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Faculty Research Grant Final Report

I spent the summer working on my research project “*Bordering and Ordering the New Millennium: Boundaries and the Social Construction of Places*”. This included reading border and cross-border studies literature both extensively and intensively, as well as writing for an article, a book and a conference presentation.

The first result was the article “*The Conflicting Logics of Cross-Border Reterritorialization: Geopolitics of Euroregions in Eastern Europe*” that I submitted for publication to *Political Geography*. This is one of the top leading journals in my field. I already received favorable reviews for this article, and during the next couple of days I will re-submit the revised version.

The second result consists in my starting writing my first book, with the provisory title “*Bordering and Ordering the New Millennium*”. I have written the introduction and currently I am working on the first chapter.

Third, I prepared and submitted a paper (*Coping with Cross-border Reterritorialization: The Geopolitics of Euroregions and Clashing Territorial Logics along the EU’s Eastern Borders*) for presentation at the conference *Border Regions in Transition IX (BRIT 9)* that will take place in Victoria, BC and Bellingham, WA, between 12-15 January 2008.

Summing up, the Faculty Research Grant proved to be crucial in supporting my research agenda during this summer. Additionally, the grant allowed me the time and focus to outline several other research projects, including a second article and two conference presentations, that I will develop in the future.

Respectfully,

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