



2014 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CEREMONY

SALAMENO SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND GLOBAL STUDIES

The 2014 SSHGS FACULTY-STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD goes to **JONATHAN MANGEL**.

Jonathan worked on research with Professor Michael Unger on work titled *Putting the Problem in the Crosshairs: Partisan Perceptions of the Causes of Gun Violence*. This paper seeks to answer the question of what members of the Democratic and Republican parties in the electorate perceive to be the causes of gun violence. Jonathan made a major contribution to this project. What began as a collaborative project has become an independent research project for the student. Jonathan designed the survey, transferred it to qualtrics.com for data collection, and used the qualtrics survey to recruit respondents from Amazon.com *Mechanical Turk*. Jonathan also took the important step of analyzing the data and applying to the Northeastern Regional Honors Conference and was accepted.

Jonathan is a member of Pi Sigma Alpha National Political Science Honors Society and has served leadership roles on the Ramapo College Honors Program Student Executive Board as well as the Journal of Law and Society Student Editorial Board and the Model U.N. Club.

Jonathan presented public opinion research at the 2014 Northeast Regional Honors Council Conference in Niagara Falls and won the Ramapo Summer Reading Essay Contest in 2011.

He also studied abroad during spring break 2014 as part of the China Immersion Experience in Beijing and Shanghai.

Jonathan wishes to pursue a J.D. and go to work in the field of public policy, civil rights law or international human rights law.