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University of Oxford Research Fellow Wins the American Historical Association's 2014 James Henry Breasted Prize

Washington, DC— Alex Mullen, research fellow in classics at All Souls College, Oxford, has been selected as the winner of the 2014 James Henry Breasted Prize for her book *Southern Gaul and the Mediterranean: Multilingualism and Multiple Identities in the Iron Age and Roman Periods* (Cambridge University Press, 2013). The Breasted Prize is awarded annually by the American Historical Association (AHA) to honor the best book in English in any field of history prior to CE 1000. The prize will be awarded during a ceremony at the Association's 129th Annual Meeting in New York, NY, January 2-5, 2015.

Mullen's book was selected by a prize review committee of AHA members including Felice Lifshitz, Chair (Univ. of Alberta), Christine Caldwell Ames (Univ. of South Carolina, Columbia), and William V. Harris (Columbia Univ.).

"What makes Alex Mullen's study exceptional is that she courageously takes in hand a very longue durée of Mediterranean history, and truly makes use of the totality of the evidence, archaeological as well as textual," noted Felice Lifshitz, the 2014 James Henry Breasted Prize Committee chair and professor of women and gender studies at the University of Alberta.

The Breasted prize was established in 1985 and named in honor of James Henry Breasted, president of the AHA in 1928 and pioneer in ancient Egyptian and Near Eastern history. The prize was endowed by Joseph O. Losos, a longtime member of the Association.

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