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GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

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## Congratulations, Graduates!

On May 10, the Graduate School will hold its annual convocation and confer master's and doctoral degrees on our students. In the audience and on stage will be mentors, advisers, families, partners, and friends. We will be in Avery Fisher Hall in Lincoln Center in mid-town Manhattan. Avery Fisher is a concert hall, usually home to orchestras and singers and chamber music groups. We will be creating a music of our own.

Each and every degree represents a great achievement. Whether they are in Anthropology or English or Mathematics, no matter what the field, earning them takes a major investment of time, energy, brains, will and money. Moments of exhilaration are balanced against moments of anxiety. Moments of total devotion to learning are balanced against moments of fear about what to do next with the degree. Not everyone who begins graduate study can finish it. As a result, our congratulations to our graduates - and to the people who have supported them - are genuine and deeply felt.

Like a degree in law or medicine, a graduate degree in arts and science has heft, substance, and meaning. It signifies unusual intellectual competence, the honed ability to ask new questions and seeks new answers to old ones, the capacity to learn and to teach, and finally, the ability to sift through information and to garner knowledge and, I hope, wisdom. If the medical doctor specializes in health and healing, and the lawyer in a legal system and justice, we in arts and science specialize in learning, in knowing,

in speaking to others about what we know, and in thinking things through. I believe that this specialization has never been of greater general importance, given the fact that we live in a world that can be at once so superficial and so overloaded with often trivial data, and, at the same time, a world that is so riddled with dangerous polemic and so prone to being spun like icky cotton candy.



Because of our specialization, I believe that we have special responsibilities in and to the world. I have often written in these Dean's Messages about the ethics of inquiry: absolute integrity and honesty, a commitment to intellectual complexity, a respect for others and other voices, a devotion to freedom of inquiry. We must act on these ethics. As we do so, we must realize that seeking knowledge is an intricate balancing act between the necessary imperatives of research (go as far as your mind will take you) and the ethical questions of research (how can my learning and teaching be of service?)

On May 10, we will remember the seriousness and significance of the degrees that the University is awarding and that our graduates have earned, but we will also take zestful pleasure in the accomplishment that these degrees represent. This occasion is really worth celebrating with joyful musics.

Congratulations!



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## FULBRIGHT AND FULBRIGHT-HAYS

NYU Fulbright Submission Deadline:  
Monday, September 19, 2005  
<http://www.fulbrightonline.org/us/>

NYU Fulbright-Hays Submission Deadline:  
Friday, September 30, 2005  
<http://www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/HEP/iegps/ddrap.html>

NYU students are required (1) to submit final and complete applications, including all references, transcript(s), and language proficiency evaluation(s), **no later than 5:00 PM on Monday, September 19, 2005** to:

GSAS Office of Academic and Student Life (OASL)  
One-half Fifth Avenue, Garden Level

and (2) to participate in the university's institutional review and evaluation process of students' Fulbright applications (usually early October) prior to the university's submission of applications to the IIE Fulbright Program Office.

Applicants should schedule the required interview with the NYU Campus Evaluation Committee and check regarding supplemental materials when submitting the final and completed application to OASL.

Questions, contact Associate Dean Dr. David Slocum at (212) 998-8060 or e-mail [david.slocum@nyu.edu](mailto:david.slocum@nyu.edu).

*Current undergraduate students* may participate in this program, but need to check with their respective Dean's Office, or with Dr. Michael Pippenger, at (212) 998-8140 or e-mail [michael.pippenger@nyu.edu](mailto:michael.pippenger@nyu.edu).

### NYU Workshop and Information Session

The GSAS Office of Academic and Student Life (OASL) sponsors Fulbright workshops each year to help students in their preparation of applications. To sign up, please call OASL at (212) 998-8060.

**Preliminary Fulbright Application Preparation  
Wednesday, July 13, 2:00 - 4:00 PM  
Jurow Lecture Hall, Silver Center, 1st Floor  
100 Washington Square East**

Associate Dean David Slocum, GSAS Office of Academic and Student Life and NYU Fulbright representative, will discuss and answer questions about the application process.

**Fulbright: Getting to the Specifics  
Thursday, September 8, 2:00 - 4:00 PM  
Jurow Lecture Hall, Silver Center, 1st Floor**

Institute of International Education (IIE) Fulbright's Walter Jackson will be available to discuss what different countries look for in applicants.

### IIE Guidance Session for Students

Sessions are offered through the summer and early fall at 809 United Nations Plaza (First Avenue between 45th and 46th Streets.) Check online at <http://www.fulbrightonline.org/us> for more information. Reservations are required. To confirm, contact (212) 984-5327.

Sessions below are 1:00PM to 3:00PM.

Wednesday, May 4  
Wednesday, June 8  
Wednesday, July 6\*  
Wednesday, August 3  
Wednesday, August 17\*  
Wednesday, September 7\*  
Wednesday, October 5

(\*On July 6, August 17 and September 7 only, additional sessions will be offered from 6-8pm.)

*Please note that the Fulbright US Student program, administered by the Institute for International Education, is separate from the Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad (DDRA) Program, available only to PhD students proposing advanced dissertation research, and administered by the US Department of Education. Applications for the Fulbright-Hays DDRA fellowship must be submitted through NYU.*

### **Office of Academic and Student Life (OASL) Deadlines**

One-half Fifth Avenue, Garden Level  
phone: (212) 998-8060  
e-mail: [gsas.studentlife@nyu.edu](mailto:gsas.studentlife@nyu.edu)  
website: [www.nyu.edu/gsas/OASL/](http://www.nyu.edu/gsas/OASL/)  
To Register through Torchtone: (212) 995-4747

#### **GRADUATION DEADLINES:**

June 10	Torchtone grad. appl. deadline
August 5	Preliminary Dissertation due
Sept. 16	Final Dissertation due

*There are **NO EXTENSIONS** for Final Dissertations. Please contact Ms. Cherone Slater at (212) 998-8060.*

#### **FOREIGN LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY EXAM (FLPE) DEADLINES:**

July 5	August FLPE Exam appl. due
August 12	Foreign Language Prof. Exam

## **2005 Dean's Outstanding Dissertation Prizes and the Horizon Fellowship in the Natural Sciences**

The Graduate School of Arts and Science (GSAS) recognizes outstanding doctoral dissertations. Students are nominated by their departments, and three awards - ordinarily, one each for the humanities, the social sciences, and the natural sciences - are made each year by the Dean upon the recommendation of the GSAS Honors and Awards Committee. The awards, valued at \$1,000 each, are presented at the annual GSAS Convocation ceremony in May.



### **Humanities**

*Shane Vogel*, Performance Studies  
"When the Little Dawn Was Grey":  
Cabaret Performance and the  
Harlem Renaissance

Shane's research shows how the Harlem Renaissance authors (1920s-1930s) used the cabaret to interrogate and elaborate representations of

African American identity.

### **Social Sciences**

*Joshua Humphreys*, French Studies  
Servants of Social Progress: Democracy, Capitalism and  
Social Reform in France, 1914-1940

Joshua's work attempts to overcome tensions between democracy and capitalism in the early twentieth century.

### **Natural Sciences**

*Nicole Rust*, Neural Science  
Signal transmission, feature representation and computation in areas V1 and MT of the macaque monkey

Nicole's dissertation focuses on both "how much" information is being represented in early visual processing and "what" features of the visual world are being encoded.



### **Horizon Fellowship in the Natural Sciences**

*Cristina Pomilla*, Biology  
Population Genetic Composition of Recovering Humpback Whale Populations on Southern Hemisphere Wintering Grounds

Cristina will be presenting her research on the kinship, migration and social behaviors of humpback whales, which has significant implications on how conservation efforts are organized, at the 57th Annual Meeting of the Scientific Committee of the International Whaling Commission in Ulsan, Korea.

## **TEACHING EXCELLENCE 2004-2005**

### **Dean's Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Awards**

The Graduate School of Arts and Science (GSAS) recognizes graduate students for excellence in teaching. Students are nominated by their departments, and three awards - ordinarily, one each for the humanities, the social sciences, and the natural sciences - are made each year by the Dean upon the recommendation of the GSAS Honors and Awards Committee. The awards, valued at \$1,000 each, are presented at the annual GSAS Convocation ceremony in May.

Humanities: *Christopher Apap*, Comparative Literature  
Natural Sciences: *Banani Chakraborty*, Chemistry  
Social Sciences: *LaDawn Haglund*, Sociology

### **Outstanding Teaching Assistant Awards**

The College of Arts and Science (CAS) also honors graduate students for excellence in teaching. From faculty and student nominations, twelve awards are made to faculty members ("the golden dozen"), six to adjunct instructors, and six to graduate student instructors. This year's student recipients are:

<i>Banani Chakraborty</i> , Chemistry	<i>Bassem Shahin</i> , French
<i>Alyson Kiesel</i> , English	<i>Jonathan Shaw</i> , English
<i>Ryan Preston</i> , Philosophy	<i>Nicole Simonelli</i> , Politics

### **GSAS-Graduate Student Council (GSC) 2004-2005 Outstanding Faculty Award**

*Martin A. Schain*  
Professor, Department of Politics and  
Director, Center for European Studies

# Graduate Student Honors and Awards 2004-2005

(as of date of printing; guide to abbreviations on page 10; except for FLAS summer fellowships, honors and awards are received in period from September 1, 2004 through August 31, 2005)

## AFRICANA STUDIES

Ole-Martin Ihle Visiting Fulbright from Norway

## AMERICAN STUDIES

Vivek Bald GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award  
Kerwin Brook Journal of Homosexuality's "Best of Volume" Award  
Alyosha Goldstein GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
Christina Hanhardt GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
SSRC Sexuality Research Dissertation Fellowship  
Peter Hudson Stanford Univ Predoctoral Fellowship  
Kimani Paul-Emile NYU Graduate Forum

## ANTHROPOLOGY

Elise Andaya Fulbright-Hays to Cuba  
Julie Anidjar Goodman Fellowship  
Karen Bellinger Wehner Society for Historical Archaeology Student Paper Competition Award  
Andrew Burrell NSF Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant  
Ingrid Dudek GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award  
Daniel Fisher Rutgers Univ Ctr for the Critical Analysis of Contemporary Culture Postdoctoral Fellowship  
Aaron Glass IFA-GSAS Graduate Forum on Forms of Seeing  
Jennifer Guitart Constance R Sutton Student Award  
CLACS Student Travel Grant  
Sherine Hamdy NIH Nat'l Research Service Award Training Fellowship  
Graham Jones Fulbright to France  
Jelena Karanovic NSF Dissertation Research Grant  
Chateaubriand Fellowship  
Eleana Kim GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
IHPK Research Asst Fellowship  
Jong Bum Kwon Univ of CA President's Postdoctoral Fellowship  
Aminata Maraesa Constance R Sutton Award  
Deborah Matzner Annette B Weiner Fellowship  
GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award  
Michael Montague Margaret & Herman Sokol Travel/Research Predoctoral Award  
Ayse Parla Assoc for Feminist Anthropology's Sylvia Forman Paper Prize  
Jen Piro Fulbright to Armenia  
Suanna Selby Bert Salwen Archaeological Fellowship  
Geological Society of America Student Travel Fund

Damien Stankiewicz

FLAS Fellowship (Summer 2004)  
IFA-GSAS Graduate Forum on Forms of Seeing  
Nina Siulc ICAS Dissertation Fellowship  
Elizabeth Smith GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
April Strickland Mount Holyoke College's Louise Fitz-Randolph Fellowship  
Winifred Tate Brown Univ Watson Institute Postdoctoral Fellowship  
Kenneth Weaver Geological Society of America's Student Grant Program, NE Section

## BASIC MEDICAL SCIENCES

Sophie Caron CIHR Doctoral Fellowship  
Brian Fernholz NSF Graduate Research Fellowship  
Ethan Goldberg NINDS Predoctoral NRSA  
Minoti Hiremath US AMRMC Predoctoral Fellowship  
William Hu NSF Graduate Research Fellowship  
David & Lucille Packard Fdn Award  
United Negro College Fund/Merck Science Research Dissertation Fellowship  
PhD Class Rep for Convocation & All-University Commencement Exercises  
David & Lucille Packard Fdn Award  
Kim Moran GSAS-GSC Senator  
NSF Graduate Research Fellowship  
Jerome Nwachukwu NIH/NRSA Individual Predoctoral Fellowship for Minority Students  
American Society of Microbiology  
Robert D Watkins Graduate Fellowship  
Daniel Rigotti Int'l Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine Travel Award  
Edgardo Sanabria-Valentin NIH/NRSA Individual Predoctoral Fellowship for Minority Students  
Lynette Sanchez NIH/NRSA Individual Predoctoral Fellowship for Minority Students  
Francisca Almeida Kopac Graduate Fellowship  
Margaret & Herman Sokol Travel/Research Predoctoral Award  
Alexandra Dimitri GSEDP Graduate Teaching Fellow  
Darrell Killian Gladys Mateyko Award for Excellence in Biology  
Esteban Mazzoni Dr. Charlotte Pann Memorial Award  
GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship



## ENGLISH

Kyung-Sook Boo GSEDP Graduate Teaching Fellow  
Michael Cohen Patricia Dunn Lehrman Fellowship for the Humanities  
Paul Grimstead Cornell School of Criticism & Theory Fellowship  
Alyson Kiesel CAS Outstanding Teaching Asst Award  
Brigid Milligan Horton-Hallowell Fellowship  
Megan Obourn GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
S Asad Raza GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
Jonathan Shaw CAS Outstanding Teaching Asst Award

## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES

Lauren Tarantino GSAS-GSC Vice President

## EUROPEAN STUDIES

Renato Carfagno GSAS-GSC Social Chair & Alternate Senator

## FINE ARTS

Andaleeb Banta Theodore Rousseau Fellowship (Metropolitan Museum of Art)  
Fulbright to Italy  
Sarah Barack Andrew W Mellon Conservation Fellowship (Metropolitan Museum of Art)  
Daniel Belasco IFA-GSAS Graduate Forum on Forms of Seeing  
Laurel Bestock American Research Ctr in Egypt Fellowship  
Emily Bills Haynes Fdtn Fellowship (Huntington Library)  
Katherine Brinson Elizabeth Tuckerman Scholarship Fdtn  
Michael Brown Samuel H Kress Fdtn Travel Fellowship  
Rosina Buckland Japan Fdtn Fellowship  
John Campbell Sculpture Conservation Fellowship (Museum of Modern Art)  
Carolina Carrasco Summer Internship (Nat'l Gallery of Art)  
Jacquelyn Coutre GSAS Summer Predoctoral Fellowship  
C D Dickerson Graduate Curatorial Internship (Nat'l Gallery of Art)  
Beth Edelstein Andrew W Mellon Conservation Fellowship (Metropolitan Museum of Art)  
Johanna Epstein Theodore Rousseau Fellowship (Metropolitan Museum of Art)  
Holly Flora Andrew W Mellon Curatorial Fellowship (The Frick Collection)  
PEW Graduate Fellowship  
Blair Fowlkes NYU Graduate Forum  
Sarah Ganz Library Research Grant (The Getty Ctr)

Casey Gardonia-Foat

GSAS-GSC Secretary  
Monica Griesbach Kress Fellowship in Conservation  
Amy Hamlin FLAS Fellowship (AY 2004-2005)  
Karen Hellman Summer Internship (Nat'l Gallery of Art)  
Anne Hrychuk Kenan T Erim Fellowship (American Research Institute in Turkey)  
Anna Indych Assoc for Latin American Art's Outstanding Dissertation Award  
Lauren Jacobi Frances M Schwartz Fellowship (American Numismatics Society)  
Yumiko Kamada Japanese Gov't Study Abroad Fellowship  
Yeewan Koon Jane & Morgan Whitney Fellowship (Metropolitan Museum of Art)  
Abby Kornfeld Wexner Graduate Fellowship  
Juliana Kreinik Summer Library Research Grant (The Getty Ctr)  
Karen Kurczynski IFA-GSAS Graduate Forum on Forms of Seeing  
Alexandra Lange Luce/ACLS Dissertation Fellowship  
Abigail McEwen IFA-GSAS Graduate Forum on Forms of Seeing  
Kalliopi Minioudaki Onassis Fdtn Fellowship  
Kate Moomaw Dedalus Fellowship  
Kathryn Moore Jack Kent Cooke Fdtn Fellowship  
Maya Muratov Jane & Morgan Whitney Fellowship (Metropolitan Museum of Art)  
Anne Murray Andrew W Mellon Fellowship (Nat'l Museum of the American Indian)  
Jaime Neary Hagop Kevorkian Fellowship (Metropolitan Museum of Art)  
Rory O'Dea NYU Grey Art Gallery Graduate Assistantship  
Marcelle Polednik IFA-GSAS Graduate Forum on Forms of Seeing  
Anna Russakoff AAUW Dissertation Fellowship  
Edmund Ryder Jane & Morgan Whitney Fellowship (Metropolitan Museum of Art)  
Margaret Samu GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award  
Solow Art & Architecture Fdtn Fellowship (Metropolitan Museum of Art)  
Vanessa Schmid Theodore Rousseau Fellowship (Metropolitan Museum of Art)  
Sandra Sider NEH Collaborative Grant  
Jovana Stokic Serbian Educational Fdtn Fellowship  
Lisa Tannenbaum Fulbright to Switzerland  
Denise Teece Hagop Kevorkian Fellowship (Metropolitan Museum of Art)  
Rosemarie Trentinella Leopold Schepp Fdtn Fellowship  
Jennifer Udell Bothmer Fellowship (Metropolitan Museum of Art)

Murtaza Vali IFA-GSAS Graduate Forum on Forms of Seeing  
Chad Weinard Glaxo Smith Kline Curatorial Fellowship (NC Museum of Art)

#### **FRENCH**

Barbara Abad GSEDP Graduate Teaching Fellow  
NYU President's Service Award  
Phi Beta Kappa 2005 Walter J Jensen Fellowship for French Language, Literature & Culture  
Anthony Abiragi Dulau Fellowship  
Gregory Avedikian L'Oréal Fellowship  
Cristian Bratu ENS Exchange in Lyons  
Elizabeth Cavitch Lane Cooper Dissertation Fellowship  
Nils Froment Dulau Fellowship  
Isabelle Mullet Bradley Rubidge Prize  
Bassem Shahin CAS Outstanding Teaching Asst Award  
Penfield Award  
Pierre-Alexander Sicart  
GSAS Convocation Banner Bearer  
Catherine Webster Dulau Fellowship  
Keithley Woolward ENS Exchange in Paris

#### **FRENCH STUDIES**

Joshua Humphreys  
Dean's Outstanding Dissertation Prize (Social Sciences)  
Jelena Karanovic Chateaubriand Fellowship  
Arthur Plaza Fulbright to France  
Bourse Marandon Fellowship  
Matthew Wendeln Council for European Studies Florence  
Gould Summer Research Fellowship  
GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award

#### **GERMAN**

Antje Pfannkuchen NYU Graduate Forum  
Arthur Salvo Fulbright to Germany

#### **HEBREW & JUDAIC STUDIES**

Jill Aizenstein Memorial Fdtn for Jewish Culture  
Doctoral Fellowship  
Adina Dubin Wexner Graduate Fellowship  
Guadalupe Gonzalez-Diequez  
Visiting Fulbright from Spain  
Shiri Goren NAPH Dorot Travel Grant  
YIVO Scholarship for the 2004 Uriel  
Weinreich Program in Yiddish  
Language, Literature & Culture  
Beth Halpern MA Class Rep for Convocation & All-  
University Commencement Exercises  
Laura Jockusch Memorial Fdtn for Jewish Culture  
Doctoral Fellowship  
Vidal Sassoon Int'l Ctr for the Study of  
Antisemitism's Felix Posen Fellowship  
David Koffman Wexner Graduate Fellowship

Rachel Kranson Jewish Women's Archives Jewish  
Women Building Comm Fellowship  
Alexandra Kuperman  
Nat'l FEREP Federation Grant  
Stephen Russell NYU Graduate Forum  
Yechiel Shur FLAS Fellowship (Summer 2004)

#### **HISTORY**

Jennifer Reeder Voice for the Family Fdtn Scholarship  
Lauren Kaminsky Fulbright-Hays to Russia  
Jessica Wol-San Liem  
GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award  
Alberto Marchesi Visiting Fulbright from Uruguay  
Yuko Miki GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award  
Suzanna Reiss NYU Graduate Forum  
Michelle Standley Alternate for Fulbright to Germany

#### **ITALIAN STUDIES**

Paola Bonifazio GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award  
Tristana Rorandelli Penfield Fellowship

#### **JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION**

Shefali Anand The Asian Wall Street Journal's  
Journalism in Asia Fellowship Winner  
Leilana Del Mar Gallardo  
Visiting Fulbright from Philippines  
Rebecca Kessler SSPI Scholarship  
Vanessa Larson FLAS Fellowship (AY 2004-2005)  
Camille Le Gall Franco-American Commission for  
Educational Exchange  
Ashley Makar FLAS Fellowship (Summer 2004 &  
AY 2004-2005)  
Serena Ng The Asian Wall Street Journal's  
Journalism in Asia Fellowship First  
Runner-Up Place

#### **LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STUDIES**

Rebecca Beyer Bookbuilders of Boston Scholarship  
Ana Maria Blanco CLACS Departmental Fellowship  
Elda Lizzia Cantu Castillo  
Instituto Tecnológico Y de Estudios  
Superiores de Monterrey  
Julie Delgado Ford Fdtn Assistantship  
Angelica Duran Martinez  
Visiting Fulbright from Colombia  
Nefer Munoz LASPAU: Academic & Professional  
Programs for the Americas (LASPAU  
no longer serves as an acronym but  
has been retained as part of the  
name)  
Gabriel Nelson CLACS Departmental Fellowship  
Eleanora Rabinovitch  
Visiting Fulbright from Argentina

#### **LAW & SOCIETY**

Samera Esmair GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship

Leila Kawar Andrew Sauter Predoctoral Fellowship  
for the Humanities & Social Sciences  
Christine Scott-Hayward  
GSAS-GSC Senator-at-Large  
NYU President's Service Award  
Diana Yoon GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award

### LINGUISTICS

Philipp Angermeyer  
GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
NYU Graduate Forum  
Ken Lacy GSEDP Graduate Teaching Fellow  
Laureen Lim NSF Grant  
Simanique Moody Ford Fdtn Fellowship  
Jennifer Nycz GSAS-GSC Treasurer

### MATHEMATICS

Vera Cherepinsky Margaret & Herman Sokol Post-  
doctoral Fellowship (Fairfield Univ)  
Boyce Griffith GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
Byoung Kwan Kang  
Korea Science & Engineering Fdtn  
Scholarship  
Pil Hwa Lee Korea Science & Engineering Fdtn  
Scholarship  
Wonjung Lee Korea Science & Engineering Fdtn  
Scholarship  
Maria Rodriguez Elesgaray  
Visiting Fulbright from Argentina  
Helga Schaffrin GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
Tze Shao Netherlands Org for Int'l Cooperation  
in Higher Education

### MIDDLE EASTERN AND ISLAMIC STUDIES

Charles Anderson FLAS Fellowship (Summer 2004 &  
AY 2004-2005)  
On Barak GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award  
David Bender FLAS Fellowship (AY 2004-2005)  
Emily Burnham FLAS Fellowship (Summer 2004)  
Lale Can FLAS Fellowship (Summer 2004)  
Lerna Ekmekcioglu  
GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award  
Wilson Jacob GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
Katayoun Shafiee FLAS Fellowship (Summer 2004)  
Leslie Weaver Dolores Zohrab Liebmann Fellowship  
John Willis GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
FLAS Fellowship (Summer 2004)

### MUSEUM STUDIES

Tsering Choedon Tibetan Fulbright Scholarship  
Ursula Davila Villa Award for High Potential Students  
from Fundacion Altruista Zapopan  
(Mexico) Award Coleccion Jumex  
Maria Nicanor Gonzalez  
La Caixa Fdtn Scholarship for  
Graduate Study in the US from Spain

Monica Nunez Laiseca  
OASIS -ISM Project Award for  
Perceptionism  
Visiting Fulbright from Spain

### MUSIC

Christopher Ariza Fulbright to Netherlands  
Daniel Beliaevsky Piano Arts Nat'l Concerto & Solo  
Competition's Nat'l Adv Bd member  
Michael Birenbaum-Quintero  
Fulbright to Columbia  
J. Thomas Brett Shortell-Holzer Dissertation Fellowship  
Amy Brosius Alternate for Fulbright to Italy  
Melvin Butler Thurgood Marshall Dissertation  
Fellowship  
Michael Gallope Mellon Fellowship  
Gina Genova ASCAP Deems-Taylor Award for  
Naxos  
Edward Green Music Alive! Grant (jointly awarded  
from American Symphony Orchestra  
League and Meet the Composer)  
Monica Hairston CSGS Joan Heller Dissertation Prize  
Patricia Dunn Lehrman Fellowship for  
the Humanities  
David McMullin Commissions from the Fama Quartet  
of Prague, from the Firebird Ensemble  
of Boston, & from the Essex Chamber  
Music Players of Haverhill, MA  
Daniel Neely GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
Brett Pyper SSRC Fellowship for Int'l Field  
Research (South Africa)

### NEAR EASTERN STUDIES

Lindsay Adams FLAS Fellowships (Summer 2004 &  
AY 2004-2005)  
Christine Cuk FLAS Fellowships (Summer 2004 &  
AY 2004-2005)  
Illana Fischer FLAS Fellowship (Summer 2004)  
Alexis Lemon FLAS Fellowship (AY 2004-2005)  
Amy Malek FLAS Fellowship (Summer 2004)  
Amir Moosavi FLAS Fellowship (AY 2004-2005)  
Sarah Naseer FLAS Fellowships (Summer 2004 &  
AY 2004-2005)  
Tiare Rath FLAS Fellowship (Summer 2004)  
Keren Rouche Jewish Community of LaChaux-de-  
Fonds  
Tea Rozman-Clark FLAS Fellowship (AY 2004-2005)  
Katayoun Sadeghi FLAS Fellowship (AY 2004-2005)  
Robin Shulman FLAS Fellowship (Summer 2004)  
Rachel Smith Thomas Pickering Fellowship  
Hanan Thabet FLAS Fellowship (AY 2004-2005)

### NEURAL SCIENCE

Neel Dhruv IFA-GSAS Graduate Forum on Forms  
of Seeing  
Anita Disney GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship

Jeffrey Erlich HHMI Fellowship  
 Mehrdad Jazayeri Goldsmith Fellowship  
 NYU Graduate Forum  
 Shani Offen NSF Fellowship  
 Svetlana Rosis NRSA Fellowship  
 Nicole Rust GSAS Dean's Outstanding  
 Dissertation Prize (Natural Sciences)  
 Robb Rutledge US Dept of Defense Fellowship  
 Mas Schiff NRSA Fellowship  
 Francisco Sotres-Bayon  
 Extinction Conference Travel Award  
 Riju Srimal Seaver Fellowship  
 Damian Stanley NRSA Fellowship

### PERFORMANCE STUDIES

James Augustine Performance Studies Dept Award  
 Dong-shin Chang Monroe Lippman Memorial Prize for  
 Distinguished Doctoral Dissertation  
 Anita Cherian Monroe Lippman Memorial Prize for  
 Distinguished Doctoral Dissertation  
 Berta Jottar Cynthia Jean Cohen Bull Memorial  
 Award for Academic Excellence  
 Sarah Kozinn Performance Studies Dept Award  
 Debra Levine J. Ndukaku Amankulor Memorial  
 Award for Academic Excellence  
 Blagovesta Momchedjikova  
 IFA-GSAS Graduate Forum on Forms  
 of Seeing  
 Shanti Pillai Cynthia Jean Cohen Bull Memorial  
 Award for Academic Excellence  
 Sean Simon The Leigh George Odom Memorial  
 Award for Distinguished Masters  
 Student  
 Shane Vogel GSAS Dean's Outstanding  
 Dissertation Prize (Humanities)  
 Michael Kirby Memorial Prize for  
 Distinguished Doctoral Dissertation

### PHILOSOPHY

Ryan Preston CAS Outstanding Teaching Asst Award  
 Brad Skow Philosophy Dept Doctoral Dissertation  
 Award  
 Declan Smithies Evan Frankel Fellowship in Philosophy

### PHYSICS

Francesco Nitti James Arthur Dissertation Fellowship  
 Barbaros Oezylmaz  
 GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship

### POLITICS

Özlem Altan GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship

Eyal Bino America-Israel Friendship League  
 Scholarship

Haris Hromic Education Builds Bosnia &  
 Herzegovina Scholarship

Mari Huseby Visiting Fulbright from Norway  
 Hazem Khaled Kandil  
 Visiting Fulbright from Egypt  
 Daniela Moreno Visiting Fulbright from Chile  
 Wim Oosterveld Visiting Fulbright from Netherlands  
 Ivana Rossi Visiting Fulbright from Argentina  
 Akhad Sahal Visiting Fulbright from Indonesia  
 Melanie Santizo Visiting Fulbright from Guatemala  
 Nicole Simonelli CAS Outstanding Teaching Asst Award  
 Mاتيanganai V S Sirleaf  
 Fulbright to Ghana  
 Jose Ricardo Vudoyra Nieto  
 Visiting Fulbright from Mexico

### PSYCHOLOGY

Efstathia Anastopoulou  
 Gerondelis Fdtn Award  
 Katja Doerschner Katzell Summer Fellowships in  
 Psychology  
 Margaret & Herman Sokol Travel/  
 Research Predoctoral Award  
 Anna Gassman-Pines  
 Katzell Summer Fellowships in  
 Psychology  
 Celia Gonzalez APA Science Student Council Early  
 Research Award in Basic Science  
 Amy Joh Martin Braine Fellowship in Cognition  
 & Cognitive Development  
 Samuel Ling Katzell Summer Fellowships in  
 Psychology  
 Tyler Okimoto Douglas & Katharine Fryer Thesis  
 Fellowship in Psychology  
 Tali Sharot Douglas & Katharine Fryer Thesis  
 Fellowship in Psychology  
 Jacqueline Snyder GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship

### SOCIOLOGY

Neal Caren GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship  
 Ailsa Craig GSEDP Graduate Teaching Fellow  
 Brian Gifford American Sociological Assoc  
 Dissertation Award  
 LaDawn Haglund GSAS Dean's Outstanding Graduate  
 Student Teaching Award (Social  
 Sciences)  
 Monika Krause GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award

### SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE

Mariana Amato GSAS Summer Predoctoral Award  
 Hernan Diaz Cornell School of Criticism & Theory  
 Fellowship  
 Katalyn Vidal Leedom Fellowship

***Congratulations.***

## GUIDE TO ABBREVIATIONS

NYU New York University  
 GSAS Graduate School of Arts & Science  
 AY Academic Year (September to May)

### Within GSAS:

BMS Basic Medical Sciences  
 CES Center for European Studies  
 CLACS Center for Latin American & Caribbean Studies  
 CNS Center for Neural Science  
 CWP Creative Writing Program (Poetry, Fiction)  
 EHS Environmental Health Sciences  
 GSC Graduate Student Council: Comprised representatives from GSAS departmental student organizations, GSC serves as a forum to address the interests of graduate students at both GSAS & University level & aims to build a stronger sense of community among GSAS students. GSC initiates projects that benefit the graduate student community and offers grants to departmental student organizations to support initiatives that augment students' academic experience at NYU including student journals, lectures & conferences.

GSLEDP Graduate Student Educational Development Program: Teaching preparation program for graduate students; its goals are to enhance excellent teaching and learning, to improve performance skills in both the classroom & the laboratory, & to prepare graduate students for careers in the academy & other demanding professions.

IFA Institute of Fine Arts  
 IFS Institute for French Studies

NYU Graduate Forum  
 Established to encourage interdisciplinary inquiry & open to all NYU graduate students, 10 forum members are selected by nomination process, evaluated according to a host of academic criteria & meets monthly to share & discuss work.

NYU Institute of Fine Arts-Graduate School of Arts and Science (IFA-GSAS) Graduate Forum on Forms of Seeing  
 Modeled after the Graduate Forum, this group of 10 focuses on research & work that involve interpretation of "seeing" by meeting monthly.

### Within NYU:

CAS College of Arts and Science  
 CSGS Center for the Study of Gender & Sexuality  
 CTE Center for Teaching Excellence  
 FLAS Foreign Language and Area Studies: Fellowships available to full-time graduate students who are studying a modern foreign language as part of their academic program in preparation for a career that will utilize their language studies.  
 ICAS International Center for Advanced Studies  
 IHPK Institute for the History and Production of Knowledge  
 OASIS Office for African-American, Latino & Asian American Student Services; NIA Awards: NIA means "purpose," the sixth principle of Kwanzaa: To make our collective vocation the building & developing of our community in order to restore our people to their traditional greatness; -ISM Project Grants: Awardees explore the social "-isms" using a variety of media, such as short films, musical arrangements, & dramatic performances, showcased at an annual gala.  
 SRC Student Resource Center, coordinates NYU President's Service Awards, students may be awarded in 3 categories: Programming; Volunteerism & Community Service; and Leadership.

### Beyond NYU:

AAUW American Association of University Women  
 ACLS American Council of Learned Societies  
 AMRMC Army Medical Research and Materiel Command  
 APA American Psychological Association  
 ASCAP American Society of Composers, Authors, & Publishers  
 CIHR Canadian Institute of Health Research  
 ENS Ecole Normale Supérieure  
 FEREP Federation Executive Recruitment & Education Program  
 HHMI Howard Hughes Medical Institute  
 NAPH National Association of Professors of Hebrew  
 NEH National Endowment for the Humanities  
 NIH National Institutes of Health  
 NINDS National Institute of Neurological Disease  
 NRSA National Research Service Award  
 NSF National Science Foundation  
 SSPI Society of Satellite Professionals Int'l  
 SSRC Social Science Research Council

## GSAS Graduation

GSAS expects to graduate  
 2,159 students for  
 academic year 2004-2005.

September 2004  
 365 Graduates  
 (91 PhD's, 263 Master's, 11 Certificate)

January 2005  
 462 Graduates  
 (63 PhD's, 374 Master's, 25 Certificate)

May 2005\*  
 1,332 Graduation Candidates  
 (306 PhD's, 966 Master's, and  
 60 Certificate)

*\*denotes students who have registered with the University Registrar's Office indicating intent to graduate by May 2005 but does not translate as guarantee of recipient of May 2005 degree.*

## Special Degree Acknowledgements

On behalf of **Natalie Sullivan Bimel** (degree being awarded post-humously), Phil Harper will be accepting Natalie's doctorate in American Studies. Her documentary film, These Are Our Kids: Transforming Juvenile Detention in the Three American Cities, has been screened at NYU.

**Gloria Ho Denoon**, PhD, Sociology, will be hooded by her husband, David Denoon, Professor of Politics.

## Leading Convocation

PhD Class Rep **Marcus Jones** from the Department of Microbiology and Infectious Disease at the Sackler Institute of Graduate Biomedical Science will lead GSAS in the upcoming graduation ceremonies. His dissertation title is luxS-mediated quorum-sensing in *Bacillus anthracis*.

Master's Class Rep **Beth Halpern** will receive her degree in Jewish History from the department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies. Her thesis is on the American Jewish Congress' attempt to foster a positive Jewish identity through the actions of its Commission on Community Interrelations.

With a dissertation exploring the interplay of fact and fiction in autobiographical texts, GSAS Banner Bearer **Pierre-Alexandre Sicart** will graduate with his PhD in French Literature from both NYU and the U. of Toulouse II, France.

## SAVE THE DATE: ORIENTATIONS

Please contact in advance as the date approaches to confirm whether orientation is required or strongly recommended, the dates, times, and locations, and registration deadlines (if applicable).

### **Graduate Student Educational Development Program (GSEDP) Orientation: New Appointments Only** <http://www.nyu.edu/gsas/OASL/GSEDP.html>

Tuesday, August 30, 8:45AM - 5:00PM

David Slocum (212) 998-8060

Students are strongly encouraged to contact their departments in advance regarding possible departmental training sessions for new and/or continuing teaching appointments.

### **Expository Writing Program (EWP):**

(New and Continuing Instructors) (212) 998-8860

### **Training Program for International Graduate Students Who Teach**

Neil Williams (212) 998-7058

### **Morse Academic Plan (MAP)**

<http://www.nyu.edu/cas/map/preceptors.html>

Thursday, September 1, 9:00AM - 5:00PM

Vincent Renzi for Foundations of Contemporary Culture (FCC) - New and Returning Preceptors, (212) 998-8071

Trace Jordan for Foundations of Scientific Inquiry (FSI) - New Preceptors Only, (212) 998-8078

**Modern Language Departments:** Contact Departmental Language Coordinators in French, German, Italian, and Spanish & Portuguese

### **Office for International Students and Scholars (OISS), (212) 998-4720, <http://www.nyu.edu/osl/oiss/>**

OISS is the University's liaison to the United States Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the United States Information Agency.

### **Orientation for International Students (Strongly Recommended)**

Wednesday, August 31 - Friday, September 2, 9:00AM - 5:00PM

### **Student Resource Center (SRC)**

<http://www.nyu.edu/src/grads/>

### **NYU Welcome Week**

Monday, August 29 - Friday, September 2

Highlights include:

### **Graduate Student Resource Fair**

Wednesday, September 7, 5:00PM - 7:00PM

60 Washington Square South, 4th Floor

### **Reception for New Graduate Students hosted by NYU President John Sexton**

Wednesday, September 7, 8:00PM - 10:00PM

60 Washington Square South, 10th Floor  
Light refreshments will be served.

### **Office of Career Services (OCS)**

<http://www.nyu.edu/careerservices/>

Wednesday, August 31, 4:30PM to 6:30PM



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**2005 GSAS Alumni/Alumnae Achievement Award Recipient**  
*Award will be presented at GSAS Dean's Luncheon on Saturday, May 14, 1:00PM*

**Dr. Jill Bargonetti-Chavarria**

GSAS 1987 (MS)  
GSAS 1990 (PhD)

Molecular biologist Jill Bargonetti-Chavarria is a

renowned cancer researcher, and innovator in the education of minorities in science.

Currently an associate professor at Hunter College of the City University of New York, Professor Bargonetti-Chavarria has done extensive research on the p53 protein, which assists in the suppression of tumor cells. At Hunter's Center for the Study of Gene Structure and Function, she and her colleagues are



currently working to determine if DNA damage caused by various chemotherapeutic drugs is able to bring about differential activation of the p53 target genes as well as activate alternative cell death pathways. Her research group is also investigating how the oncogenic protein Mdm2 functions in multiple ways to inactivate p53 function in cancer cells.

Awarded the prestigious Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers by President Bill Clinton, Bargonetti-Chavarria has received research grants from the National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health. She also won the Young Investigator Award, given by the mayor of New York City,

the 1998 New York Voice Award, given to those who have made a significant improvement to the quality of life in New York City, and the 1997 Kathy Keeton Mountain Top Award from the New York branch of the NAACP. In December 2004, Working Mother magazine profiled her as one of the nation's "Stellar Moms."

Prior to arriving on the Hunter campus in 1994, Bargonetti-Chavarria was a post-doctoral fellow at Columbia University (1990-1994). She has also been a visiting professor at Rockefeller University. Bargonetti-Chavarria received a B.A. in biology from SUNY College at Purchase in 1985. Visit [www.nyu.edu/alumni/weekend/index.shtml](http://www.nyu.edu/alumni/weekend/index.shtml) for tickets.