

The *Dean's First Book Award* for 2008

Call for Submissions

I am very pleased to issue this call for nominations and submissions of *first books* published by members of the faculty of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences for consideration for a new award, the *Dean's First Book Award*.

The Dean's First Book Award will recognize an outstanding scholarly or creative book published by a faculty member in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. The book must be the faculty member's first, and it must have been published in the 21st century, that is, since January 1, 2000. The winner of the Dean's First Book Award will be selected by a committee of faculty, each of whom has published two or more books and who are, therefore, ineligible for the award themselves.

The award will be accompanied by a cash prize of at least \$1,000. It will recognize outstanding achievement and serve as an encouragement to faculty authors striving to complete their first book. This award is made possible by the generous multi-year pledge of Dr. Gordon Bakken, Professor of History, himself the author of many books. This is a very special award, in that it is the result of the generosity of one of our colleagues. Our goal is to augment Dr. Bakken's lead gift with further gifts and pledges from faculty members and others.

Nomination/Submission Instructions

Nominations and self-nominations of books for consideration for the award, accompanied by three (3) copies of the book, are due no later than Friday, May 2, 2008, to the Dean's Office, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, H-211. The winner of the Dean's First Book Award will be announced annually at the H&SS Fall Faculty Convocation in September.

Tom Klammer, Dean

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