

MMW 12 Showcase Honorees
Winter 2017

Wan-Ki Esther Chau

“Christianity in the Roman Empire: How
Legitimate Was It?”

TA: Remington Krueger

Janet Gleason

“Metanoia”

TA: Suzanne Genshock

Michelle Fung

“Han Herstory”

TA: Anna Hetherington

Ella Lucas

“Applications of Authoritarianism in
Ancient China”

TA: Jasmine Tocki

MMW 13 Showcase Honorees
Spring 2017

Xiaoqi Jiang

“Voltaire: Rationalist, Humanitarian, or
Anti-semitic?”

TA: Alex Stewart

Aimee Kim

“Wielding Words”

TA: Michael De Monto

Phillip Lagoc

“The Modes of Warfare in Medieval Japan
and Where They Came From”

TA: Tricia McMaster

Serena Lee

“Noh Theater as a Reflection of Zen
Buddhism”

TA: Michael De Monto

Timothy Morton

“Food as Power: An Exploration of Pre-
Columbian Aztec Agricultural Domination”

TA: Pete Braden

Lukas Mukrakis

“Holy Grounds and Imperial Leaves: The
Drinks that Stimulated the Rebirth of
Europe”

TA: Alex Stewart

Kristen Santos

“An Analysis of the Integration of Zen
Buddhism in Japan”

TA: Leanne Williams

MMW 14 Showcase Honorees
Winter 2017

Robin Adams

“Creole Response to Bourbon Reformations
Preceding Spanish American Independence”

TA: Allen Bolar

Jordan Antonio-Najera

“Maximilien Robespierre: National Terrorist
and Dictator”

TA: James Stout

Jiaxi Chen

“The Nature of the Taiping Movement:
Religious Movement or Political Rebellion?”

TA: Ivana Polic

Robert Ball

“Boxers Ready to Rumble: How Economic and
Cultural Battery in Shandong Catalyzed
Imperial Resistance”

TA: Ivana Polic

Sandy Chew

“Dispelling Illusions of Political Peace and
Social Stability in Tokugawa Japan”

TA: James Stout

Rachel Gonzalez

“Remember the Ladies: Women of the French
Revolution”

TA: Allen Bolar

Ming Hsueh

“From Japan to the West: Hokusai’s Legacy in
19th Century Europe”

TA: Matt Wills

Dingcheng Hu

“Adam Smith: The Challenger of Tradition on
Wealth Distribution”

TA: Rosana Womack

Salina Ket

“Christianity: Government Thoughts on
Revival During the Meiji Restoration in Japan”

TA: Ivana Polic

Veronika Michels **

“Controlling the Commodity of Lust”

TA: Julia Fernandez

Noah Millman **

“The Fellowship of a Nation and the
Vengeance of its People”

TA: Matt Wills

Nhi Nguyen

“Out of the Closet and Into the Victorian Era:
The Importance of Being Heterosexual as a
Homoosexual”

TA: Ben Smuin

Annie Park

“Colonizing Bodies, Colonizing Minds: Freak
Shows in Britain’s Imperial Century”

TA: Joel Fullerton

Julia Petrini

“Mind Games: The Extent of Missionary
Education on Shaping the Minds of African
Natives”

TA: Ben Smuin

Lauren Pimental

“The Gold Rush of 1829: Economics Trump
Sovereignty”

TA: Ivana Polic

William Wong

“Examining the Influence of Cricket on 19th
Century British-Colonial India”

TA: Ben Smuin

Melissa Wu

“French Impression: A Reaction to Change”

TA: Allen Bolar

Yicheng Yin

“Working Women During the British
Industrial Revolution”

TA: Ivana Polic

***Received awards for MMW 14 and MMW 15 papers*

MMW 15 Showcase Honorees
Spring 2017

Evan Andersen

“The Irreparable Divides Between Joseph Stalin
and Josip Broz Tito”
TA: Alan Stauffer

Hannah Ashby

“State-Sponsored Nationalism in the Soviet
Union”
TA: Ben Smuin

Lenin Ballesteros

“The Bracero Program: A Prototype Doomed to
Fail”
TA: Vanessa Bateman

Aimee Barnes

“The Growth of an Asian Tiger”
TA: Noni Brynjolson

Kyle Chang

“An Examination of Taiwan’s Economic and
Social Development in the 21st Century”
TA: Joe Djordjevski

Judy Chun

“Beyond the Black Shadow of Stigma: US
Military Prostitution in South Korea”
TA: Mirna Wasef

Matea Djokic

“Vladimir Nabokov: Transcending Fiction and
Reality”
TA: Joe Djordjevski

Stephanie Dorado-Ponce

“Leni Riefenstahl: The Aspiring Film Director
of the Nazi Era”
TA: Taylor Gray

Bryan Huang

“Defining Taiwanese Identity Through
Subjugation”
TA: Taylor Gray

Kristin Lench

“The Perilous Flight of the Rockets: Red Glare
in the Race for Space”
TA: Joel Fullerton

Alice Lu

“Medicalization of Childbirth: A Patient-
Centered Approach to Discussing Patient
Care”
TA: Whitney Russell

Veronika Michels **

“The Long-Term Effects of Imperialism: A
Country Causing Its Own Self-Destruction”
TA: Joel Fullerton

Noah Millman **

“Breaking the Silence: A Study on German
Complicity in the Armenian Genocide”
TA: Joel Palhegyi

Casey O’Hara

“Double Indemnity: French Existentialism and
Film Noire”
TA: Joel Fullerton

Anushka Rastogi

“Rape During the Rwanda Genocide and Its
Effect on International Law”
TA: Vanessa Bateman

Susanti Sarkar

“The India Pakistan Partition: Miscalculation
or Success?”
TA: Taylor Gray

Katherine Schneiderman

“Temple to Stage: The Evolution of Indian
Dance under Colonial Rule”
TA: Taylor Gray

Kavya Tallapaka

“The Role of Media and Literacy in Altering
Fertility Rates in India”
TA: Joel Palhegyi

Joshua Then

“World War II: The Catalyst for French
Women’s Employment”
TA: Ivana Polic

Signe Wurtz

“School Choice or “Separate but Equal”? White
Flight and Resegregation in the Charter School
Era”
TA: Whitney Russell

Alice Yepremyan

“Confronting Ottoman History: Mutual Loss
or Genocide?”
TA: Vanessa Bateman

*MMW 121 Showcase Honorees
Fall 2016*

Zachary Airola **

“To Perceive to Be Human: A Manifesto”
TA: Tim Shea

Ke Xin Bao

“Attaining Humanity: A Manifesto to Unlock
the “Good Life””
TA: Ben Smuin

Natalie Baruch **

“A Manifesto on Humanity and the Earth”
TA: Reuben Silverman

Amber Besselman

“Finding Balance on the Pre-Med Path”
TA: Mirna Wasef

Annemarie Branks

“Renouncing the Traditional Patriarchy in the
United States”
TA: Reuben Silverman

David Dawson

“Mending the Schism: Why Justice and Mercy
Must Reunite for Mankind to Do the Same”
TA: Ian Jones

Coryn Hill

“Guiding Our Way Towards the ‘Good Life’”
TA: Vanessa Bateman

Conner Irwin

“The Small Fish in the Big Pond”
TA: Mirna Wasef

Vincent Lam

“Why Do We Attend College?”
TA: Vanessa Bateman

Shuning Li

“Manifesto”
TA: Whitney Russell

Allison Naui

“The Benefit of Mankind”
TA: Mirna Wasef

Erik Nilsen

“Basic Income: A Manifesto for Economic
Freedom”
TA: Reuben Silverman

Kevin Nguyen **

“Molding Mindfulness for the Future of
Medicine”
TA: Taylor Gray

Samantha Paul

“Against Ignorance”
TA: Whitney Russell

Meghan Ramsey **

“Equality Misconception”
TA: Vanessa Bateman

Ariah Sanemeterio

“The Catharsis of Life: Man’s Idiomatic
Catalyst for Death”
TA: Reuben Silverman

Jerry Scott

“Morality in the Face of Mortality: How to
Escape Death and Live a Better Life”
TA: Ben Smuin

Harumi Togo

“Faith in the Future”
TA: Tim Shea

Milad Torabi **

“Learning: More than Just a Means to an End”
TA: Vanessa Bateman

Danny Tran

“On Being Human: An Analytical Manifesto”
TA: Whitney Russell

Timothy Walker

“Striking a Balance: A Manifesto for the Over-
Use of Technology in Our Lives”
TA: Reuben Silverman

Matt Warren

“Please Silence Your Phones Now: A
Manifesto”
TA: Reuben Silverman

Christina Wiese

“A Call to Disarm Human Preoccupation with
Death and Afterlife”
TA: Ben Smuin

Dongchen Zhao

“The Meaning of Suffering”
TA: Taylor Gray

MMW 122 Showcase Honorees
Winter 2017

Zachary Airola **

“Inequality and the Ideological Conservation of Class Suppression”
TA: David Salomon

Natalie Baruch **

“Publicly Financed Elections: The Great Equalizer”
TA: David Salomon

Michael Dawson

“Intelligence Agencies: Balancing Secrecy and Transparency”
TA: Kevin Stahl

Travis Gilbert

“Leninism to Stalinism: A Debate No Longer Hidden”
TA: Whitney Russell

Jillian Goguen

“Eutrophication: Terrestrial Origins to Global Marine Problems”
TA: Mirna Wasef

Julia Hall

“My Body, My Right? A Look at the Global Sex Work and Trafficking Industries”
TA: Taylor Gray

Fabian Heinzel

“Stopping the People to Save Democracy”
TA: David Salomon

Joy Johnson

“Reducing Food Waste: A Global Initiative”
TA: Kevin Stahl

Min Kim

“Nuclear-weaponized Countries: Standing on the Edge of Precipice”
TA: Tim Shea

Jeff Koretke

“Solutions to Combating Climate Change”
TA: Kevin Stahl

Michael Markulin

“Mitigating Prison Population Growth by Lowering Recidivism Rates”
TA: Mirna Wasef

Emilie McNally-Reimers

“The Question That Effects 420 Million People”
TA: Whitney Russell

Edwin Nahapatian

“Unity Against Pollution”
TA: Kevin Stahl

Zayra Nicifore

“Braded Warriors”
TA: Whitney Russell

Kevin Nguyen **

“The Community and Corporate Realm Bites Back Against Malaria”
TA: Mirna Wasef

Kimya Nourbakhsh

“Bringing an End to Sexual Assault”
TA: David Salomon

Alicia Okimura

“The Arising Pollution: U.S. and China”
TA: Mirna Wasef

Meghan Ramsey **

“Believing Without Seeing: Faith in Climate Change”
TA: David Salomon

Luna Sano

“Mass Media Eating Us Away?”
TA: Mirna Wasef

Madison Smith

“Humanity and Security: A Spectrum of Potential Refugee Policy”
TA: Mirna Wasef

Saraqa Smith

“Mental Wellness: A Global Necessity”
TA: Kevin Stahl

Milad Torabi **

“Tuberculosis: Final Steps Toward Eradication”
TA: Kevin Stahl

David Von Ellen

“The Failed “War on Drugs””
TA: Taylor Gray

Jessica Vu

“Cutting Out Genetically Linked Diseases: The Cure to Saving Lives”
TA: Kevin Stahl

Linlin Zhou

“The Focus of Global Warming”
TA: Whitney Russell