John Topham and Susan Redd Butler Off-Campus Faculty Research Awards

James Ayres, University of Arizona, “The Manufacturing and Marketing of Railroad Ties in the Uinta Mountains of Utah, 1867-ca. 1940”

Julius Bailey, University of Redlands, “That Hardy Race: The Growth of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in the American West”

John Beusterien, Texas Tech University, “Animals in Spanish New Mexico”

Simon Fass, University of Texas at Dallas, “Memory and Meaning: Tabernacles of the Intermountain West”


Mark Harvey, North Dakota State University, “Bernard DeVoto, Western History, and the Public Lands”

Adam Jortner, Auburn University, “Witchcraft Trials and Modernity in 1854 New Mexico”

Timothy LeCain, Montana State University, “The Fertile Stones: An Environmental History of the Southeast Idaho Phosphate Mining and Fertilizer Industry”

Clyde Milner, Arkansas State University, “The West Becomes America: Pioneer Memory, Public Celebration, and National Heritage”

John Monnett, Metropolitan State College of Denver, “Climate Change and the Struggle for the Northern Plains and Intermountain Basins, 1856-1868”

Quincy Newell, University of Wyoming, “African American and Native American Mormons in 19th-Century Utah Periodicals”


Richard Quartaroli, Northern Arizona University, “Dock Marston: Dean of Colorado River Historians”

Steven Sabol, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, “The Touch of Civilization: American Colonization of the Sioux and Russian Colonization of the Kazakhs”

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Val Brinkerhoff, Brigham Young University, “Parowan Gap Photographs”

Susan Rugh, Brigham Young University, “No Vacancy: A Cultural History of the American Roadside Motel”
Summer Awards for BYU Upper Division and Graduate Students

Michele Bendall, Brigham Young University, “Undocumented Immigrants and Crime: An Analysis of Utah Jails and Prisons”

Jessica Gamez, Brigham Young University, “Multiracial/Multicultural Young Adult Navajos on Identity & Acculturation”

Bryan Hamilton, Brigham Young University, “Use of stable isotopes to quantify feeding and reproduction in the Great Basin rattlesnake (Crotalus lutosus)”

Amy Johnson, Brigham Young University, “Feral horse (Equus caballus) impacts on pronghorn antelope (Antilocapra americana) use of watering holes on the Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge”

Julie Miller, Brigham Young University, “A Study of the American Black Bear (Ursus americanus) in Utah”

Summer Awards for Off-Campus Upper Division and Graduate Students

Matthew Alexander, University of North Texas, “Evolution of New Mexican Foodways and Identity: Anglo American Influence on the Native American and Spanish Chile Culture of New Mexico”


Ryan Bergstrom, Kansas State University, “Perceptions of Sustainability in Amenity-driven Communities of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem”

Erica Bigio, University of Arizona, “A fire history reconstruction of the western San Juan Mountains, Colorado using tree-ring and alluvial sediment methods”

Chris Blanchard, Portland State University, “Economic development in the post-War Intermountain West”

Stephanie Capaldo, University of Arizona, “Smoke and Mirrors: Smelter Pollution and the Cultural Construction of Environmental Justice in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands”

Thomas Evans, Montana State University, “Fluvial Transport and Deposition of Bones”

Lindsey Feldman, University of Arizona, “Oral Histories of Modern Ranching in Southern Arizona and Historical Perspectives of the West: Who is at Work on the Range?”

Matthew Fockler, Montana State University, “The National Forest Imperative: A Historical Geography of National Forest Landscapes, Land Use, and Policy, Northern Rockies, Montana”
Rachel Guberman, University of Pennsylvania, “The Real Silent Majority: The New Metropolitan Politics in the Rocky Mountain West”


Michael Lee, University of Colorado, Boulder, “Guggenheim for Governor: Antisemitism, Race, and the Politics of Gilded Age Colorado”

Marinella Lentis, University of Arizona, “Art Education in Federal Boarding Schools: Tool of Assimilation, Tool of Resistance”

Natalie Rose, Michigan State University, “Building up Generations of Women: Mormon Mothers and Daughters, 1878 to 1955”

Ian Stacy, University of Montana-Missoula, “The Last Conservationist: Floyd Dominy and the End of Federal Reclamation in the American West”

Julie Stidolph, University of Oklahoma, “To Be Known as a Woman: Race, Gender, and Reform on the Wind River Reservation”

Jason Strykowski, University of New Mexico, “Impossible Heights: Miners, Climbing, Skiing and the Development of the Western Mountain”

Independent Research and Creative Works Awards

Bruce Carpenter, “The Historical Writing of Joseph Fish”

Paul Jensen, “All in A Day’s Ride: Life Along Horse Creek in the Wyoming Range – From Legendary Mountain Men to Early Homesteaders”

Rebekah Monahan, “Utah at the Columbian Exposition in Chicago”

Annaley Naegle Redd Student Award in Women’s History

Katherine Massoth, University of Iowa, “That Was Women’s Work: Gendered Labor, Ethnic Identity, and Citizenship in the American Southwest, 1846-1912”

Public Programming Awards


American West Center, “At Work in the West and the Rest of the US”


Camp Floyd/Stagecoach Inn State Park, “Fairfield District Schoolhouse and Early Education in Utah and the Rural West”
Museum of Peoples and Culture, Brigham Young University, “Museum of Peoples and Cultures 50th Anniversary Symposium”

Northwestern Band of Shoshone Nations, “Remembering Washakie: Phase 1 Oral History Project”

Pikes Peak Library District, “Behind the Lens: Photography in the Pikes Peak Region” and “Framing Community/Exposing Identity: Photographs of Life at the Foot of Pikes Peak”

Utah Humanities Council, “Intermountain West author to present at the 14th annual Utah Humanities Book Festival”

Utah Museum of Fine Arts, “LeConte Stewart: Depression Era Art”

The Western Literature Association, “Bodies, Rest, and Motion: Stasis and Mobility in the North American West” – the 46th Annual Conference of the Western Literature Association, October 5-8, 2011, Missoula, MT


Fellowship Awards in Western American History

Zeb Baker, Georgia Southern University, “‘For the lucre of the Great Society’: Brigham Young University, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Rise of the Black Athlete”

Mindi Sitterud, University of Arizona, “Labor, Religion, and Community Dynamics in Utah's Coalfields”

Annaley Naegle Redd Research Assistantships

Matthew Bekker, Brigham Young University, “Reconstruction of Avalanche Occurrence and Risk Assessment in the Southern Wasatch Front from Tree Rings”

Craig Coleman, Brigham Young University, “Outcrossing and Variability in the Cheatgrass Invasion of the Intermountain West”

Fred Woods, Brigham Young University, “Icelanders Gather to Utah (1855 to 1914)”

Karl and Mollie Butler Young Scholar Award

Brad Barber, Theater and Media Arts, Brigham Young University

Quin Monson, Political Science, Brigham Young University

Sam St. Clair, Plant and Wildlife Sciences, Brigham Young University