

Professor Lisa Hermsen presented the award in Literature and writing.

I am delighted that this award from the Language and Literature Department has been given to a student who wrote on the literary and rhetorical merit of a Darwinian text. While many of us find it difficult to understand the intimate connections between science and literature, or science and rhetoric, Morgan entered my class keenly aware of such connections. His paper demonstrates sophisticated analysis of rhetorical strategy in Darwin's text, is appropriately supported with secondary sources, and was written with easy and graceful style. I'm certain Morgan will not mind if I refer to his piece as a bit of fine rhetoric. Congratulations.