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BLOOMINGTON, Ill.— Illinois Wesleyan University has announced the 2016 recipients of the Eckley Summer Scholars and Artists Fellowships.

The Robert S. and Nell B. Eckley Fellowships are awarded to meritorious students so that they may remain on campus over the summer to conduct research under the supervision of a faculty mentor. The program is designed to support the development of a student's scholarly or artistic project in hopes of deepening research and creative competencies. The students who are selected receive a \$4,000 stipend and free on-campus housing for the summer. The fellowships were established by President Emeritus and Mrs. Robert S. Eckley before he passed away in 2012.

The John Wesley Powell Conference Committee has selected the following students as Eckley Scholars:

**Martha Aguirre '17** (Chicago), Hispanic Studies and secondary education majors, for her project "Education Not for Sale," faculty mentor, Ben and Susan Rhodes Professor of Peace and Social Justice Irv Epstein, who is also chair of educational studies and director of the Center for Human Rights and Social Justice;

**Boryana Borisova '17** (Elgin, Ill.), International Studies major, for her project "Children's Classics in Soviet Jackets: Winnie-the-Pooh's Adventures in the Soviet Land," faculty mentor, Isaac Funk Professor of German and Russian Marina Balina;

**Paige Buschman '17** (Lemont, Ill.), sociology major, for her project "Male Socialization around Sexual Assault and its Manifestations in Higher Education," faculty mentor, Associate Professor of Sociology Meghan Burke;

**Shannon Maloney '18** (Chicago), business administration and psychology double major, for her project "A New Rehabilitation Method for Stroke Patients," faculty mentor, Assistant Professor of Psychology Abigail Kerr;

**Zachary Silver '18** (Vernon Hills, Ill.), music and psychology double major, for his project "Is Sound Size Recognition Uniquely Human?," faculty mentor, Assistant Professor of Psychology Ellen Furlong.

