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Our congratulations to the following award recipients for Excellence in Scholarship!

Market Access International, Inc. Award for Excellence in Scholarship in the Humanities and Social Sciences - $1,000.00
EVE BOURBEAU-ALLARD
The College of William and Mary, History, Advisor: Dr. Karin Wulf
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VITEK JIRINEC
The College of William and Mary, Physics, Advisor: Dr. Matthias Leu

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J ANI NE BOLDT
American Studies, Advisor: Dr. Alan Braddock
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J ENNA CARLSON
Anthropology, Advisor: Dr. Neil Norman
ED HUNT
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STEPHANIE CHIN
Biology Department, MS, Advisor: Dr. Dan Cristol
J EREMY ABRAMOWITZ
Public Policy Program, MPP, Advisor: Dr. Sarah Stafford
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- The Committee on Sustainability (COS) is accepting applications for the following 2015-2016 positions. For more information and to apply please visit [COS Steering Committee Member]. The deadline to apply is April 9th. Please email any questions to Calandra Waters Lake at waterslake@wm.edu.

Reminders

- Aaron Koehl, Computer Science will present his Dissertation Defense, titled: Scalability and Performance Implications of Middleware for Non-Traditional Web Clients, Wednesday, April 8th 2015 from 1pm - 2:45pm in Millington Hall, Room 150

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2nd Annual Grad Volleyball Cookout.  This event is co-sponsored by the Graduate Student Association (Arts & Sciences) and the Graduate Council (all grad students), and will be held on April 21: One Tribe, One Day. We'll have opportunities to and information about giving to the College and maybe some fun raffle prizes! See you there! Tomorrow - Tuesday, April 21st 2015 from 5pm - 8pm in the Lettie Pate Whitehead Evans Graduate Complex. More

Announcements

- Kevin Valliant, American Studies will present his Dissertation Defense Tuesday, April 21st 2015 from 12pm - 1:30pm in the College Apartments, Room 9 More

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- On Monday, May 25th 2015, Memorial Day, college offices will be closed but classes will be in Session.

Reminders

- **The Office of Graduate Studies and Research REQUIRES all returning A&S graduate students to register by July 1.** Failure to register for courses by the July 1 deadline can result in you being withdrawn from your program as you are not in good standing with the College when this occurs. Please contact your dept/program immediately if you have any questions. Please contact Wanda Carter (wdcart@wm.edu) if you are graduating in August 2015. If you have filed to graduate for August 2015 but you need to change your graduation date, you will need to register by the July 1 deadline and resubmit your notice of candidacy for January or May 2016.

- **New Continuous Enrollment Form required** -- In order to remain in good standing, Continuous Enrollment is the required registration status for Arts & Sciences graduate students who are not enrolled either full-time or part-time. Students must complete the form and obtain the signature of their graduate director and must return this form to the Office of the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research on or before the first day of class.

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