# Degrees Awarded, May-December 2009

### Ph.D. Degrees—August 2009

John M. Hora, Singer, Linking volcano morphology and composition to magma reservoir evolution at Parinacota Volcano, Chile

#### Matthew A. Kuchta, Geary,

Paleoenvironmental Significance of late Pleistocene Terrestrial Gastropods in the Upper Mississippi Valley of Minnesota and Wisconsin

Jeremy D. Pesicek, Thurber, Structure of the Sumatra- Andaman Subduction Zone

#### Ph.D. Degrees—December 2009

**Lauren M. Chetel,** Carroll, *Evolution of an* Eocene Landscape: The Effects of Tectonics, Climate, and Volcanism in the Lake Gosiute Watershed

Timothy A. Oleson, Sahai, Chemical and Physical Controls on Oxide-Supported Phospholipid Bilayer Formation

# Masters Degrees-May 2009

**Alexander C. Teel,** Thurber, *Analysis of* Aftershock Distribution and Background Seismicity Relative to Mainsbock Slip and Trench Parallel Gravity Anomalies for 12 Subduction Zone Megathrust Earthquakes

Fangfu Zhang, Xu, Sulfide-Catalyzed Nucleation and Growth of Very High-Magnesian Calcite and Disordered Dolomite Precursors to Sedimentary **Dolomite** 

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Andrew J. Fraass, Kelly, The Macroevoluntionary History of the Planktonic Foraminifera

Drew B. Gower, Bahr, Reservoir Seepage to Groundwater in the Nariarlé Watershed of Burkina Faso, West Africa

Sarah E. Greene, Singer, Geochemical and Petrological Constraints on the 1902 Eruption of Volcan Santa Maria

Katharine J. Horst, Kelly, Recurrence of Enigmatic Nannofossil Assemblages (Braarudosphaera) in the South Atlantic During the Early Oligocene

Steven J. Kostka, Mickelson, The Quaternary Geology of Eastern St. Croix County, Wisconsin

Cassidy A. Miller, Bahr, Influence of Wetland Dynamics on Microbial Redox Transformations of Nitrate and Iron

Elizabeth A. Obbink, Carlson, Abrupt Climate Events During the Last Deglaciation and Public Perception of Climate Change

## Masters Degrees—December 2009

Elizabeth J. Colville, Carlson, Constraining the Aerial Extent of the Greenland Ice Sheet During the Last and Penultimate *Interglacials* 

Melodie E. French, Goodwin, An experimental study of mechanical and bydrologic controls on natural bydraulic fracture formation in sandstone and siltstone

Tina R. Hill, Xu, High-resolution Transmission Electron Microscopy Investigation of Hand-Crystals of Pyroxene and Copper in Oregon

Andrew P. Trzaskus, Carroll, Polygonal Faulting in Three Dimensional Seismic Reflection Data of the Halten Terrace, Mid-Norwegian Sea

#### **Undergraduate Degrees**

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Neal C. Auchter Michael I. Croft Aaron D. Firnstahl Samantha J. Hayes James R. Jahnz Rebecca A. Seipel Laura Sumiejski Shannon E. Wilson (GLE)

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