engineering

Yinchen Song *First Place*
Maryam Asghari Mooneghi *Second Place*
Mehrnoosh Mahmoudi *Third Place*

Social Sciences

Alina Nazareth *First Place*
Daniela Ottati *Second Place*
Zeila Frade *Third Place*

Physics

Purushottam Tiwari *First Place*
Trisha Ashley *Second Place*
Ramona Perez *Third Place*

Health Sciences

Sahar Ajabshir *First Place*
Rana Jaber *Second Place*
Joel Exebio *Third Place*

Chemistry

Kelley Peters *First Place*
Alan McKenzie *Second Place*
Michelle Cerreta *Third Place*

Humanities

David Vitt *First Place*
Seth Manthey *Second Place*
Svetlana Tyutina *Third Place*

Poster Sessions

Humanities posters

Jim Harper *First Place*
Ari Nemser *Second Place*
Raed Bahelah *Third Place*

Engineering

Saman Sargolzaei *First Place*
Reza Sheykhi *Second Place*
Jin Zhu *Third Place*

Physical Sciences

Natalie Damaso *First Place*
Lauren Colón-Crespo *Second Place*
Sarah Dhalla *Third Place*

Thank You

The University Graduate School and the Graduate and Professional Student Committee would like to thank the FIU Graduate community—faculty, program directors, staff, and administrators— for your time and efforts in helping us celebrate the research and academic success of our graduate students, faculty, and mentors. A special and heartfelt THANK YOU to the 45+ faculty who volunteered their time to judge the 100+ poster and oral presentations. Thanks to your contributions, we were able to make this yet another successful year for GSAW!

Graduate Events

APA Guidelines for Reference List Construction and Reference Components

Tuesday, April 15, 2014
4:00 pm and 6:00 pm
ZEB 232

UGS Deadlines

Final ETD Approval Form Deadline

Friday, April 18, 2014

Deadline to Enter Summer 2014 GA Contracts

Friday, April 11, 2014

Deadline to Apply for University-Wide Scholarship (Graduate Students)

Friday, April 11, 2014
<http://scholarships.fiu.edu>

Deadline to Submit the Annual Student Evaluation and Mentoring Plan Form

Friday, May 30, 2014

UGS Graduate Admissions Deadlines

Please click [here](#)

