

Past Sabbatical Award Recipients

The site maintains a list of recent past sabbatical awards. Beginning with the 2020-2021 Master Agreement, the FRC will also include a brief description of sabbatical recipients.

Academic Year 2023 - 2024	
Recipient	Department or College
<p>Dr. Tim Compton Dr. Compton will finish the rough draft of a book-length manuscript entitled "Mexico In Its Theatre" based on over 500+ plays Dr. Compton has attended.</p>	Languages, Literatures, and International Studies
<p>Dr. Patricia Killelea Dr. Killelea will work on her project, "Agate Hooves & Birch Light: Videopoetry & Poetics", a collection of poetry films and critical essays about interspecies relationships and environmental issues in the Great Lakes region</p>	English
<p>Dr. Nelly Kupper Dr. Kupper will conduct research that will lead to the publication of a book, and interdisciplinary study combining mythology, neuroscience, and modern literature to explore what narrative would look like in cases of absence of memory that is either suppressed or inaccessible, due to brain trauma or pathology.</p>	Languages, Literatures, and International Studies
<p>Prof. Christine Lenzen Dr. Lenzen will work on a series of photographs that expand on her series entitled "As long as I'm alive...I am living".</p>	Art & Design
<p>Dr. Russell Prather Dr. Prather will research virtual reality (VR) and to learn how to use VR software, as well as earn certifications.</p>	English
Academic Year 2022 - 2023	

Recipient	Department or College
<p>Dr. Gabriel Brahm Dr. Brahm will complete a book manuscript titled “The New Blank Slate: How Gender Studies and Critical Race Theory Corrupt Higher Education, Poison Everything, and Put Our Nation as Risk”.</p>	English
<p>Dr. Robert Goodrich Dr. Goodrich plans to complete a manuscript with UNC Press related to the collapse of the German Weimar Republic, 1929-1932.</p>	History
<p>Dr. Brent Graves Dr. Graves will research the upper administration of higher education institutions.</p>	Biology
<p>Dr. Marek Haltof Dr. Haltof will be completing two book projects, “Screen as Battlefield: Confronting the Past in New Polish Cinema” and “The Past is Never Dead: Contested Memories in New Central European Cinema”.</p>	English
<p>Prof. Steven Leuthold Professor Leuthold will be working on a study titled “Structural and Philosophical Relationships in the Art of India”.</p>	Art & Design
<p>Dr. Rachel May Dr. May will be working on a book of nonfiction which interweaves biographical and historical research about three women scientists, a mother and her daughters.</p>	English
<p>Prof. Monica McFawn Robinson Professor McFawn Robinson will be working on a picture book about visual disability and neurodiversity titled “The Treasure Room”.</p>	English
<p>Prof. Gabrielle McNally Professor Gabrielle McNally will be working on the grant writing and production of her film “NOS DISPARUS” (Our Missing).</p>	Art & Design

<p>Dr. Jacqueline Medina Dr. Medina will be earning various certifications in connection to health and wellness, outdoor guiding, and the outdoor industry. She is also working on a diversity, equity, and inclusion program in relation to her field of study.</p>	<p>Health & Human Performance</p>
<p>Dr. Sarah Mittlefehldt Dr. Mittlefehldt will work on the completion of two manuscripts and one external grant application. Topics include the history of wood energy, and the intersection of forest, energy, and environmental policy.</p>	<p>Earth, Environmental, and Geographical Studies</p>
<h2 style="text-align: center;">Academic Year 2020 - 2021</h2>	
<p>Recipient</p>	<p>Department or College</p>
<p>Dr. Jon Billman Dr. Billman plans to complete the process of compiling and annotating the research necessary to produce a book-length work of creative nonfiction investigating the disappearance of a United States Air Force Jet in Lake Superior.</p>	<p>English</p>
<p>Dr. Sarah Jones Dr. Jones plans to study the Philosophy of Alternative and Complementary Medicine.</p>	<p>Philosophy</p>
<p>Dr. Caroline Krzakowski Dr. Krzakowski will complete a book manuscript titled "Cultivating the Nation: Gardens and Empire in British Literature 1900-1950".</p>	<p>English</p>
<p>Prof. Michael Letts Professor Letts will create a series of paintings for a solo art exhibit, "Closer to the Wild" at the Duluth Art Institute.</p>	<p>Art & Design</p>
<p>Prof. Dale Wedig Professor Wedig has been granted a professional development sabbatical to advance his skill and knowledge of the lost art of hand forming copper sheet metal.</p>	<p>Art & Design</p>

Dr. Qinghong Zhang Dr. Zhang plans to study the copositive and completely positive cones, which in turn will help him enhance his research in copositive and completely positive optimization.	Mathematics & Computer Science
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Academic Year 2019 - 2020

Recipient	Department or College
Dr. Dwight Brady	Communication & Performance Studies
Dr. Michael Crum	College of Business
Dr. Christi Edge	Education
Dr. Kurt Galbreath	Biology
Prof. Steven Hughes	Art & Design
Prof. Brian Kakas	Art & Design
Dr. Josh Sharp	Biology

Academic Year 2018 - 2019

Recipient	Department or College
Dr. Scott Drum	Health & Human Performance
Prof. Keith Ellis	Art & Design
Prof. Matthew Frank	English
Prof. Jim McCommons	English
Prof. Peter Pless	Art & Design
Dr. Martin Reinhardt	Native American Studies
Dr. William Tireman	Physics
Dr. Bao Truong	Math & Computer Science

Academic Year 2017 - 2018

Recipient	Department or College
Dr. Antony Aumann	Philosophy
Dr. Neil Cumberlidge	Biology
Dr. Kia Richmond	English
Dr. Jaspal Singh	English
Dr. Mounia Ziat	Psychology

Academic Year 2016 - 2017

Recipient	Department or College
Dr. Zac Cogley	Philosophy
Dr. Gabe Logan	History
Dr. Elizabeth Monske	English
Dr. Eric Ottem	Biology
Dr. Alex Ruuska	Sociology/Anthropology
Dr. Robert Whalen	English

Academic Year 2015 - 2016

Recipient	Department or College
Dr. Charles Ganzert	CAMS
Dr. Amy Hamilton	English
Dr. Lesley Larkin	English
Dr. Robert Legg	EEGS

Dr. Adam Prus	Psychology
Dr. Mac Strand	Biology
Dr. Katherine Teeter	Biology

Academic Year 2014 - 2015

Recipient	Department or College
Dr. Gabriel Brahm	English
Dr. Terry Delpier	Nursing
Dr. Mollie Freier	AIS
Dr. Marek Haltoff	English
Dr. Patricia Hogan	Health & Human Performance
Dr. Steven Leuthold	Art & Design
Dr. Judith Puncochar	Education

Academic Year 2013 - 2014

Recipient	Department or College
Dr. Patricia Cianciolo	Sociology
Dr. Sarah Jones	Philosophy
Dr. Nelly Kupper	MLL
Dr. Michael Luokinen	Sociology
Prof. Marcus Robyns	AIS
Dr. Neil Russell	Physics
Dr. Mark Shevy	CAMS
Dr. James Strain	Music

Dr. David Wood	English
Academic Year 2012 - 2013	
Recipient	Department or College
Dr. Donna Becker	Biology
Dr. Sheri Giordana	Nursing
Dr. Robbie Goodrich	History
Dr. Jeffrey Horn	Math & Computer Science
Dr. Randall Jensen	Health & Human Performance
Dr. Keith Kendall	History
Prof. Stephan Larson	Art & Design
Dr. Lesley Putman	Chemistry
Academic Year 2011 - 2012	
Recipient	Department or College
Dr. KC Holder	Education
Dr. Mitchell Klett	Education
Dr. Alec Lindsay	Biology
Dr. Diane Sautter Cole	English
Prof. Eileen Smit	Nursing
Prof. John Smolens	English
Prof. Cate Terwilliger	English
Dr. Helen Wedin	Nursing
Dr. Qinghong Zhang	Math & Computer Science

