Two Thousand Fourteen

Faculty Distinction

Celebrating the awards, honors and recognition of the Faculty of Arts & Sciences
The Faculty of the Arts and Sciences at Columbia University comprises a remarkable array of professors who have been recognized with some of the world's most prestigious scholarly awards and honors. Over the course of the last academic year, four faculty members were elected to the National Academy of Sciences and three were elected fellows of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Our faculty also received nine honorary degrees, five Guggenheim fellowships, and one Tony Award nomination, in addition to a whole host of other awards and honors. In short, our faculty is exceptional.

Standing at the forefront of our distinguished faculty is a commitment to teaching that bears the rigorous and disciplined hallmark of our university. At Columbia, we champion undergraduate, graduate and professional education and celebrate the professors who continue to advance this rich tradition. Through the excellence of our faculty, a Columbia education prepares our students for fulfilling and successful careers that leave a positive mark on the world.

Carlos J. Alonso  
Dean of the Graduate School of Arts & Sciences  
Vice President for Graduate Education  
Morris A. and Alma Schapiro Professor in the Humanities

David B. Madigan  
Executive Vice President for Arts & Sciences  
Dean of the Faculty of Arts & Sciences  
Professor of Statistics

James J. Valentini  
Dean of Columbia College  
Vice President for Undergraduate Education  
Henry L. and Lucy G. Moses Professor
Rachel Adams

*Professor of English and Comparative Literature*

Delta Kappa Gamma Educators Award
Schoff Publication Award from the University Seminars program

Allison Busch

*Associate Professor of Middle Eastern, South Asian and African Studies*

Collaborative Research Award, American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS)

Antoine Compagnon

*Blanche W. Knopf Professor of French and Comparative Literature*

Honorary Degree, University of Liège, Belgium

Susan Crane

*Parr Professor of English and Comparative Literature*

2014–2016 Elected President of the New Chaucer Society
Jeremy Dauber

_Atran Professor of Yiddish Language, Literature and Culture_

Finalist, National Jewish Book Award for _The Worlds of Sholem Aleichem_

American Library Association’s Sophie Brody Honor Book Award for _The Worlds of Sholem Aleichem_

Souleymane Bachir Diagne

_Professor of French_

2013 Elected Member of the Steering Committee of the International Federation of Philosophical Societies

2013 Elected Member of the Board of the _Société Francophone de Philosophie de la Religion_ in Strasbourg

Mamadou Diouf

_Leitner Family Professor of African Studies_

2014 Awarded Chevalier of the French Legion of Honor
Kevin Fellezs
Assistant Professor of Music
Provost Grant for Junior Faculty Who Contribute to the Diversity Goals of the University

John Gamber
Assistant Professor of English and Comparative Literature
Finalist, Association for the Study of Literature and Environment (ASLE) award for outstanding work of ecocriticism from 2012 to 2013

Brad Garton
Professor of Music
First recipient of the Klingler Electroacoustic Residency, Bowling Green State University

T. Austin Graham
Assistant Professor of English and Comparative Literature
Woodress Visiting Scholar Award
Erik Gray
Associate Professor of English and Comparative Literature
Lenfest Distinguished Faculty Award

Matthew Hart
Assistant Professor of English and Comparative Literature
2013 Prize for Best Essay published in Modern Fiction Studies (MFS)

Marianne Hirsch
William Peterfield Trent Professor of English
2014 Fellowship at the Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Study

Axel Honneth
Jack C. Weinstein Professor of the Humanities
Honorary Doctorate, University of Bordeaux Montaigne
2014 Honorary Doctorate, University of Rennes
Elizabeth Irwin
Associate Professor of Classics
Spring 2015 National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Fellowship, American School of Classical Studies at Athens

Philip Kitcher
John Dewey Professor of Philosophy
2013 Honorary Doctorate, Erasmus University, Rotterdam

Holger Klein
Professor of Art History and Archaeology
2013 Columbia University, Provost’s Leadership Fellow
2014 Wm. Theodore de Bary Award for Distinguished Service to the Core

Eugenia Lean
Associate Professor of East Asian Languages and Cultures
Faculty Mentoring Award, Graduate School of Arts & Sciences
Fred Lerdahl

Fritz Reiner Professor of Musical Composition

Annual American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) Award

Sharon Marcus

Orlando Harriman Professor of English and Dean of Humanities

Public Voices Fellowship to participate in the OpEd Project
Elected a Fellow of the New York Institute for the Humanities

Graciela Montaldo

Professor of Latin American and Iberian Cultures

Honor al Mérito Medal

Ioannis Mylonopoulos

Associate Professor of Art History and Archaeology

Lenfest Distinguished Faculty Award
Frances Negrón-Muntaner

*Associate Professor of English and Comparative Literature*

Named North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA) Expert

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Gustavo Pérez-Firmat

*David Feinson Professor of Humanities*

2013 Featured Writer, Eastern North Carolina Literary Homecoming, East Carolina University

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Sheldon Pollock

*Arvind Raghunathan Professor of South Asian Studies*

2014 Person of the Year (India Abroad)

2013 Keynote Address, *Zunkunftsfhilologie/Forum Transregionale Studien*, Humboldt University, Berlin

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Jesús Rodríguez-Velasco

*Professor of Latin American and Iberian Cultures*

2014 Invited to deliver the John Kronik Memorial Lecture
Elaine Sisman

Anne Parsons Bender Professor of Music

Elected Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences

Joseph Slaughter

Associate Professor of English and Comparative Literature

Elected President of the American Comparative Literature Association (ACLA)

Josef Sorett

Assistant Professor of Religion

Woodrow Wilson Career Enhancement Fellowship for Junior Faculty
Gayatri Spivak

*University Professor*

2013 South Asian Literary Association Distinguished Achievement Award

2013 *Doctorado Honoris Causa, Universidad Nacional de San Martín*

2014 Doctor of Letters, *Honoris Causa*, University of St. Andrews

2014 Education Leadership Award, World Corporate Universities Congress

2014 Glocal Hero Award, Transatlantyk Festival, Poznan, Poland

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Joanna Stalnaker

*Associate Professor of French*

Lenfest Distinguished Faculty Award

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Colm Tóibín

*Irene and Sidney B. Silverman Professor of the Humanities*

Tony Award nomination for *The Testament of Mary*

Man Booker nomination for *The Testament of Mary*

Honorary Doctorate, University of East Anglia
Pier Mattia Tommasino
Assistant Professor of Italian
Prize: “Enrico De Nard”
2013 Archivio Storico di Belluno Feltre e Cadore (Belluno, Italy)

Gareth Williams
Violin Family Professor of Classics
2013 Goodwin Award of Merit, American Philological Association (APA)
Marcel Agüeros

Assistant Professor of Astronomy

Provost Grant for Junior Faculty Who Contribute to the Diversity Goals of the University

David Blei

Professor of Statistics and of Computer Science

2013 ACM-Infosys Foundation Award

Ronald Breslow

University Professor

Topliss Award, University of Michigan

Frank Westheimer Medal, Harvard University

2014 American Institute of Chemists (AIC) Gold Medal

Wallace Broecker

Newberry Professor of Earth and Environmental Sciences

2014 Doctor of Science, *Honoris Causa*, Oxford University

2014 Dean’s Award for Distinguished Achievement, Graduate School of Arts & Sciences
Louis E. Brus

_Samuel Latham Mitchell Professor of Chemistry and Professor of Chemical Engineering_

Prize in Chemistry from the Welch Foundation

Luis M. Campos

_Assistant Professor of Chemistry_

2014 National Science Foundation (NSF) CAREER Award
2014 3M Non-Tenured Faculty Award
2014 American Chemical Society (ACS) Polymeric Materials: Science & Engineering (PMSE) Young Investigator Symposium

Mark Cane

_G. Unger Vetlesen Professor of Earth and Climate Sciences and Professor of Applied Physics and Applied Mathematics_

2013 Member, (US) National Academy of Sciences
2014 Maurice Ewing Medal, American Geophysical Union (AGU)

Martin Chalfie

_University Professor_

2014 Keynote Lecture, Oliver Smithies Nobel Symposium
Larry Chasin

William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Biological Sciences

Named Professorship: William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Biological Sciences

Ivan Corwin

Associate Professor of Mathematics

Rollo Davidson Prize

Poincaré Chair, Institute Henri Poincaré (first laureate)

Samuel Danishefsky

Centennial Professor of Chemistry

2014 American Chemical Society (ACS) Ralph F. Hirschmann Award in Peptide Chemistry

Richard Davis

Howard Levene Professor of Statistics

President-Elect of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics (IMS) Council
Cory Dean
Assistant Professor of Physics

National Science Foundation (NSF) CAREER Award

Kenneth Eisenthal
Mark Hyman Professor of Chemistry

2014 American Chemical Society (ACS) Award in Colloid and Surface Chemistry

Joachim Frank
Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics and of Biological Sciences

2014 Benjamin Franklin Medal in Life Science

Robert Friedman
Professor of Mathematics

Mark Van Doren Teaching Award
Richard Friesner

William P. Schweitzer Professor of Chemistry

Named Professorship: William P. Schweitzer Professor of Chemistry

Ruben Gonzalez

Associate Professor of Chemistry

2014 Alumnus Member, Phi Beta Kappa, Epsilon Chapter of Florida

2014 Finalist for the Blavatnik National Awards for Young Scientists

Arnold Gordon

Professor of Earth and Environmental Sciences

2014 Fellow, Atmospheric and Hydrospheric Sciences, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

Brian Greene

Professor of Mathematics and of Physics

Merck-Serono Book Prize for Literature and Science for The Hidden Reality: Parallel Universes and the Deep Laws of the Cosmos

2013 Best Documentary, Jackson Hole Film Festival, for Fabric of the Cosmos
Miklos Gyulassy
Professor of Physics
Selected first of 142 Outstanding Referees of Physical Review and Physical Review Letters

Carl L. Hart
Associate Professor of Psychology (in Psychiatry)
Mothers Against Teen Violence Humanitarian Award
Brooklyn Family Defense Practice Service Award
PEN/E. O. Wilson Literary Science Writing Award for *High Price*

Don Hood
James F. Bender Professor in Psychology; Professor of Ophthalmic Sciences (in Ophthalmology)
Elected Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences

Peter Kelemen
Arthur D. Storke Memorial Professor of Earth and Environmental Sciences
Lenfest Distinguished Faculty Award
2014 Member, (US) National Academy of Sciences
Jubilee International Visiting Fellow, University of Southampton, UK
James Manley
*Julian Clarence Levi Professor of the Life Sciences*
Chinese Academy of Sciences Einstein Professorship

Robert Mawhinney
*Professor of Physics*
2013 Elected Fellow of the American Physical Society (APS)

Ann McDermott
*Esther Breslow Professor of Biological Chemistry and Professor of Biological Sciences and of Chemical Engineering*
Bourke Award of the Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC)
2014 Gunther Laukien Prize for Magnetic Resonance

Jerry McManus
*Professor of Earth and Environmental Sciences*
2013–2014 Best Teacher, Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences
Don Melnick

*Thomas Hunt Morgan Professor of Conservation and Biology and Professor of Anthropology and of Biological Sciences*

Lenfest Distinguished Faculty Award

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Brian Metzger

*Assistant Professor of Physics*

2014 Sloan Fellowship

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Elizabeth Miller

*Associate Professor of Biological Sciences*

2013 Women in Cell Biology Sustained Excellence in Research Award

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Andrew Millis

*Professor of Physics*

Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)
Wei Min
Assistant Professor of Chemistry
2014 George Fraenkel Fund Award

Rachel Ollivier
Assistant Professor of Mathematics
Provost Grant for Junior Faculty Who Contribute to the Diversity Goals of the University

Gerard Parkin
Professor of Chemistry
2014 Ludwig Mond Award

Abhay Pasupathy
Associate Professor of Physics
Office of Naval Research (ONR) Young Investigator Award
Dana Pe’er
Associate Professor of Biological Sciences
2014 Overton Prize

Duong Phong
Professor of Mathematics
Elected Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences

Terry Plank
Arthur D. Storke Memorial Professor of Earth and Environmental Sciences
2013 Member, (US) National Academy of Sciences

Carol Prives
DaCosta Professor of Biology
Honorary Doctorate, McGill University


Philip Protter

*Professor of Statistics*

Invited to deliver the Institute of Mathematical Statistics (IMS) Public Lecture

Karl Menger Lecturer


Valerie Purdie-Vaughns

*Associate Professor of Psychology*

Lenfest Distinguished Faculty Award

Research Initiatives in Science and Engineering (RISE) Award


Xavier Roy

*Assistant Professor of Chemistry*

2013 Department of Energy (DOE) Postdoctoral Researcher Competition Award


Dustin Rubenstein

*Associate Professor of Ecology, Evolution and Environmental Biology*

Elected Member, American Ornithologists’ Union
Ozgur Sahin

*Associate Professor of Biological Sciences and of Physics*

National Institute of Health (NIH) Director’s New Innovator Award

Packard Fellowship for Science and Engineering

Daphna Shohamy

*Associate Professor of Psychology*

Young Investigators Award, Society for Neuroeconomics

Young Investigators Award, Cognitive Neuroscience Society

Adam Sobel

*Professor of Applied Physics and Applied Mathematics and of Earth and Environmental Sciences*

2014 Atmospheric Sciences Ascent Award, American Geophysical Union (AGU)

2014 Award in Climate and Extreme Weather, AXA Research Fund

Brent Stockwell

*Professor of Chemistry and of Biological Sciences*

Named a National Academies Education Fellow in the Sciences

Lenfest Distinguished Faculty Award
Maria Uriarte
Professor of Ecology, Evolution and Environmental Biology
Received an award from the Science Foundation of the State of Rio de Janeiro (FAPERJ)

Rafael Yuste
Professor of Biological Sciences and of Neuroscience
National Institute of Health (NIH) Director’s Pioneer Award
Lenfest Distinguished Faculty Award

William A. Zajc
Professor of Physics
2014 T.W. Bonner Prize in Nuclear Physics, American Physical Society (APS)

Tian Zheng
Associate Professor of Statistics
2014 American Statistical Association (ASA) Fellow
Peter Bearman
Jonathan R. Cole Professor of the Sociology
2014 Elected to the National Academy of Sciences

Elizabeth Blackmar
Professor of History
Lenfest Distinguished Faculty Award

Christopher Blattman
Associate Professor of International and Public Affairs and of Political Science
Robert O. Keohane Award for best research article published in International Organization

Jean Cohen
Nell and Herbert M. Singer Professor of Contemporary Civilization
2014 Distinguished Scholar in Residence Award at the PluriCourts Institute, University of Oslo
2013 Distinguished Alumna Award, New School for Social Research
Michael Doyle
*Harold Brown Professor of US Foreign and Security Policy and Professor of Law and of Political Science*

2014 Doctor of Laws, *Honoris Causa*, University of Warwick, UK

Robert Erikson
*Professor of Political Science*

American Political Science Association (APSA) MacJewell Enduring Book Contribution Award, State Politics and Policy Section, for *Statehouse Democracy*

Catherine Fennell
*Assistant Professor of Anthropology*

Cultural Horizons Prize for “The Museum of Resilience: Raising a Sympathetic Public in Postwelfare Chicago”

Eric Foner
*DeWitt Clinton Professor of History*

2013 Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, State University of New York

2013 John Commerford Labor Education Award, New York State Labor History Association

2014 Lincoln Award, Lincoln Group of the District of Columbia

*Premio Cherasco Storia*: Best History Book of the Year
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Professor of Political Science
Lenfest Distinguished Teaching Award

Carol Gluck
George Sansom Professor of History and Professor of East Asian Language and Cultures
Appointed the Cleveringa Professor at the University of Leiden

Fredrick C. Harris
Professor of Political Science
Hurston/Wright Legacy Award for Nonfiction for *Price of the Ticket: Barack Obama and the Rise and Decline of Black Politics*

Macartan Humphreys
Professor of Political Science
American Political Science Association (APSA) Sage Prize for best paper in qualitative methodology
Kenneth Jackson

Jacques Barzun Professor in History and the Social Sciences

Elected President of the New York Academy of History

Karl Jacoby

Professor of History

Guggenheim Fellowship

Russell Sage Foundation Visiting Scholar

Robert Jervis

Adlai E. Stevenson Professor and Professor of International and Public Affairs

Elected to the American Philosophical Society (APS)

Laurea ad honorem, Ca’ Foscari University of Venice
Ira Katznelson

*Ruggles Professor of Political Science and History*

2014 Bancroft Prize for *Fear Itself: The New Deal and the Origins of Our Time*

American Political Science Association (APSA) Woodrow Wilson Foundation Award

American Political Science Association (APSA) J. David Greenstone Award, Politics and History Section

Sidney Hillman Award for Book Journalism

Supreet Kaur

*Assistant Professor of Economics and of International and Public Affairs*

Provost Grant for Junior Faculty Who Contribute to the Diversity Goals of the University

Alice Kessler-Harris

*R. Gordon Hoxie Professor of American History in Honor of Dwight D. Eisenhower*

Shortlisted, 2013 PEN/Jacqueline Bogard Weld Award for Biography for *A Difficult Woman*
Rashid Khalidi

Edward Said Professor of Modern Arab Studies and Literature

2013 MEMO Palestine Book Award, Academic Winner, for Brokers of Deceit

2014 Lionel Trilling Book Award for Brokers of Deceit

Natasha Lightfoot

Assistant Professor of History

2013 Scholar in Residence Fellowship, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture

Maria Victoria Murillo

Professor of Political Science and of International and Public Affairs

Inaugural winner of the Comparative Political Studies Editorial Board Best Paper Prize

Alondra Nelson

Professor of Sociology and Dean of Social Science

2013 Mirra Komarovsky Award, Eastern Sociological Society for best book on any sociological subject authored by an ESS member for Body and Soul

2013 Finalist, C. Wright Mills Award, Society for Social Studies of Science for the book that best “advances social science understanding” for Body and Soul
Susan Pedersen

*James P. Shenton Professor of the Core Curriculum*

Invited to deliver the annual Ford Lectures at Oxford University on “Internationalism and Empire: British Dilemmas, 1919–1939”

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Christine Philliou

*Associate Professor of History*

Lenfest Distinguished Faculty Award

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Justin Phillips

*Associate Professor of Political Science*

2014 Virginia Gray Best Book Award for *The Power of American Governors*

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Elizabeth Povinelli

*Franz Boas Professor of Anthropology*

Invited to be a Senior Scholar in Residence, Society for the Humanities, Cornell University
Ricardo Reis
Professor of Economics
2013 Excellence Award in Global Economic Affairs, Kiel Institute

Saskia Sassen
Robert S. Lynd Professor of Sociology
2013 Prince of Asturias Prize in the Social Sciences
2013 Royal Swedish Institute Prize

Robert Y. Shapiro
Professor of Political Science
2014 Bruce E. Gronbeck Political Communication Research Award, The Carl Crouch Center

Carla Shedd
Assistant Professor of Sociology
Provost Grant for Junior Faculty Who Contribute to the Diversity Goals of the University
David Stark
*Arthur Lehman Professor of Sociology and International Affairs*

2013 *Doctorat Honoris Causa, École normale supérieure de Cachan*

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Miguel S. Urquiola
*Professor of Economics and of International and Public Affairs*

2013 *SIPA Teacher of the Year Award*

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Dorian Warren
*Associate Professor of International and Public Affairs*

Provost Grant for Junior Faculty Who Contribute to the Diversity Goals of the University

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Michael Woodford
*John Bates Clark Professor of Political Economy*

Selected to deliver the 2013 Columbia University Lecture

Named to the 2013 “50 Most Influential” list by *Bloomberg Markets*
Susan Bernofsky
Associate Professor of Writing
Guggenheim Fellowship

Sanford Biggers
Assistant Professor of Professional Practice of Visual Arts
New York City Art Teachers Association Artist of the Year
Columbia University Provost Office’s Junior Faculty Award
2014 Georgia Tech Ferst Center for the Arts’ Africa Atlanta/STEAM Residency
JWT’s Differenter Committee’s Innovators of Change

Anne Bogart
Professor of Theatre Arts
2014 Presidential Teaching Award
Lucie Brock-Broido  
*Professor of Writing*

2014 Finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award for *Stay, Illusion*

2013 Presidential Teaching Award

2013 Finalist for the National Book Award for *Stay, Illusion*

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Ira Deutchman  
*Professor of Professional Practice of Film*

Founders Visionary Award

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Timothy Donnelly  
*Associate Professor of Writing*

2014 Poetry Society of America’s Alice Fay Di Castagnola Award for best manuscript in progress

2014 Pushcart Prize for “The Earth Itself” (poem)

2013 In *Best American Poetry*: “Apologies from the Ground Up” (poem)

Guggenheim Fellowship
Margo Jefferson
Professor of Professional Practice in Writing

2014 Presidential Teaching Award

Dorothea Lasky
Assistant Professor of Writing

2014 Bagley Wright Fellowship

Victor LaValle
Assistant Professor of Professional Practice in Writing

Provost Grant for Junior Faculty Who Contribute to the Diversity Goals of the University

Ben Marcus
Professor of Writing

2013 Berlin Prize, from The American Academy in Berlin
Guggenheim Fellowship
Richard Peña

Professor of Professional Practice of Film

2013 Lifetime Achievement Award, Jerusalem Film Festival

Maureen Ryan

Associate Professor of Professional Practice of Film

Fulbright Specialist Roster program, five-year rotation

Peabody, BFI Grierson Award, three Emmy Awards for *Mea Maxima Culpa*, dir. Alex Gibney

James Schamus

Professor of Professional Practice of Film

2014 President of the Jury, Berlin International Film Festival

2014 Evelyn Burkey Award, Writers Guild of America

Shelly Silver

Associate Professor of Professional Practice of Visual Arts

*Cinéma du Réel* Grand Prize Special Mention for *TOUCH*

The Intangible Heritage Award from the French Ministry of Culture and Communication for *TOUCH*

\aut\FILM Award for Best LGBT Film, Ann Arbor International Film Festival for *TOUCH*
Sarah Sze

Professor of Visual Arts

2014 Boston Medal Award, School of the Museum of Fine Arts
2014 Amherst Honorary Degree
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