

Department of Gender & Women's Studies  
University of California, Berkeley

## 2010-2011 Student Award Recipients

**Departmental Citation** – Awarded to a GWS student in recognition of distinguished undergraduate work, contribution to the department and excellence in the study of gender and women.

**Award presented to Jessica Neasbitt**

**Honor's Thesis Prize** – Awarded to a GWS student in recognition for excellence in research and the best senior honors thesis.

**Award presented to Jesse Brown**

**GWS Excellence in Action Award**—Awarded to a student who not only has academic excellence, but who has made significant contributions to the department and community.

**Award presented to Darlene Aranda**

**Honors Program** — Departmental Honors are awarded to students who completed the GWS Senior Honors Program, whose theses were deemed excellent, and who maintained a 3.3 overall GPA and a 3.3 GPA in the major.

*Honors presented to:*

**Lena Patricia Brooks**

Honor's Thesis: "With a Wink and a Shimmy: Politics and Potentials of Fat Burlesque Performance"

**Jesse Alice Brown**

Honor's Thesis: "Ripples on Water: Photography and Memory in Larry Sultan's Pictures From Home"

**Pooja Chaudhuri**

Honor's Thesis: "Contextualizing the Casta Painting through Time: Visual Narratives of Race Mixing in Colonial Mexico, 1710-1800"

**Marco Antonio Flores**

Honor's Thesis: "In Search of Home: Undocumented Students in Higher Education"

**Rebecca Lynne Huff**

Honor's Thesis: "How 'True is Your Blood?': Examining How the Vampires in True Blood and Mixed-Race Individuals Perform identity and Forge New Categories of Being"

**Malia Lee Hunt**

Honor's Thesis: "The Filthy Rich Beauty of Altruism"

**Jenny Lisette Morales**

**Jessica Yvonne Neasbitt**

Honor's Thesis: "The Vagina Dialogues: An Examination of Who's Talking About Designer Vaginas, and How and Why They're Doing So"

**Sani Montclair Vanderspek**

Honors Thesis: "History, Memory, and a Hybrid Identity"

**Sierra Dullea Weir**

Honors Thesis: "TranscendGenderism"