Outstanding Master’s Theses/Projects: 2010-2011

The Theses/projects of the following students received their departments’ Outstanding Thesis or Project Awards for 2010-2011.

**Human Services**
Constance Baker  
Committee Chair: Carolyn Peck  
*Age-Related Diseases Among Adults with Down Syndrome*

**Liberal and Integrative Studies**
Julie Collins Bates  
Committee Chair: Kathy Petite Jamison  

**Political Science**
Gene W. Giannotta  
Committee Chair: Pinky Wassenberg  
*The Problems of Command: Obama, McChrystal, and American Civil-Military Relations in Operation Enduring Freedom*

**Educational Leadership**
Bridget Gorokhovsky  
Committee Chair: Dan Matthews  
*Teachers’ Perceptions of the Influence of Curriculum Teams on Curriculum Success and Teachers Satisfaction*

**Environmental Studies**
Natalie (Mentzer) Porter  
Committee Chair: Tih-Fen Ting  
*A Management Plan for the Reconstructed Prairie at the University of Illinois at Springfield*

**Communication**
Carol Leonie Maria Schulte  
Committee Chair: Elizabeth Ribarsky  
*End-of-Life Discourses Between Mothers and Daughters*

**History – Presentation of Special Merit Award**
Amanda Dahlquist  
Committee Chair: Deborah McGregor  
*Legislating Motherhood: The History of the Mothers’ Aid Law in Montgomery County, Illinois*
English – Presentation of Outstanding Master’s Thesis Award
Stephanie Marie Ebersohl
Committee Chair: Donna Bussell
*Holy Women, Secular Ecstasies: Sex and the Sacred in Dante’s Divina Commedia*