Bragging Writes

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Lineau Receives ACLS Faculty Fellowship
Assistant Professor of Comparative Literature, Annete Damayanti Lineau was recently awarded a Faculty Fellowship from the American Council of Learned Societies for 2014-
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Commonwealth Honors College Professor of Anthropology Sonya Atalay received the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation New Directions Fellowship for the 2014-2015 academic year. This award... Read More

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Melvin Howard ’57 has been involved with honors higher education in Massachusetts since the idea gained traction in 1996. Now, he thinks that the future of Commonwealth Honors... Read More

Crises Hidden in the Dark
We all know of the environmental struggles occurring on earth’s surface, but we are less aware of what happens beneath the surface. On Tuesday, April 1, Isla Castañeda, assistant... Read More

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Sarah Reynolds ’14 was honored at the University of Massachusetts Women's Leadership Breakfast as the recipient of this year's Priscilla M. Clarkson Leadership Award. Reynolds, a... Read More

A Glimpse into the Dark
On Tuesday, April 1, Isla Castañeda, UMass Amherst Assistant Professor and Commonwealth Honors College professor in geosciences, will present, “A Glimpse into the
Distinguished Lecture Series
Alan Goodman will present “Race is a Verb: From Race as Genetics to the Biological Consequences of Racism” on Wednesday, April 2, at 4:00 p.m. in the Commonwealth Honors College... Read More

Upcoming Talk on Technology Policy
UMass Amherst and Commonwealth Honors College alumnus Derek Khanna ‘11 will present his talk, “How to Restore an Innovation Agenda in Washington” on Friday, March 28 at 3:00 p.m.... Read More

Thesis on New Benefit Corporations
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A Cure for Severe Asthma
Wilmore Webley, associate professor of microbiology, presented “A Cure for Severe Asthma: New Hope for the Future” on Monday, February 10, 2014. Dr. Webley is the
The Crisis of Syria's Refugees in Lebanon

Omar Dahi, associate professor of economics at the School of Critical Social Inquiry at Hampshire College, delivered his lecture, “The Crisis of Syria’s Refugees in Lebanon” on...

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