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The German Section held its annual Delta Phi Alpha initiation and scholarship awards ceremony in the Howard Baker Center for Public Policy on April 21, 2010. Over 70 honorees and their families attended. Several faculty members from Linguistics came to welcome Dr. Hiram Maxim, Director of Undergraduate German Studies at Emory University, who delivered the keynote address "It's All in the Text: Reading, Textual Borrowing and Foreign Language Learning." The talk featured Dr. Maxim's studies on how reading helps students learn another language better and provided the audience with important tips for lifelong acquisition of another language. Dr. Maxim is a former member of the German section.

Following the retirement of David Lee, the German tenure-line faculty now consists of Jeff Mellor, Dan Magilow, Maria Stehle, and Stefanie Ohnesorg, ably assisted by the lecturers Beth Bradley, Maria Gallmeier and Vera Pantanizopoulos- Broux. It is a great pleasure to be able to award scholarships to 25 students for 2010-2011 from several endowments: the Kind Scholarship, the Wunderlich Fellowship, the Harris Fellowship, the Osborne Fellowship, the Nordsieck Fellowship and the Shockley Award. Fortunately, members of the Osborne, Nordsieck and Shockley families could attend the gala event and reception, where they met the young men and women whose studies their generosity supports. In recognition of the importance of such generosity, Randy Atkins, Associate Director of Development for the College of Arts and Sciences was on hand to help welcome these honored guests.

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