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## **Serkan Görkemli, University of Connecticut, Wins a 2015 CCCC Lavender Rhetorics Award for Excellence in Queer Scholarship**

**Urbana, IL—February 2, 2015** – Serkan Görkemli, University of Connecticut, has won the 2015 CCCC Lavender Rhetorics Award for Excellence in Queer Scholarship's Book Award for his book, *Grassroots Literacies: Lesbian and Gay Activism and the Internet in Turkey*. The Conference on College Composition and Communication (CCCC) is an association within the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE).

This award is presented annually to three works (one book, one article, and one dissertation) published within the past two years that best make queer interventions into the study of composition and rhetoric. Works should rise to a high level of excellence in their originality, the significance of their pedagogical or theoretical contributions to the field, and their existing or potential influence. The Selection Committee considers the nature of the problem(s) addressed, the contribution's timeliness, how effectively the work utilizes research or scholarship to fill voids in our existing knowledge, how well the work demonstrates potential for application (pedagogically or in other contexts), and what promise the work holds for future exploration and investigation.

Görkemli will be announced as a recipient of the CCCC Lavender Rhetorics Award for Excellence in Queer Scholarship's Book Award on March 20, during the 2015 CCCC Annual Convention in Tampa, Florida.

For more information about the CCCC Lavender Rhetorics Award for Excellence in Queer Scholarship, including past winners, see <http://www.ncte.org/cccc/awards/lavender>.

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