

# GLOBAL HISTORY

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## Congratulations on the History Graduating Seniors!

The Global History seniors of 2012, the titles of their theses that they wrote under the guidance of Professor Allison Kavey in the History Senior Seminar, and their post graduate plans.

Prasad Adhvaryu: "The role of Alexander's invasion of India in establishing the Mauryan Empire."

Rachel Axelrod: "Gender and fashion in Athenian and Roman culture." Rachel was accepted to a CSI program.

Mercedes Gonzalez: "An analysis of political strategies employed by dictators in Haiti and the Dominican Republic." Mercedes is planning to go to a graduate school to continue a higher education and most likely will become a teacher for high school.

Richard Korman (visiting from SUNY Buffalo): "A comparison of eugenics strategies in the United States and Brazil, 1865-1940." Richard plans to continue as managing senior editor of ENR.com, the website of a construction industry publication by McGraw-Hill, and freelance contributor to the website of Pacific Standard magazine, psmag.com. Studying with Professor Kavey has inspired the hope that he can one day continue to study history as a CUNY graduate student.

Justin Oliveira: "A comparison of strategies employed by colonial powers against indigenous populations in the Americas and India."

Crystal Reynoso: "The role of the Mughal invasions in increasing militarism in Sikhism." Crystal received the first departmental award on May 8, 2012.

Lashaunda Robinson: "An analysis of the abuses perpetuated in and the ethical and legal implications of the Tuskegee and Guatemala syphilis experiments." Lashaunda was accepted to a MEd program (Howard).

Dario Rosales: Professor Matt Perry has worked with Dario on a thesis about the influence of Arianism in late Roman politics.





Our first departmental award to a senior, Crystal Reynoso, was awarded by Professor Matt Perry at 4:00 today, May 8, 2012. The ceremony was held in the Auxiliary Gym at Hareen Hall.  
(L-R) President Jeremy Travis, Crystal Reynoso, Professors Allison Kavey and Matt Perry.

### The Humanities and Justice Studies seniors who wrote their theses with history topics under the guidance of Professor Allison Kavey in her section of the Thesis in Humanities and Justice Studies.

- Geraldine Carames: "The inequalities faced by women in China under Confucian philosophy and after the revolution."  
Kanya Cornet: "Prisons in 19th century England: an historical and literary analysis."  
John Cusick: "A philosophical and historical analysis of the failures of the UN positions on human rights to prevent genocide and a potential new framework for human rights." John (along with Khashea Surujpaul, another student of Professor Kavey) tied for second in the Woodner awards for the best HJS thesis.  
Erasmus Molano: "An historical analysis of the utilitarian philosophies of Gandhi, Vladka Meed, and Martin Luther King."  
Lisette Muriel: "Legal inequalities of gender, class, and social status in the Qing and Ming dynasties."  
Sylvena Sealey: "An historical and literary analysis of the gender inequalities inherent in early 20th century American marriage and the social movements against them."  
Alexis Suers-Caris: "Abraham Lincoln's attitudes toward slavery."

### Other Humanities and Justice Studies seniors who were assisted by the history faculty.

- Crystal Charles: "Transparency: Towards the Future of American Democracy." Professors Joseph Kramp and David Munns assisted Crystal in her senior thesis project and it won the first prize in the Humanities and Justice Thesis Award Competition.

\* Special thanks go to Professor Bettina Carbonell for her hard work as the HJS coordinator and welcome Margaret Tabb back to the coordinator position!

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