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# Spotlight On Scholarship

## A Sabbatical Report

Throughout the year we will host a series of presentations to recognize professional achievement in scholarship and to celebrate the rich diversity and talents of our colleagues.

*This Spotlight on Scholarship features*

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***Bradford Ellis***  
***Assistant Professor of Spanish***

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**“Slaves, Sorcery, and Subversion: Morisco Women in Early Modern Spain”**

Among the subjects most troubling to authorities in sixteenth- and seventeenth-century Spain were the Moriscos, Muslim converts to Christianity. Despite their public conversion, many Moriscos continued to practice their Islamic faith and its traditions in secret. Morisco women, in particular, threatened church and state authority since they could preserve their Islamic heritage within the household and raise their children in the Muslim culture. Two categories of Morisco women who were especially troubling to Christian authorities were slaves and those who practiced love magic, known as *hechiceras*. In this presentation, Brad will discuss his on-going research on the ways in which these women challenged the patriarchal Christian mainstream of their time while preserving their Muslim heritage and identity.



**Tuesday, April 5, 2011**  
**12:00 – 12:50 p.m.**  
**Todd Wehr Hall Room 206**



The Office of Faculty Development will provide light refreshments.