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The following faculty have received Humanities Release Time for AY 2010-2011:

Jovita Baber, for "The Construction of Empire: Law, Politics and Community in Tlaxcala, New Spain, 1521-1640"


Ken Cuno, for "Family History in Egypt: Marriage, Family and Law in the Long Nineteenth Century"

Megan McLaughlin, for "Bodies that Speak: Demoniacs, Prophets, and Visionaries in the Central Middle Ages"

The Journal of Late Antiquity, edited by Ralph Mathisen, was given a "Finalist/Honorable Mention" award by PROSE (the American Publishers Award for Professional and Scholarly Excellence) in the category "Best New Journal/Social Sciences and Humanities"

Tamara Chaplin has been awarded a fellowship at the Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities for her project "French Kiss: Mediating Sex in Postwar France (1945-2000)"

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Eugene Avrutin’s book, Photographing the Jewish Nation, is a finalist for the National Jewish Book Award in the visual arts category. It is co-edited with Harriet Murav of the UIUC Slavic Languages and Literatures Department.

Sundiata Cha Jua, who has a joint appointment with the Department of African American Studies, has been awarded a fellowship to the UIUC Center for Advanced Study for "Beyond the Rape Myth: Black Resistance to Lynching, 1867-1930."
Behrooz Ghamari, who is jointly appointed in Sociology, has won a year long fellowship at the Wissenschaftskolleg in Berlin for AY 2010-11 for his project, “From Keys to Paradise to Coupons for Social Security: The Conception of Trauma and the Iranian Veterans of the Iran-Iraq War.”

Kristin Hoganson has been awarded a fellowship to the UIUC Center for Advanced Study for “Prairie Routes: Making a Global Heartland.”

Clarence Lang, who has a joint appointment with the Department of African American Studies, has been awarded a Helen Corley Petit Award for AY 10-11. This honor is given for extraordinary accomplishment during the tenure probation period by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

*The Journal of Late Antiquity*, edited by Ralph Mathisen, has received honorable mention for the Best New Journal prize by the Council of Editors of Learned Journals.

Mark Micale has received support from the Study in a Second Discipline project on campus for a book provisionally entitled “The Global Psychiatric State.”