

June 11, 2020

Mohammad Alhawary  
Professor of Middle East Studies  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Dear Professor Alhawary,

I am delighted to officially inform you that you have been selected to receive a 2020 Rackham Master's Mentoring Award. The materials submitted on your behalf were impressive and inspiring and I am pleased that you are being honored with the award.

Because of COVID-19, I regret that we will not be able to hold the ceremony to honor you as we regularly do; however, we will publicize your recognition through Rackham's website and through other communications. I will also seek other opportunities to celebrate you and our other 2020 mentoring award recipients in the next academic year.

The Rackham Master's Mentoring Award carries with it a stipend of \$1,500 to be used at your discretion.

Due to the financial constraints on discretionary expenditures recently put in place in light of the impacts of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, we anticipate that the funds associated with your award will be released for your use when the financial storm abates. We will therefore contact you when we can release the stipend to you. Should you have any questions about the stipend, please feel free to contact Sebastian Beckley ([rackham.budget@umich.edu](mailto:rackham.budget@umich.edu)) in the Rackham Budget Office.

On behalf of my colleagues at Rackham, I extend our warmest congratulations to you. We deeply appreciate your superlative efforts on behalf of graduate education through mentorship of Rackham students.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Solomon

cc: Trevor Le Gassick, Middle East Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts  
Sebastian Beckley, Rackham Budget and Accounts Office