

## 2010-2011 Faculty Development Fund Recipients

### **Marc von der Ruhr, Associate Professor of Economics**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Portland, OR, to participate in the Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture in conjunction with the Western Economics Association, June 29-July 3, 2010, to present a paper titled "Subsidizing Religious Participation Through Groups: A Model of 'Megachurch' Strategy for Growth."

### **Marcie Paul, Associate Professor of Spanish**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Toronto, Canada, to participate in the Latin American Studies Association Annual Conference, October 5-9, 2010, to present a paper titled "Brothers, Doubles, and Imposters: Cyclical Fratricide in Ignacio Padilla's *Amphitryon*."

### **Jason Senjem, Assistant Professor of Business Administration**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Lausanne, Switzerland, to participate in the International Institute for Management Development and École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), June 9-12, 2010, to present a paper titled "Shades of Green: Entrepreneurial Influences of Environmental Practice Adoption" co-authored with Ms. Jessica Richards (SNC).

### **Bradford Ellis, Assistant Professor of Spanish**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to South Hadley, MA, to participate in the bi-annual conference of the *Grupo de Estudios sobre la Mujer en España y las Américas (pre-1800)* (GEMELA), September 22-26, 2010, to present a paper titled "From Slaves to Sorcerers: The Subversive Presence of Morisco Women in Golden Age Spain."

### **Ryan Cordell, Assistant Professor of English and Director of Writing-Across-the-Curriculum**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Rice University, Houston, TX, to participate in the "Millennialism and Providentialism in the Era of the American Civil War" conference October 1-3, 2010, to present a paper titled "'This *Flattering* Millennium Theory': Denominationalism Against Millennialism in James Fenimore Cooper's *The Crater*."

### **Deborah Anderson, Associate Professor of Biology**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Pittsburg, PA, to participate in the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Annual Meeting of Society Vertebrate Paleontology conference, October 8-13, 2010, to present a poster titled "New Specimens of *Thisbemys brevicrista* (Rodentia) from the Middle Eocene Bridger Formation, Green River Basin, Wyoming."

### **Joel Mann, Assistant Professor of Philosophy**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Worcester, MA, to participate in the Boston Area Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy lecture series, December 1-4, 2010, to be a commentator on a paper titled "Medical Analogies and Apories in Aristotle's Natural Science," authored by Monte Johnson, Philosophy, University of California, San Diego.

### **Rebecca Schmeisser, Assistant Professor of Geology**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Denver, CO, to participate in the National Geological Society of America Meeting, October 31 - November 3, 2010, to present a paper titled "Taphonomy of a Nearly Complete Polycotyloid Plesiosaur Skeleton from the Tropic Shale of Southern Utah."

### **Bola Delano, Assistant Professor of Teacher Education**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Chestnut Hill, MA, to participate in the Annual Diversity Challenge: "Race and Culture in Teaching, Training, and Supervision," October 14-17, 2010, to present a workshop titled "Using Culturally Appropriate Service Learning Methods to Prepare White

Pre-Service Teachers,” and to be a co-presenter of a structured discussion titled “Indicators of Success: Faculty of Color at Predominately White Institutions.”

**Eliot Elfner, Professor of Business Administration**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to San Diego, CA, to participate in the international conference for the Institute of Behavioral and Applied Management, October 6-11, 2010, to present a paper titled “The Case for Gathering Evidence about Program Effectiveness to Improve Student Learning.”

**Beth Tarasawa, Assistant Professor of Sociology**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Boston, MA, to participate in the Annual Diversity Challenge: “Race and Culture in Teaching, Training, and Supervision,” October 14-17, 2010, to present a session titled “Racing the Classroom: Unpacking Color-blind Racism in Predominately White Institutions” along with Dr. Belisa Gonzales (Ithaca College).

**Tynisha Meidl, Assistant Professor of Teacher Education**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Orlando, FL, to participate in the Association of Teacher Education Annual Meeting, February 13-16, 2011, to present a paper titled “Developing Dispositions in Teacher Candidates Through Community Service,” co-authored with Beth Baumann (SNC 2011).

**Tom Conner, Professor of French**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Albuquerque, NM, to participate in the Rocky Mountain Modern Languages Association annual convention, October 14-16, 2010, to present a paper titled “Berlin at a Crossroads.”

**Ikuko Torimoto, Associate Professor of Japanese**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Honolulu, Hawaii, to participate in the 2011 Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities, January 9-12, 2011, to present a paper titled “Life Stories of Issei Women as Portrayed in Eileen Sunada Sarasohn’s Book ‘Issei Women Echoes from Another Frontier.’”

**Susan Landt, Associate Professor of Education**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Lake Geneva, WI, to participate in Wisconsin Education Association of Student Support Programs (WEASSP) XV Annual Sharing Conference Making Education Meet the Challenge, December 1-3, 2010, to present a workshop “Multicultural literature: locating, evaluating, and incorporating in the curriculum.”

**Matt Stollak, Associate Professor of Business Administration**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Las Vegas, NV, to participate in the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of American Society of Business and Behavioral Sciences, February 24-27, 2011, to present a paper titled “Getting Social: The impact of Social Networking Usage on Grades Among College Student.”

**Paul Ngo, Associate Professor of Psychology**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Portland, OR, to participate in the Fourth International Conference on Business and Sustainability, November 3-6, 2010, to present a paper titled “Individual-and Group-Level Factors that Impact Sustainability” and co-present “Different but not Diverging: Climate Change and Corporate Diversity in Fortune 500 Companies.”

**Wayne Patterson, Professor of History**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Honolulu, HI, to participate in the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies and the International Conference on Asian Studies, March 30-April 4, 2011, to Chair and be a Discussant on a panel entitled “(Dis)embodying “Japan”:

Discourses of Multiracial Empire in Manchukuo and Japanese Immigrants in Hawai'i, British Columbia, and the Priamur Region.”

**Charley Jacobs, Assistant Professor of Political Science**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Chicago, IL, to participate in the 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference, March 31-April 3, 2011, to present a paper titled “Supreme Court Opinion Assignment and the Dominant Senior Associate Justice: The Role of John Paul Stevens” co-authored with Professor Christopher E. Smith from Michigan State University.

**Sabine Hyland, Associate Professor of Anthropology**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Mangas, Peru, to pursue research in the field, January 6-17, 2011, to be project leader to study a previously unknown sample of Inca writing found in a remote village in the central Andes.

**Kathy Molnar, Associate Professor of Business Administration**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Portland, OR, to participate in the Western DSI conference, April 5-8, 2011, to present a paper titled “Do Undergraduate Business Students’ Perceptions of Corporate Social Responsibility Differ Between the United States and Ireland?” co-authored with Iris Jenkel.

**Iris Jenkel, Assistant Professor of Business Administration**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Portland, OR, to participate in the Western DSI conference, April 5-8, 2011, to present a paper titled “Do Undergraduate Business Students’ Perceptions of Corporate Social Responsibility Differ Between the United States and Ireland?” co-authored with Kathy Molnar.

**Amy Vandenberg, Assistant Professor of Business Administration**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Las Vegas, NV, to participate in the American Society of Business and Behavioral Sciences Conference, February 24-27, 2011, to present a paper titled “Mark-To-Market To What Market?” co-authored with Andrea Burklund and Stephanie Weiss.

**Leanne Kent, Assistant Professor of Philosophy**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Miami, FL, to participate in the conference on Eudaimonia and Virtue: Reconsidering the Good Life, February 24-28, 2011, to present a paper titled “Eudaimonism, Normativity and Deontic Concepts.”

**Stephen Rupsch, Assistant Professor and Director of Theatre Studies**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Minneapolis, MN, to participate in the Mid-America Theatre Conference, March 2-6, 2011, to present a paper titled “The Uncertain Company: Examining Ethical and Realistic Issues in Creating a New Theatre Studies Major.”

**Katherine Muhs, Assistant Professor of Mathematics**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to San Francisco, CA, to participate in the U.S. Department of Education MSP Regional Conference, March 21-24, 2011, to present a paper titled “Northeast WI Math Partnership Overview, Successes, and Challenges.”

**Ravi Agarwal, Assistant Professor of Computer Science**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Kennesaw, GA, to participate in the annual conference of the Association of Computing Machinery South East, March 23-26, 2011, to present a paper titled “Software Development Process Animation.”

**John Day, Assistant Professor of Spanish**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to National Harbor, MD, to participate in the Convention and Expo of the Council for Exceptional Children, April 25-28, 2011, to present a paper titled "We're Not in Cancun Anymore: Preservice Immersion Experiences in Schools in Mexico" co-authored with Dr. Michael Skivington (UW-Oshkosh).

**Deirdre Egan, Assistant Professor of English and Director of American Studies**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Boston, MA, to participate in the American Literature Association Conference, May 25-29, 2011, to present a paper titled "From Bower to Bauer: Transnational Modern Spaces Re-Formed."

**Russ Feirer, Associate Professor of Biology**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Orland, FL, to participate in the annual conference of the American Association for Cancer Research, April 2-6, 2011, to present a paper titled "Resveratrol: Effect on Polyamine Metabolism and Synergistic Interactions with DFMO and DenSpm in Breast Cancer and Uveal Melanoma Cell Lines," co-authored with Isabella Benassi and Izzy Rauguth (SNC).

**Gratzia Villarroel, Associate Professor of Political Science**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Chicago, IL, to participate in the Midwest Political Science Association conference, March 31-April 3, 2011, to present a paper titled "Torture Survivors of Argentina's Military Regimes: The Interlay of Democracy, Political Conditionality, and Political Will," co-authored with Patricia Isasa, and to chair a panel titled "Comparative Politics, Social Movements and Transitions to Democracy in Latin America."

**Yi-Lan Niu, Assistant Professor of Music**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Long Island, NY, and Boston, MA, to participate in a concert and masterclass, May 11-13, 2011, to present a world premier concert at Suffok County Community College and a duo recital and masterclass at Noble and Greenough School.

**Shalisa Collins, Assistant Professor of Spanish**

Funding of \$600.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Lexington, KY, to participate in the Kentucky Foreign Language Conference, April 14-16, 2011, to present a paper titled "The City as Corpse in the Detective Novels of Ramón Díaz."

**Edward Ridsen, Professor of English**

Funding of \$100.00 to help cover expenses for travel to Kalamazoo, MI, to participate in the Annual International Medieval Congress, May 11-15, 2011, to present a paper titled "Ecovian Aesthetics and Beowulfian Poetics" and contribute "Impact on Medieval Studies and Medievalism" to a roundtable discussion.