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AJHA ANNOUNCES 2014 RESEARCH AWARDS

Nineteen scholars were honored for their research during the American Journalism Historians Association 33rd Annual Convention Oct. 9-11 in St. Paul, Minn.

Research Chair Linda Lumsden is not surprised by the number of outstanding papers from this year's conference, especially those involving collaborative work between faculty and students.

"I was really pleased to see Tracy Lucht and Chunyu Zhang of Iowa State University win the W. David Sloan Award for Top Faculty Paper because Chunyu is a graduate student," Lumsden said. "It's rewarding to see faculty working so productively with students."

[Student winners are marked (S).]

- **W. David Sloan Award (Top Faculty Paper):** Tracy Lucht and Chunyu Zhang (S), Iowa State University. *Honorable mentions:* Jon Marshall and Matthew Connor, Northwestern University; Thomas A. Schwartz, Ohio State University; and Cayce Myers, Virginia Tech.
- **Robert Lance Memorial Award (Top Student Paper):** Katie Beardsley (S), Temple University, and Carrie Teresa, Niagara University. *Honorable mentions:* Laura H. Marshall, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Willie R. Tubbs (S), University of Southern Mississippi; and Ian Punnett, Arizona State University.
- **J. William Snorgrass Memorial Award (Minority Journalism):** Beardsley and Teresa. *Honorable mentions:* Tubbs; Jon Marshall and Connor; and Ali N. Mohamed, United Arab Emirates University.
- **Wallace Eberhard Award (Media and War):** Laura Marshall. *Honorable mentions:* Scott Morton, University of Alabama; Candi S. Carter Olson, Utah State University; and Jeff Nichols, University of Illinois at Chicago.
- **Maurine Beasley Award for Best Paper on Women's Journalism History (Women's History):** Lucht and Zhang. *Honorable mentions:* Carter Olson; Raymond McCaffrey, University of Arkansas; and Lori Amber Roessner, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Jodi Rightler-McDaniels, South College, and Shiela Hawkins, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

Lumsden reminds future AJHA presenters that next year, cash prizes will be awarded for top faculty and top student paper submissions.

Founded in 1981, the American Journalism Historians Association seeks to advance education and research in mass communication history. Members work to raise historical standards and ensure that all scholars and students recognize the vast importance of media history and apply this knowledge to the advancement of society. For more information on AJHA, visit <http://www.ajhaonline.org>.

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