Attendees: Messrs. FILLIOZAT, ZINK, TOUBERT, BERNARD, JARRIGE, LARONDE, MAHÉ, POTTIER, Lévine
Excused: Mr. LECLANT.

Mr. FILLIOZAT opens the Session.

Two applications are studied by the committee:

Ms. Chloé Andrieu: 31 year old, UMR 7055 (Nanterre)
Summa cum laude
PROJECT: “The Value of Jade: Study of the Exchange of Prestige Goods in the Maya Civilization during the Classical Period (250-950 AD)”.
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Letter from Mr. Arthur A. Demarest, Ingram Professor of Anthropology, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee.
Fellow of the Fyssen Institute

Ms. Marie Annereau-Fulbet: 32 years old, UMR 8096 (Paris-I)
Dissertation 2008: “Intermediate Grouping Units in the Mayan Sites of the Highlands during the Recent Post Classical Period (1225-1524 AD). The Concept of ‘district’ from an Ethno- Historical Point of View”.
Summa cum laude
PROJECT: “Questioning the Intermediate Grouping Units: a Multidisciplinary Perspective in the Mayan Highlands”.
MEXICO - GUATEMALA
Letter from Mr. Alain Breton, Research Director at the CNRS (UMR 7535).

After a general discussion, the members of the Committee of the Joseph P. Carroll Prize of American Studies, decide unanimously to award the prize to Ms. Chloé Andrieu for her project entitled: “The Value of Jade: Study of the
Exchange of Prestige Goods in the Maya Civilization during the Classical Period (250-950 AD).”

Prize Winner Project:

- To define the road of jade, a symbol of royalty, and its various exchange networks in the Mayan Lowlands during the Classical Period, in view of a better understanding of the Mayan economical, political and religious organization.
- To study the mechanism of production and exchange of jade by researching the yet unknown network of the mines in the Salama Valley, exploited especially by Cancuen.
- To understand the ways of exploiting the Salama mine and the circulation of its production by the study of Cancuen workshop and the analysis of the jade from other sites that may have been supplied from this deposit.
- Methodology: exploration and survey, PIXE analysis, microscopic and technological study.