8th Annual Student Research Symposium

Promoting Collaboration Across Disciplines

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It’s all here. Montclair State University
To the faculty and student participants of the University-wide Student Research Symposium:

This event, with participants from all across the University, represents the energy, creativity and hard work of which our students are capable under the mentorship of the faculty. Research is hard when done well and done thoroughly but its rewards can be immense, both as personal satisfaction for the job done and for the new knowledge acquired. Mastering the methods, techniques and tools of an intellectual discipline to the degree required for applying them effectively to a real-world question or problem is the essence of an empowering education. The satisfaction of knowing how to confidently apply oneself to a challenge with the techniques of a microbiologist, a sociologist, a psychologist, an accountant, an audiologist, a filmmaker, a journalist, a teacher or public health specialist, or any of a dozen other disciplinary methodologies, is the reward of a successful education and the key to opening a door into the mansion of life-long learning.

Even more satisfying and rewarding, then, is the challenge of tackling a problem with a toolbox of multiple methodologies, with an inter or multidisciplinary approach, either by mastering several different disciplines yourself, or by combining your own skills and efforts with colleagues trained in other disciplines. You may find that the problem cracks open more quickly and more easily when together you bring the collective weight of your individual skills to bear against it. Or together you can identify and address a question larger and more complex than any you could hope to solve individually. This is what has happened in all fields of human knowledge around us, and it happens because curious students like you are always finding creative new ways to apply the lessons of your teachers either to ancient questions (What is a just society? What does war cost? How can we best educate our children?) or to previously unknown functions of nature (What are the neurological pathways that teach a bird to build a nest? Why is dark matter only observable in its effects? What exact conditions trigger an earthquake in a specific place?).

No one will ever answer these questions on their own and no one discipline will serve to do so. That is the challenge and excitement of interdisciplinary cooperation. That is the attraction and promise of this event today, where students from disciplines across the University come together to discuss and share their research on common issues.

The entire faculty of Montclair State are proud of the work you have presented and wish you the best for continued growth and mastery of those skills and achievements.

Dr. Willard Gingerich
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Schedule

7:45 am – 8:15 am  **Registration and Continental Breakfast**  
University Hall Grand Hallway, 1st Floor

8:20 am – 8:35 am  **Opening Remarks/Welcome – Dr. Willard Gingerich**  
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs  
University Hall Room 1070

8:35 am – 9:15 am  **Interdisciplinary Panel Presentation**  
Montclair State University Faculty Members  
University Hall Room 1070

9:20 am – 10:35 am  **Poster Session Block A**  
University Hall Conference Center, 7th Floor

10:40 am – 12:00 pm  **Oral and Multimedia Presentations Block A**  
Room assignments listed in program

12:00 pm – 12:45 pm  **Lunch**  
Student Center Ballroom

12:55 pm – 2:15 pm  **Oral and Multimedia Presentations Block B**  
Room assignments listed in program

2:20 pm – 3:40 pm  **Oral and Multimedia Presentations Block C**  
Room assignments listed in program

3:45 pm – 5:00 pm  **Poster Session Block B**  
University Hall Conference Center, 7th Floor

5:05 pm  **Award Presentations and Closing Remarks**  
General Symposium Awards and Closing Remarks  
Outstanding Interdisciplinary Presentations and Posters  
University Hall 1070
Oral and Multimedia Presentations

Block A: 10:40 am – 12:00 pm

1. Graduate Award Nominees – University Hall 2046
Moderator: Dr. Dawn Marie Hayes

Presenter: Susan Falciani
Advisor: Dr. Dawn Marie Hayes
Title: A kaleidoscope of culture: Cross-cultural influences on twelfth-century English illuminated manuscripts

Presenter: Rosita Nuñez
Advisor: Dr. Avinandan Mukherjee
Title: Willingness to pay, environmental knowledge and the perception of responsibility for environmental protection

Presenter: Christine Peters
Advisor: Dr. Christine Price
Title: Experiences of mothers of children with Autism and aggression: The process of becoming 'Super-Copers'

Presenter: Joel Torres
Advisor: Dr. Joel Penney
Title: Case study: Tailoring messages towards Latino voters in the 2013 New Jersey gubernatorial campaign

Presenter: Kelly Triece
Advisor: Dr. Meiyin Wu
Title: Examining wildlife habitats associated with road mortality hotspots in New Jersey
Co-authors: Natalie Sherwood, Meiyin Wu, Gretchen Fowles, Brian Zarate

2. Undergraduate Award Nominees – University Hall 2044
Moderator: Dr. Diana Thomas

Presenter: J. R. Gambino
Advisor: Dr. Antoinette Pole
Title: Civic engagement and community supported agriculture

Presenter: Thomas Leonardis
Advisor: Dr. Steven Leigh
Title: Understanding injury mechanisms for training and rehabilitation of female dancers: Injury prevalence survey

Presenter: Sharmin Uddin
Advisor: Dr. Diana Thomas
Title: Does administering different degrees of calorie restriction biweekly improve dietary adherence: A mathematical approach

Presenter: Mia Zanette
Advisor: Dr. Neil Baldwin
Title: New dimensions in dramaturgy: Streetcar and New Orleans

3. Genetics and Bio-Chemistry - University Hall 2042
Moderator: Dr. Chunguang Du

Presenter: Ahmed Mahmoud
Advisor: Dr. Chunguang Du
Title: Inferring gene regulatory networks based mutual information
Co-authors: Chunguang Du, Wenwei Xiong

Presenter: Ban Edani
Advisor: Dr. Yvonne Gindt
Title: Studying the repair mechanism of UV-damaged DNA by photolyase enzyme
Co-authors: Robert Stanley, Sudipto Munshi

Presenter: Rohe Ahmad
Advisor: Dr. Yvonne Gindt
Title: Elucidation of the substrate recognition mechanism of VcCry1, a DNA repair enzyme
4. Women’s Rights and Their Abuses - University Hall 2040
   Moderator: Dr. Venezia Michalsen

Presenter: Kathryn Goldner    Advisor: Dr. Tricia Bogle
Title: Assisted reproduction and regulation

Presenter: Ashley Rosa    Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake
Title: Abortion: The rights and boundaries of counseling

Presenter: McKenzie Delaney    Advisor: Dr. Venezia Michalsen
Title: Human trafficking victims and the positive impact of performing arts therapy

Presenter: Robert Galvan    Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake
Title: Under the rug: Sexual assault in the U.S. Military

5. The State of Our Children - University Hall 2032
   Moderator: Dr. Ian Drake

Presenter: Melissa Zuniga    Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake
Title: American children in the deportation era: An interdisciplinary review of the agencies involved and the psychological impact

Presenter: Misbahul Fatima    Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake
Title: Minor donations: Using children as a means to an end

Presenter: Mame Kani Diop    Advisor: Dr. Pearl Stewart
Title: The influence of polygamy on West African child well-being

Presenter: Judith Dias    Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake
Title: The "Foster Model," addressing mental health, poverty and crime: An interdisciplinary vision of health, education and law for New Jersey families

6. It’s the Law!: Issues in Jurisprudence - University Hall 2031
   Moderator: Avram Segall, Esq.

Presenter: Lisa Labenski    Advisor: Avram Segall, Esq.
Title: The truth about assault weapons

Presenter: Narmin Shahin    Advisor: Avram Segall, Esq.
Title: Prosecutorial misconduct: The pressures to win and remain ethical

Presenter: Raquel Aranda    Advisor: Avram Segall, Esq.
Title: The admissibility of the genetic-based defense

Presenter: Tyrone Barragan    Advisor: Avram Segall, Esq.
Title: Stand your ground: A slippery slope of law

Presenter: Tamara Griesi    Advisor: Avram Segall, Esq.
Title: Criminal behavior: A genetic or psychological imbalance. An interdisciplinary investigation
7. It’s the Economy Stupid! – University Hall 2025
Moderator: Dr. Brian Smith

Presenter: Krystel Sanford
Advisor: Avram Segall, Esq.
Title: The changing of immigration laws, to control the influx of undocumented workers that meet the needs of the growing economy

Presenter: Demetrius Jennings
Advisor: Avram Segall, Esq.
Title: An analysis of the effects of offshore tax havens on the U.S. economy

Presenter: Candice Maneri
Advisor: Dr. Brian Smith
Title: Personal responsibility and Capitalism: A discussion of the necessity for liberal ideas in economic policy

Presenter: Christopher Paparis
Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake
Title: Commercial cannabis: Examining legal history to evaluate the economic future

Presenter: Besar Mahmudi
Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake
Title: I know you wanna...legalize marijuana

8. Environmental Issues – University Hall 2012
Moderator: Dr. Joshua Galster

Presenter: Catherine Konieczny
Advisor: Dr. Joshua Galster
Title: An empirical analysis of the relationship between depopulating cities and baseflow

Presenter: Christopher Fleischl
Advisor: Dr. Stefan Robila
Title: The green IT project
Co-Authors: Cynthia Alvarez Laveaud, Genesis Serviano

Presenter: Faith Justus
Advisor: Dr. Danlin Yu
Title: Spatial distribution of greenhouse commercial horticulture in Kenya and the role of demographic, infrastructure and topo-edaphic factors

Presenter: Sushant Singh
Advisor: Dr. Robert Taylor
Title: Application of risk perception in decision-making for sustainable arsenic mitigation

9. Dancing to the Tune of Art, History, and Culture – University Hall 2008
Moderator: Dr. Patrali Chatterjee

Presenter: Sabrina MisirHiralall
Advisor: Dr. Tyson Lewis
Title: The dangers of creativity to misrepresent Indian classical Hindu dance

Presenter: Kelly Vaghenas
Advisor: Dr. Elsa Davidson
Title: The culture of production of dance teacher magazine

Presenter: Casey Hittel
Advisor: Dr. Patrali Chatterjee
Title: Musical preferences
Co-authors: Peter Moran, Alexandra Antonelli, Christina Kaplan, Sara Akbulut

Presenter: Coral Payano
Advisor: Dr. Elizabeth Valdez del Alamo
Title: Art and the sublime
10. All in the Family – University Hall 2007
Moderator: Dr. Amanda Baden

Presenter: Mercedes James
Title: Observing the lives of teen mothers in foster care
Advisor: Dr. Lisa Lieberman

Presenter: Muhammad Raza
Title: Effect of ideal family size on contraceptive practices
Advisor: Dr. Jennifer Urban

Presenter: Kamila Kolodysnka
Title: The battle over planned parenthood and informed consent laws
Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake

Presenter: Ebony White
Title: Identifying positive outcomes for African Americans raised by single mothers in low income communities
Advisor: Dr. Amanda Baden

Oral and Multimedia Presentations
Block B: 12:55 pm – 2:15 pm

1. Language/Literature: Spoken, Plain, Written – University Hall 2046
Moderator: Dr. Enza Antenos-Conforti

Presenter: John Casella
Title: Domenica Bernardi: A life in letters
Advisor: Dr. Enza Antenos-Conforti

Presenter: Reyther Ortega
Title: Two visions of domestic violence in contemporary Spanish fiction: Lidia Falcón and Icíar Bollaín
Advisor: Dr. Linda Gould Levine

Presenter: Heather Lockhart
Title: In plain English: Applying the plain language movement to academia
Advisor: Dr. Melinda Knight

Presenter: Joseph Gonzalez
Title: The sexual tension in Federico García Lorca's, The House of Bernarda Alba, and its visualization in Mario Camus’s film version
Advisor: Dr. Linda Gould Levine

Presenter: Joseph Gonzalez
Title: Turning film subtitling into an art form: The importance of condensation
Advisor: Dr. Raul Galoppe

2. Digitizing the World – University Hall 2044
Moderator: Dr. Marc Favata

Presenter: Blake Moore
Title: The soundtrack of the universe: Motivation for a gravitational-wave sounds catalog
Advisor: Dr. Marc Favata
Co-author: Goran Dojcinoski

Presenter: Goran Dojcinoski
Title: Listening to the universe: A gravitational-wave sounds catalog
Advisor: Dr. Marc Favata
Co-author: Blake Moore

Presenter: Rocio Duchesne-Onoro
Title: Mapping shrub expansion in the north slope of Alaska
Advisor: Dr. Mark Chopping
Co-author: Ken Tape
3. **The State of College and MSU – University Hall 2042**
   **Moderator:** Dr. Ricard Jensen

**Presenter:** Michael Canzano
**Advisor:** Dr. Kim O'Halloran
**Title:** College students and internet gaming: A slippery slope to addiction

**Presenter:** Kacie Fidler
**Advisor:** Dr. Yam Limbu
**Title:** MSU athletics: It's time to get the ball rolling!
**Co-authors:** Kinga Czochanska, Ashlee Blum, Brian Hill, Corey Munro, Nadine Karinja

**Presenter:** Peter Kang
**Advisor:** Dr. Yam Limbu
**Title:** Students' perceptions of MSU parking facilities: An exploratory study
**Co-author:** Blake Vernam, Kevin Hough, Samantha Wilkens

**Presenter:** Connor O'Brien
**Advisor:** Dr. Ricard Jensen
**Title:** If we promote it, will MSU students come? Marketing roller derby to college students
**Co-authors:** Yarissa Marte, Daniel Bonino

4. **Injuries and Abuses: Enough is Enough – University Hall 2040**
   **Moderator:** Dr. Steven Leigh

**Presenter:** David Lardier
**Advisor:** Dr. Robert Reid
**Title:** Ecological perspectives of risk and resiliencies in adolescent substance abuse

**Presenter:** Veronica Barrios
**Advisor:** Dr. Jonathan Caspi
**Title:** An interdisciplinary framework for Latina sexual abuse disclosure

**Presenter:** Venita Rawal
**Advisor:** Dr. Harriet Glosoff
**Title:** Human trafficking: Identifying and assisting young victims

**Presenter:** Aviv Butvinik
**Advisor:** Dr. Denis Feigler
**Title:** Pedestrian warning system

5. **War and Its Casualties – University Hall 2032**
   **Moderator:** Dr. Daniel Mengara

**Presenter:** Seraphine Nzue-Agbadou
**Advisor:** Dr. Daniel Mengara
**Title:** Killer kids: The journey of an ex-child soldier

**Presenter:** Katie Fitzgerald
**Advisor:** Dr. Elaine Gerber
**Title:** Suicide and depression: Downsides of military culture and its influence in military colleges

**Presenter:** Jonathan Maiorano
**Advisor:** Dr. Brian Smith
**Title:** A classic liberal perspective on war

**Presenter:** Brian Dwight
**Advisor:** Dr. Brian Smith
**Title:** Modernization of the PLA and its implications for the United States

**Presenter:** Alyssa Rainey
**Advisor:** Dr. Brian Smith
**Title:** Humanitarian intervention and the problem of political control in war

6. **Bio-Organic Chemistry – University Hall 2031**
   **Moderator:** Dr. David Konas

**Presenter:** Derek Darby
**Advisor:** Dr. David Konas
**Title:** Synthesis and characterization of carbazole-based activators of cryptochromes
Presenter: Robert Barrows    Advisor:  Dr. David Konas
Title: Synthesis and characterization of indole-3-glycerol phosphate synthase substrate and analogs

Presenter: Diane Hagmann    Advisor:  Dr. Nina Goodey
Title: The effect of heavy metal contamination on select extracellular enzyme activities in the soil
Co-authors: Jennifer Krumins, Carolyn Mathieu

Presenter: Hassan Tahir    Advisor:  Dr. Lee Lee
Title: Green tea polyphenols inhibit biofilm formation in both pseudomonas aeruginosa and pseudomonas fluorescence

Presenter: Seema Patel    Advisor:  Dr. Nina Goodey
Title: Experimental evaluation of allosteric residues involved in ligand specificity in the dihydrofolate reductase family
Co-authors: Dina Abdulrazaq, Maureen Malivert

7. Student Issues Today – University Hall 2012
Moderator:  Dr. Pearl Stewart

Presenter: Kelly Gentry    Advisor:  Dr. Kim O’Halloran
Title: Strategic connections: Partnering adult 2nd degree earners with traditional undergraduates to promote student success

Presenter: Sherlene Ayala    Advisor:  Dr. Kim O’Halloran
Title: Latina doctoral students innovate through virtual support: Recapping Latina voices from the NASPA National Conference
Co-author: Sofia Pertuz

Presenter: Alyssa Willis    Advisor:  Dr. Pearl Stewart
Title: Changing relationships among White, Non Hispanic, middle class first generation college students

Presenter: Ian Callahan    Advisor:  Dr. Christopher Donoghue
Title: Coming out in college: A social climate study

8. Ecological Issues – University Hall 2008
Moderator:  Dr. Jennifer Krumins

Presenter: Carolyn Haines    Advisor:  Dr. Jennifer Krumins
Title: Understanding eutrophication: Flora and bacterial communities of an urban watershed

Presenter: Christie Castellano    Advisor:  Dr. Paul Bologna
Title: Direct and indirect impacts of gelatinous zooplankton on pelagic community structure
Co-author: John Gaynor

Presenter: Natalie Sherwood    Advisor:  Dr. Meiyin Wu
Title: Mercury contamination in New Jersey's snapping turtles (Chelydra serpentina)

Presenter: Marco Finocchiaro    Advisor:  Dr. Meiyin Wu
Title: Effects of plant species and water depth on methane flux in a freshwater wetland
9. Communication and Leadership – University Hall 2007  
Moderator: Dr. Yi Luo

Presenter: Demitra Calivas  
Advisor: Dr. Christopher McKinley
Title: How nonprofit research hospitals use social media: Analysis of the efficiencies of effective communication usage

Presenter: Rosemarie Salvatore  
Advisor: Dr. Yi Luo
Title: When you care enough to tweet the very best: How the greeting card industry utilizes social media to build social capital

Presenter: Stacey Kohler  
Advisor: Dr. Dana Levitt
Title: Ethical dilemmas within the supervisory triad
Co-authors: Connie Ducaine, Kelly Gentry

Presenter: Joel Torres  
Advisor: Dr. Yi Luo
Title: A need for progression from government organizations leading in a digital world

Oral and Multimedia Presentations  
Block C: 2:20 pm – 3:40 pm

1. Teaching, Pedagogy and Education – University Hall 2046  
Moderator: Dr. Mark Weinstein

Presenter: David Johnston  
Advisor: Dr. Emily Klein
Title: How can we help you? Using responsive coaching to support transformative teaching with digital technology in science classrooms
Co-author: Shelley Kurland

Presenter: Daniel Fisherman  
Advisor: Dr. Mark Weinstein
Title: Wittgenstein and value of meaningless questioning

Presenter: Drew Emanuel Berkowitz  
Advisor: Dr. Rebecca Goldstein
Title: What are teachers being told about their students' out-of-school "fanfiction" literacy practices?

Presenter: Mark Russo  
Advisor: Dr. Mika Munakata
Title: Quantitative literacy and high school mathematics: The evolution of a collaboratively constructed course and its impact on students' attitudes and numeracy

Presenter: Eliza Leszczynski  
Advisor: Dr. Mika Munakata
Title: GK-12 teachers' classroom connections of mathematics and science

2. Science and Science Fiction: Way Out! – University Hall 2044  
Moderator: Dr. Wendy Nielsen

Presenter: Doron Darnov  
Advisor: Dr. Kirk McDermid
Title: Anti-philosophers as amateur philosophers: The metaphysical and epistemological claims of modern science

Presenter: Andrew DeLuise  
Advisor: Dr. Wendy Nielsen
Title: Science fiction and American politics

Presenter: Ashley Poulson  
Advisor: Dr. Wendy Nielsen
Title: Defining science fiction across disciplines
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### 3. The World of Mathematics – University Hall 2042  
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### 4. Our Bodies, Our Minds – University Hall 2040  
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### 5. Proteins and Enzymes – University Hall 2032  
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Title: Making a transgenic zebrafish for the expression of ICER in melanocytes as a model for relapsing melanomas and knock out of ICER in Zebrafish

Presenter: Daniel Flores    Advisor: Dr. Sandra Adams
Title: Curcumin as an inhibitor of herpes simplex virus 1 and herpes simplex virus 2 infection in cultured Vero cells

Presenter: Robert Booth    Advisor: Dr. David Talaga
Title: Hydrophobic catalysis of the amyloidogenic aggregation of alpha-synuclein

Presenter: Amna Adam    Advisor: Dr. David Rotella
Title: Synthesis of novel diamines for drug discovery
Co-author: David Rotella

Presenter: James Stamos    Advisor: Dr. Sandra Adams
Title: Inhibition of HSV-2 in Vero cells by EGCG-Stearate

6. Literature By and About Women – University Hall 2031
   Moderator: Dr. Melinda Knight

Presenter: Alexandra Ortea    Advisor: Dr. Monika Elbert
Title: The female gothic: Subverting the status quo

Presenter: Megan Dempsey    Advisor: Dr. Melinda Knight
Title: More than a jester: Dorothy Parker's use of the popular magazine market for social criticism

Presenter: Gloria Lugo    Advisor: Dr. Melinda Knight
Title: Historicizing racial nativism in the works of Willa Cather: 1913-1927

Presenter: Christina Herrera    Advisor: Dr. Patricia Matthew
Title: “It is a pleasure to see a lady with such a good heart for riding”: Horseback riding, carriage rides, and sexuality in Jane Austen's novels

7. Terror, or Security and Surveillance? You Decide – University Hall 2025
   Moderator: Dr. Glen Gill

Presenter: Veronica Furman    Advisor: Dr. Glen Gill
Title: The cyborgization of human consciousness

Presenter: Sean Wrafter    Advisor: Dr. Elizabeth Wishnick
Title: Cybersecurity: America's achilles heel

Presenter: Jennifer Agens    Advisor: Dr. Naomi Liebler, Dr. Caroline Dadas
Title: Visions of terror: Re-contextualizing literature through 9/11 texts

Presenter: Judith Eskenazi    Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake
Title: NSA surveillance and the fourth amendment

8. Issues in the Marketplace – University Hall 2012
   Moderator: Dr. Luis San Vicente Portes

Presenter: Andrew Lee    Advisor: Dr. Patrali Chatterjee
Title: Do successful viral ads generate marketplace success?
Co-author: Daniel Coleman
Presenter: Hammad Alhamad  Advisor: Dr. Luis San Vicente Portes
Title: The labor market in Saudi Arabia, challenges and hope

Presenter: Abby Erler  Advisor: Dr. Yam Limbu
Title: Do generation Y consumers really care about the labeling of genetically modified organisms in food?
Co-authors: Dominic Lindsay, Largesa Sazimani, Samantha Cilibrasi

Presenter: Gifty Oduro  Advisor: Dr. Agatha Jeffers
Title: One set of global accounting standards: Is this a realistic possibility?
Co-authors: Lan Luo, Neveen Yanny, Anita Wenzel

9. It's a Wet, Wet, Wet World – University Hall 2008
Moderator: Dr. Meiyin Wu

Presenter: Idali Rios  Advisor: Dr. Paul Bologna
Title: Diet analysis of the atlantic sea nettle, Chrysaora quinquecirrha, in Barnegat Bay, NJ

Presenter: Laura Ruggeri  Advisor: Dr. Meiyin Wu
Title: Analysis of herbicide treatment effectiveness on common reed (Phragmites australis) of Delaware Bay salt marshes

Presenter: Joseph Kowalski  Advisor: Dr. Joshua Galster
Title: Summer river water temperature changes in the Musconetcong River and their potential impact on aquatic habitat

Presenter: Elen Teo  Advisor: Dr. Joshua Galster
Title: Changes in discharge characteristics of the Hudson River

Presenter: Kevin Olsen  Advisor: Dr. Michael Kruege
Title: Sediment contamination in northern Barnegat Bay before Hurricane Sandy

Presenter: David Colombini  Advisor: Dr. Duke Ophori
Title: Using GIS and groundwater modeling to assess the safety of disposal well locations in Cayuga County, NY

Moderator: Dr. Luis Montesinos

Presenter: Christine Kojima  Advisor: Dr. Elizabeth Valdez del Alamo
Title: Death comes to life: The legend of the three living and the three dead

Presenter: Jesenia Ortiz  Advisor: Dr. Elizabeth Valdez del Alamo
Title: Mind over matter: The power of the mind and the stigmata of Saint Catherine

Presenter: Vincent Paladino  Advisor: Dr. Christopher Matthews
Title: Snake symbolism in the vought house

Presenter: Jessica LaTorre  Advisor: Ron Hollander
Title: Silent heroes
Poster Presentations  
Block A: 9:20 am – 10:35 am  
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**Graduate Award Nominees for Poster Presentations**

**Title:** A multi-stakeholder perspective on factors affecting successful transition to adulthood for youth with severe emotional disturbances (A60)  
**Presenter:** Nadira Kwaja  
**Co-Authors:** Jennifer Urban, Kristen Hassmiller Lich, Rebecca Wells, Nicole Lawrence  
**Advisor:** Dr. Jennifer Urban

**Title:** What predicts visceral adipose tissue: Trunk shape or trunk size? (A37)  
**Presenter:** Robert Moore  
**Co-authors:** Diana Thomas, Steven Heymsfield, Manfred Mueller, Anja Bosy-Westphal, Courtney Peterson  
**Advisor:** Dr. Diana Thomas

**Title:** Stereotype threat, interview structure, and performance (A21)  
**Presenter:** Bridget Muzycyn  
**Co-authors:** Mackenzie Renda, Marta Hanaka, Gaynell Schettino  
**Advisor:** Dr. Jennifer Bragger

**Undergraduate Award Nominees for Poster Presentations**

**Title:** A study of misleading journalistic reporting of the Holocaust – Why the New York Times coverage of the Holocaust was materially understated and misleading as evidenced by comparative analysis of the Times reporting of specific Holocaust stories with that of the New York Herald Tribune for the period 1942-1944 (A57)  
**Presenter:** Arnold Litt  
**Advisor:** Ron Hollander

**Title:** Molecular detection of Ranavirus in the northeastern US: The largest Ranavirus screen in North America (A14)  
**Presenter:** Anthony Strobolakos  
**Co-authors:** Dajana Borova, Alvin Mercado, Mollie Rosenkrantz, Fady Sidhom  
**Advisor:** Dr. Kirsten Monsen-Collar

**Title:** Molecular evolution of opsin genes in bears (A56)  
**Presenter:** Abdelrhman Abo-Zed  
**Advisor:** Dr. Robert Meredith

**Title:** Synthesis of novel diamines for drug discovery (A27)  
**Presenter:** Amna Adam  
**Co-author:** David Rotella  
**Advisor:** Dr. David Rotella

**Title:** The role of parental involvement in child sexual abuse outcomes (A31)  
**Presenter:** Sagal Ahmed  
**Co-author:** Erik Dranoff  
**Advisor:** Dr. Anthony D’Urso
Title: **Randić connectivity indices of octagonal systems (A24)**
Presenter: Rob Rexler Baello
Co-author: William Burke
Advisor: Dr. Aihua Li

Title: **Lateralized differences in tympanic membrane temperature, but not mood, are related to episodic memory (A15)**
Presenter: Taylor Barr
Co-author: Ruth Propper
Advisor: Dr. Ruth Propper

Title: **An interdisciplinary approach to the war on drugs: Its costs, penalties and results (A50)**
Presenter: Joseph Bavolar
Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake

Title: **Student aggression and classroom disruptions (A63)**
Presenter: Luis Bernal
Advisor: Dr. Christopher Donoghue

Title: **Effects of tillage and amendment on soil communities (A5)**
Presenter: Elijah Bohorquez
Advisor: Dr. Jennifer Krumins

Title: **The right to bear arms (A20)**
Presenter: Carmine Bufi
Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake

Title: **The relationship of religiosity, religious coping and adjustment for Latino immigrants in the United States (A16)**
Presenter: Diana Cabezas
Advisor: Dr. Deborah Fish Ragin

Title: **Neutrality in employment standards (A29)**
Presenter: John Carroll
Advisor: Avram Segall, Esq.

Title: **Eyewitness testimony: Implications and reforms (A42)**
Presenter: Tracey Cordeiro
Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake

Title: **PG Bank-The pursuit of a family office (A7)**
Presenter: Nassourou Diallo
Co-authors: Brendan Churchin, Dianel Yunes
Advisor: John Scorsone

Title: **Interdisciplinary discourse on data-mining surveillance and the fourth amendment (A28)**
Presenter: Leonardo Dinic
Advisor: Avram Segall, Esq.

Title: **Intergenerational trauma: Modern day Jews and the effects of the Holocaust (A26)**
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Advisor: Dr. Christopher Donoghue
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Presenter: Nicholas Drywa
Advisor: Dr. Patrick Truitt

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Presenter: Peggy Flood
Advisor: Dr. Mika Munakata

Title: The notion of source in children's event representations (A41)
Presenter: Omaris Garcia
Co-author: Deanna Mendez
Advisor: Dr. Laura Lakusta

Title: Insanity defense-The balance between justice and protecting the rights of criminally insane defendants (A47)
Presenter: Malgorzata Garrity
Advisor: Avram Segall, Esq.

Title: North versus South: Perception of New Jersey dialects (A6)
Presenter: Hannah Gash
Co-author: Jennifer Pardo
Advisor: Dr. Jennifer Pardo

Title: Vegetation coverage in the New Jersey Pinelands Reserve and how intact its canopy remains in the 21st century (A33)
Presenter: Jason Gowers
Advisor: Dr. Mark Chopping

Title: That's a wrap: How wrapper color affects candy flavor expectations and perceptions (A52)
Presenter: Nancy Greene
Co-authors: Monica Jimenez, Daniel Neblock, Arturo Calderon, Yaritza Diaz, Mimi Sheraton
Advisor: Dr. Debra Zellner

Title: DNA sequence analysis using graph indices (A13)
Presenter: Pamela Guerron
Co-author: Zeyad Boodoo
Advisor: Dr. Aihua Li

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Presenter: Julie Irwin
Advisor: Dr. Elaine Hitchcock

Title: Parental advice and conflict coping strategies (A30)
Presenter: Lisa Kaiser
Co-authors: Christopher Donoghue, Alicia Raia-Hawrylak
Advisor: Dr. Christopher Donoghue

Title: Identifying covert contrast in the English stops of a Spanish-influenced speaker (A45)
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Advisor: Dr. Elaine Hitchcock
Title: **How do judges make decisions?: An interdisciplinary analysis of constitutional jurisprudence and legal decision-making (A36)**  
Presenter: Ryan Kenny  
Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake

Title: **Elimination of lymphatic filariasis in developing countries targeting Brugia malayi JNK (A53)**  
Presenter: Tamara Kreiss  
Co-author: Agnieszka Chojnowski  
Advisor: Dr. John Siekierka

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Presenter: Daphne Labropoulos  
Co-authors: Jessica Bury, Sara Berdeu, Alexa Steinberg  
Advisor: Dr. Laura Lakusta

Title: **Inferring gene regulatory networks based mutual information (A22)**  
Presenter: Ahmed Mahmoud  
Co-authors: Chenguang Du, Wenwei Xiong  
Advisor: Dr. Chenguang Du

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Co-author: Rohini Rajendran  
Advisor: Dr. Carlos Molina

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Advisor: Avram Segall, Esq.

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Advisor: Avram Segall, Esq.

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Advisor: Dr. George Antoniou

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Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake

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Advisor: Dr. Eileen Fitzpatrick

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Co-author: Clement Alo
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Co-authors: David Heale, Chris Fleischl
Advisor: Dr. George Antoniou

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Presenter: Douglas Platt
Advisor: Dr. Nicole Panorkou

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Co-authors: Frank Gallagher, Meiyin Wu, Qingzhi Zhu
Advisor: Dr. Huan Feng

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Presenter: Noel Rozier
Co-author: Christopher Donoghue
Advisor: Dr. Christopher Donoghue

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Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake

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Co-authors: Haiyan Su, Meiyin Wu
Advisor: Dr. Haiyan Su

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Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake
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Advisor: Dr. Valerie Sessa

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Advisor: Dr. Chunguang Du

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Co-author: Leo Hentschker
Advisor: Dr. Ashwin Vaidya

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Advisor: Dr. Ian Drake

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Co-authors: Ruth Propper, Tad Brunye
Advisor: Dr. Ruth Propper

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Advisor: Dr. Elaine Hitchcock

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Co-author: Jessyka Venchkoski
Advisor: Dr. Yoav Arieh

Title: Fixated on the end: Infants' looking bias towards goal events (A11)
Presenter: Katie Wiseman
Co-authors: Megan Sommer, Jessica Bury, Inae Colucio
Advisor: Dr. Laura Lakusta

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Co-authors: Ross Scott-Miller, David Rotella
Advisor: Dr. Vladislav Snitsarev

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Advisor: Dr. Marc Kasner

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Co-author: Kaba Tandjigora
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**Presenter:** Karen Lee
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**Presenter:** Anna Flores Locke
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Co-authors: Yarissa Marte, Daniel Bonino
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Advisor: Dr. Agatha Jeffers

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Presenter: Christopher Parker
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Advisors: Dr. Lisa Lieberman, Dr. Eva Goldfarb

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