The College of Arts and Letters Alumni Association presented its 2014 faculty awards in April at the Kellogg Center. Those honored included:

**John Monberg**
Professor, Department of Writing, Rhetoric, and American Cultures:  
The Faculty Award for Innovation and Leadership in Teaching and Learning in recognition of innovative teaching and overall excellence.

**Debra Nails**
Professor, Department of Philosophy:  
The Paul Varg Alumni Award for Faculty, named after the College’s first Dean, Paul Varg, and presented in recognition of outstanding teaching and scholarly achievement.

**Jason A. Merrill**
Professor of Russian, Department of Linguistics, and Germanic, Slavic, Asian, and African Languages:  
The Faculty Leadership Award in recognition of outstanding achievement in faculty leadership.
As part of its Digital Humanities Implementation Grants program, the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) has awarded:

**Jon Frey**
Jon Frey, assistant professor of art history and visual culture, and Ethan Watrall, assistant professor in the Department of Anthropology and associate director of MATRIX: Center for Digital Humanities and Social Sciences, a $324,586 grant for ARCS: Archaeological Resource Cataloguing System. The grant funding will provide an open-source application in which users can upload, tag, sort and link digitized copies of photos, drawings and archaeological documents. The project builds upon the original case study of Ohio State University’s Isthmia excavations, for which Frey is field coordinator.

**Candace Keller-Claytor**
Candace Keller-Claytor, assistant professor, African art, art history and visual culture, a $300,000 Humanities Collections and Reference Resources grant for the project MSU Archive of Malian Photography involving cataloging and digitization of 125,000 prints and negatives from the archives of five Malian professional photographers who have been active from the 1940s to the present. These works document traditional cultural and religious practices, the history of dress, gender, and status, as well as colonialism and modernization in southern Mali.

**Frederick Gifford**
Frederick Gifford, professor of philosophy, a $198,897 grant for Development Ethics: Gender, Economics and Environment, a four-week summer institute for 25 faculty members.

**Liza Potts**
Liza Potts, assistant professor of digital humanities in the Department of Writing, Rhetoric and American Cultures, and her research colleagues at Old Dominion University, a $324,634 grant for a digital archiving project.