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2010, Leyla Bari
“The Face of 21st Century Orientalism: A look at the form and possible causes behind a newly Invigorated and Reinvented Orientalist Style” (Art History Paper. Faculty advisor, Professor Aida Audeh)

2011, Asho Kalif
“Conformity and Gender Differences Among Somali-Americans” (Psychology Project. Faculty Advisor, Professor Matthew Olson)

2012, Grady McGuire
“A Mighty Wind: The Communal Mother, Caliban’s Restitution, and Naylor’s Contribution to Black Feminist Thought” (English, Senior Seminar Paper. Faculty advisor, Professor Veena Deo)

2013, Allison Hood
“Children of Incarcerated Mothers: Helping Educators Understand and Address Students’ Unique Needs,” (Women’s Studies Project. Faculty advisor, Professor Colleen Bell)

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Heidi Fahning
“Somali in Minneapolis and Manchester: Comparative Policy Analysis and Refugee Experience in Multinational Adult Education Systems” (Political Science Collaborative Research Project. Faculty advisor, Professor Karen Vogel)

2014, Elena L. Anderson
“Couldn’t Keep It to Myself: The Importance of Creative Writing Programs in Women’s Correctional Facilities” (Social Justice and Women’s Studies Research Project. Faculty advisor, Professor Colleen Bell)