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CHARLESTON, IL.--Dr. Timothy Shonk, assistant professor of English at Eastern Illinois University, is one of 96 people chosen in a nationwide competition to receive a post-doctoral research grant from the American Council of Learned Societies.

Shonk's research project is English bookmen and bookmaking in the 14th and 15th centuries. He will spend six weeks in England this summer studying two medieval manuscripts at the British Museum in London and the Bodleian Library in Oxford.

"I will be looking at the physical makeup of the manuscripts . . . how books were made and compiled in the 14th and 15th centuries," Shonk explained.

"I think I received this grant partially on the strength of previous research, and hopefully when completed I will be able to write a cogent book length study on this topic," he said.

The American Council of Learned Societies is a private non-profit federation of 45 national scholarly associations devoted to the advancement of humanistic studies in all fields of learning.

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