

## Distinguished Teaching Assistants Awards



The Department's Distinguished Teaching Assistant Awards for 2015-16 were presented in October 2016. The winners are: **Arjada Bardhi, Gideon Bornstein, Sena Ekin Coskun, Gabriela Cugat, Matias Escudero, Loren Fryxell, Sergey Gitlin, Joseph Hardwick, Sebastian Kohls, Matthew Leisten, Chiara Maggi, Giacomo Magistretti, Jordan Norris and Alex Theisen.** These awards are given to the top third of our Teaching Assistants, based on student and faculty evaluations.

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## Susan Bies Research Prizes

The annual Susan Schmidt Bies Prizes for Doctoral Student Research on Economics and Public Policy were awarded in October 2016. The awards are given to the best public policy papers presented as part of the Economics 501 Graduate Student seminar. The winners for 2015-16 were **Sam Norris** (*left*) for a paper on "Rise and Shine: The Effect of School Start Times on Academic Performance from Childhood through Puberty" and **Sasha Indarte** (*right*) for "Contagion via Financial Intermediaries in Pre-1914 Sovereign Debt Markets." The prizes were generously donated by alumna Susan Schmidt Bies (PhD, 1972). Her professional career included serving on the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.



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## Robert Eisner Memorial Fellowships



In October 2016, fellowships in honor of our late colleague Robert Eisner were presented. For 2016-17 the Fellowships were awarded to **Gideon Bornstein** (*left*) and **Vishal Kamat**. The winners are pictured with Mrs. Edith Eisner. The fellowships are awarded annually to graduate students who have distinguished themselves in both teaching and research.