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Jeffrey Burson Receives University Research Award for Discovery and Innovation

April 20, 2020

The staff award for Research recognizes one staff member for outstanding support in the conduct of research or who have advanced processes, methods and systems through research.

The faculty award for Research recognizes a faculty member for excellence in research and/ or creative scholarly activity.

The Discovery & Innovation award recognizes those individuals that promote creative scholarly activities, technologies and/ or environments that encourage innovative and problem-solving research collaboratives.



Jeffrey Burson

Research Award

Associate Professor, Department of History, College of Arts and Humanities

Dr. Jeffrey Burson, associate professor of history, is a tireless scholar that produces meritorious research with significant originality, quality and impact. His incredible work ethic is demonstrated in his international scholarship — doing archival research, writing, revising and editing in France, the UK and the Netherlands, and working with primary sources in French, Spanish, Latin and Italian.

Dr. Burson's pace of scholarly production has been nothing if not torrid for the past five years. During the past year alone, he has published a major monograph with Notre Dame University Press; co-edited a book with Anton Matytsin as part of an Oxford University Press series on the Enlightenment; authored an introduction for a special edition of Jesuit Studies; published two additional peer-reviewed articles, one for a prestigious journal; authored another book chapter also published by Oxford University Press; and presented two scholarly papers at professional conferences. His productivity has already out-paced most professional historians during their entire careers. Even more impressive is the fact that he has accomplished all of this despite a heavy teaching schedule.

The quality of Dr. Burson's production has more than kept pace with the quantity. Indeed, it has been nothing less than field-changing. Top scholars in his field praise his rigorous research, original arguments and ability to collaborate with many scholars. Some of his publications are cited among the essential readings in his field. In

2018, Dr. Burson was referred to as one of the four “most distinguished historians of the Catholic Enlightenment” worldwide. As a creative, meticulous and prolific researcher, Dr. Burson has immensely contributed to Georgia Southern University.

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