

## Departmental News

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### Award Winners

The Department of History and Philosophy would like to congratulate our undergraduate and faculty award winners of 2022, recently honored at the Troy University Honors Convocation:

Alexander Beerenstrauch, senior: Nathan Alexander Memorial Phi Alpha Theta Scholastic Award

Mykaila Rose Baker, junior: Louis Hopper Perpetual Scholarship

Carl Pratt, junior: G. Ray Mathis Memorial Award

Claire Aplin, senior: Leonard Y. Trapp History Education Award

Alyssa Kaitlyn Allen, senior: Colonial Dames of America Paper Award

And faculty member Joe McCall won this year's Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award. This award, presented annually, recognizes students, faculty, and staff for excellence of character, humanitarian service and spiritual qualities.

Congratulations to all of our students and faculty on their awards.

### Faculty and Staff News

Welcome, Deborah Faulk!

The department is excited to welcome Deborah Faulk as the new Secretary for the Department of History and Philosophy. Mrs. Faulk is a resident of Brundidge, Alabama. She joins us after spending the past eight years working as an Education Resource Specialist for Head Start in Troy. Mrs. Faulk's affiliation with Head Start dates back all the way to 2001. She was ready for a change and we are delighted for the opportunity to have her contribute to our educational mission! Welcome aboard, Deborah.

Professors Aaron Hagler and Jounghbin Lim were awarded sabbatical this year to pursue their research. We look forward to seeing them next fall!

We are fortunate to have Stephen Ward visiting this semester while Jounghbin is away. Stephen is a PhD candidate from UCLA, and his work focuses on Egyptian Languages and Religions.

David Carlson's manuscript, *Congress of States: Proceedings of the Provisional Congress of the Confederate States of America, 1861–1862*, has been accepted for publication at University of Alabama Press. He continues to serve as Book Review Editor of H-Net's Civil War network.

And Scott Merriman published *Same Sex Marriage: Exploring the Issues* in 2022 with ABC-CLIO.

This academic year (2021-2022) marks Dr. Valentine's first year as a tenured professor at his new rank of Associate Professor.

And Avington Medeiros is now officially *Dr.* Medeiros! Congratulations, Avie, on completing your dissertation.