History professor receives international award for French studies research 6/23/14



Dr. Christopher Churchill, assistant professor of history and global studies at Alfred University (AU), is the recipient of this year&s Malcolm Bowie Prize, given by the Society for French Studies. The award will be presented July 1 during the annual conference for the Society in Aberdeen, Scotland (June 29-July 2).

The Malcolm Bowie Prize is awarded for the best article published in the preceding year by an early-career researcher in French studies. Churchill&s article, "The Unlikely Barresian Inheritance of Albert Camus," appeared in the Journal of the Canadian Historical Association.

Bowie, who died in January 2007, was the most eminent and inspirational Anglophone scholar of French literature and theory of his generation. The prize, given in his memory, honors his tireless devotion to the scholarly community and his service to the Society for French Studies. Bowie served as president of the organization from 1994-96 and was general editor of the Society&s Bulletin from 1980-87.

A cultural and intellectual historian specializing in studies of the Mediterranean, France, and Algeria, Churchill earned a master&s degree and Ph.D. in history from Queens University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada. He earned a bachelor of arts degree, also in history, from Concordia University, Montreal, Canada.

He has published several articles in various academic journals and is currently working on two articles about French intellectuals and developing a manuscript based on his dissertation.

Churchill is the most recent recipient of AU&s Joseph K. Kruson Distinguished Award for Excellence in Teaching.