**Spring 2015 Awards**

**Art and Art History Department**
Faculty Sponsor: JeanAnn Dabb
Student: **Alyssa Hughes** - Herrad of Hoherbourg and her Garden of Delights

Faculty Sponsor: Joseph DiBella
Student: **Marie Firth** - Portraiture and the Aesthetics of Categorization
Student: **Martha Putney** - Landscape Abstractions

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Student: **Travis Jarrells** - Context Paintings in Paris
Student: **Christine Valvo** - Light and Visual Perception

Faculty Sponsor: Rosemary Jesionowski
Student: **Jordan Kyler** - Society for Photographic Education Conference
Student: **Ashley Most** - Linoleum Block Printing

**Biological Sciences Department**
Faculty Sponsor: Rosemary Barra
Student: **Samuel Clark** - Complementary and alternative medicine in the treatment of Ewing's sarcoma

Faculty Sponsor: Theresa Grana
Student: **Anna Kania** - Silencing of Essential Genes in Free-living Nematodes Resembling Parasites
Student: **Amanda Shea** - Identifying Harmful Bacteria and Fungi Affecting the Quality of Life of Laboratory Strains of Nematodes

Faculty Sponsor: Lynn Lewis
Student: **Alexander Priest** - Identification of Inhibitors of Fatty Acid Synthesis Enzymes in Mycobacterium smegmatis
Student: **Sara Murphy** - A Study of the Anti-Viral Effects of Chloroquine and Rapamycin on Mouse Mammary Tumor Virus

Faculty Sponsor: Abbie Tomba
Students: **Teresa Nguyen, Sydney Welch, and Andrew Sanchez** - Aquatic Invertebrate Research

Faculty Sponsor: Deborah Zies
Student: **Junaid Shahid** - The Role of Aldosterone in Gas5 Gene Regulation

**Classics, Philosophy, and Religion Department**
Faculty Sponsor: Liane Houghtalin
Student: **Julie Gavin** - Mid-Atlantic Undergraduate Classics Conference Review and Admission Panel

Faculty Sponsor: Craig Vasey
Students: **Andrea Shaia, Jessie Verive, John Karellas, Katherine Carroll, Sebastian Brana, Christina Ashworth, and Mathew Hall** - UMW Mock Trial Team Regionals, UMW Mock Trial Open Round Championship, and UMW Mock Trial Team Nationals
**Earth and Environmental Sciences Department**
Faculty Sponsor: Ben Kisila
Student: Hannah Somers - Analysis of Phosphorous and Sediment fluxes in Aquia Creek, VA

Faculty Sponsor: Neil Tibert
Students: Megan Clevenger, Miles Neilson, Chris Moulton, Robert Lyle, Jillian Powers, and Tammy Prescott-Fink - Chesapeake Bay Sea Level Studies

**Economics Department**
Faculty Sponsor: Steve Greenlaw
Students: Stephanie George, William Wilkinson, Cameron Branning, and Lauren DiRago-Duncan - Eastern Economic Association annual Conference

Faculty Sponsor: Maria Apostolova
Students: Antonio Ramirez and William Wilkerson - Economics Scholars program-Federal Reserve Bank

**English, Linguistics, and Communications Department**
Faculty Sponsor: Shumona Dasgupta
Student: Chelsea Fuller - Exploring the Child Narrative in the Face of Trauma
Student: Owen McMillian - The Partition of India: Never Again

**Geography Department**
Faculty Sponsor: Melina Patterson
Student: Jacob Snyder - Geospatial Measurements of Park Access over Time: A comparison of methods and techniques
Student: Meredith Stone - The Partition of India: Never Again

**History and American Studies Department**
Faculty Sponsor: Jess Rigelhaupt
Students: Grace Mann and Ellen Peiser - "Health Care Delivery, Hospital-Based Medicine, and Narratives of Change at Mary Washington Healthcare"
Student: Abigail Fleming - "Health Care Delivery, Hospital-Based Medicine, and Narratives of Change at Mary Washington Healthcare"

**Physics Department**
Faculty Sponsor: Hai Nguyen
Student: Pengcheng Zhang - excite and detect nano particles

**Political Science and International Studies Department**
Faculty Sponsor: Rosalyn Cooperman
Student: Katherine Johnson - "Venturing into a Minefield: Employer Practices in a Post Burwell v. Hobby Lobby State"
**Psychology Department**
Faculty Sponsor: Mindy Erchull
Student: **Celeste Kelly** - Finding and Developing a Feminist Mentor: Discussion Points for Mentors and Mentees

Faculty Sponsor: Mindy Erchull and Miriam Liss
Students: **Kathleen Adragna, Katlyn Baines, Celeste Kelly, and Julia Smith** - Erotic Capital? The Relationship Between Sexualization and Leadership

Faculty Sponsor: Christine McBride
Students: **Janine Crossman, Margaret Baxter, Sarah Hickey, and Kate Tsagronis** - The Relationship between mindfulness and eating behaviors
Student: **Kate Tsagronis** - An Examination of the reliability of the Relational Modality Evaluation Scale

Faculty Sponsor: David Stahlman

Faculty Sponsor: Debra Steckler
Students: **Alesha Ballman, Brittany Simmons, Emma Leheney, Katherine Miller, Charlotte Owens, Veronica Boyd, Turner Sheehan, Jocelyn Edwards, Cierra Everette, Rachael Dearborn, Mary Phillips, Siara Rouzer Neomelani Gangi, Britta Grim, Katelyn Hedrick, Gabriela Lopez, Elizabeth Carroll, Sara Edwards, Kimberly Flores, Katie Lebling, Claire Merenda, Janine Crossman, Margaret Baxter, Sarah Hickey, Kate Tsagronis Kathleen Adragna, Katlyn Baines, Celeste Kelly, and Julia Smith** - Psychology Student and faculty travel to VPA Conference

Faculty Sponsor: Laura Wilson
Students: **Alesha Ballman, Brittany Simmons, Emma Leheney, and Katherine Miller** - Effects of gender on perceptions of sexual assault

**Sociology and Anthropology Department**
Faculty Sponsor: Debra Schleef
Student: **Heidi Laraway** - Women in Popular Music: Two Steps Forward, One Step Back

**Theatre and Dance Department**
Faculty Sponsor: Gregg Stull
Students: **Covenant Babatunde, Mason Storm Prince, and Lauren Armstrong** - Juxtaposed
Student: **Austin Bouchard** - Directing Oleanna
Student: **Judi Jackson** - Presenting at Strawhat Auditions
Student: **Jessica Lane** - Directing Aliens
Student: **Julia Wells** - Directing Desdemona