

## **HISTORY DEPARTMENT AWARDS**

Each spring the History Department makes a number of Awards for excellence. Our purpose is to recognize outstanding student performance in the study and/or teaching of History.

Application materials should be submitted electronically (in word or PDF format) to [williamsma@wpunj.edu](mailto:williamsma@wpunj.edu) (Atrium 217) no later than **February 21st**.

All awards will be given to seniors who will graduate in May and/or who graduated in the previous August and December. An exception is the "Livio Stecchini Award," to which all eligible majors/minors can apply.

### **I. AWARDS to be recognized at THE UNIVERSITY'S HONORS CONVOCATION CEREMONY and THE HISTORY DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET**

#### **History Paul Vouras Award to Graduating Senior**

One \$250 award donated by Professor Paul Vouras. Scholarship is awarded to an academically outstanding senior majoring in History who is planning on continuing on a graduate level or who is an outstanding Phi Alpha Theta member.

Application Procedure:

- 1) The Awards Committee will notify eligible students;
- 2) Student will complete the History Department's common award application;
- 3) Student will submit supporting materials, including a statement, resume, and two essays\*

#### **Outstanding Graduating Senior Award in History**

Awarded to an academically outstanding History major, chiefly based upon overall and major GPA.

Application Procedure:

- 1) The Awards Committee will notify eligible students;
- 2) Student will complete the History Department's common award application;
- 3) Student will submit supporting materials, including a statement, resume, and two essays\*

#### **Education and History Award to Graduating Senior**

Awarded to an academically outstanding History major who is also pursuing a degree in Elementary or Secondary Education, chiefly based upon overall and major GPA.

Application Procedure:

- 1) The Awards Committee will notify eligible students;
- 2) Student will complete the History Department's common award application;
- 3) Student will submit supporting materials, including a statement, resume, and two essays\*

## **II. AWARDS to be recognized at HISTORY DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET**

### **Patricia Ripmaster Award to Outstanding Graduating Senior Pursuing Teaching Certification**

Awarded to an academically outstanding History major who is also pursuing a degree in Elementary or Secondary Education, chiefly based upon overall and major GPA.

Application Procedure:

- 1) The Awards Committee will notify eligible students;
- 2) Student will complete the History Department's common award application;
- 3) Student will submit supporting materials, including a statement, resume, and two essays\*

### **Livio Stecchini Award For Outstanding History Student**

Awarded annually to a student who demonstrates academic excellence and service to the History Department.

Application Procedure:

- 1) Students should self-nominate for this position
- 2) Student will complete the History Department's common award application;
- 3) Student will submit supporting materials, including a statement, resume, and two essays\*
- 4) Student should also submit evidence of his/her service to the History department

### **Outstanding History Minor Award:**

Awarded annually to a history minor who demonstrates academic excellence, chiefly determined by GPA and faculty recommendation.

Application Procedure:

- 1) Faculty will submit eligible candidates for consideration
- 2) The Awards Committee will select the award recipient

### **Academic Excellent Award Certificates**

All graduating seniors whose overall GPAs are over 3.65 will be awarded with an award certificate. The Awards Committee will inform these students.

**\*Note:** As part of their awards applications, students should complete the common award application, and submit supporting materials, including a brief statement, resume, and two essays, including a research paper, and/or a historiographical essay from a 2600, 3000 or 4000 level course in the Department that was taken within the preceding 12 months. The papers must conform to the Department guidelines regarding format and citations. Minor modifications (format, spelling, syntax) of the original graded paper are acceptable.

