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## EVENT INFORMATION

### Located in the Function Room (1st Floor)

- Honors senior theses and projects
- Honors contracted class projects
- Appetizers, water, and soda

### Located in the Blue Sky Lounge (5th Floor)

- Projects from honors-level courses
- Coffee, tea, and desserts

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# Fall 2021 Honors Symposium

Thursday, December 9, 2021  
12:30-1:45 PM

Sargent Hall Function Room  
& Blue Sky Lounge

Featuring senior theses, projects from honors  
contracted courses, and honors class projects.

## HONORS SENIOR THESES AND PROJECTS

**Brittany Ayinde**, "How should contract law treat surrogacy contracts?"

Project Supervisor: Professor Chris Melenovsky

Majors: Undergraduate Law and Politics, Philosophy, & Economics

**Madlynn Bard**, "Deer Sanctuary: The Process of Creating Theatre from Page to Stage"

Project Supervisor: Professor Heather Stern

Major: Theatre

**Erin Buckley**, "When Our Priceless Life Becomes Worthless"

Project Supervisor: Professor Chris Melenovsky

Major: Politics, Philosophy, & Economics

**Mallika Choudhari**, "Rendezvous becomes Home"

Project Supervisor: Professor Laura Shink

Majors: Undergraduate Law and Theatre

**Joshua Combs**, "COVID-19 Effect on Residential Real Estate"

Project Supervisor: Professor Inmee Baek

Major: Economics

**Ryan Coyle**, "Health Risks and Barriers to Utilization of Treatment Among Latina Women in the United States"

Project Supervisor: Professor Sukanya Ray

Major: Psychology

**Sarah Davids**, "The Dyke and the Dybbuk by Ellen Galford: Exploring How Judaism and Queerness Intersect Through the Figure of the Dybbuk in a Gothic Novel"

Project Supervisor: Professor Wyatt Bonikowski

Major: English

**Nina Elfakih**, "The Role of the Public Sector in Contentious Action in the Middle East"

Project Supervisor: Professor Rachael Cobb

Major: International Relations

## PROJECTS FROM HONORS-LEVEL COURSES

**SCI-H108-HYB2: Introduction to Cancer Care | Professor Jessica Mak**

- **Haley Donovan, Nicole Malouf, Nolan Perez, Sydney Ramos, and Olivia Whalen**, "Service-Learning with Christopher's Haven"

**SF-H1191-A: Writing Your Future: Genes & Gene Editing | Professor Celeste Peterson**

- **Aliss Chavarri, Matthew Lee, and Sarah Tabbara**, "Ethical and Legal Scenarios Regarding Gene Editing"

**SOC-H113-A: Introduction to Sociology | Professor Áine Lorie**

- **Alyssa Boucher**, "The White Damsel Ideology"
- **Victor Cao**, "Putting the 'Multi' in Multiplayer"
- **Ashlyn Conley**, "The Impacts of Underfunded vs. Funded Schools"
- **Emma Gosselin**, "Educational Inequalities in American Public School Systems"
- **Akhila John**, "Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Maternal Health"
- **Kathryn Kilbride**, "Baseball's Oldest Profession: Deviant Behavior in the MLB"
- **Kayli Kurker**, "Body Image and Food Relationships"
- **Sophie Landau**, "Federal Cannabis Legalization in the U.S."
- **Brett Moore**, "A Violent Education: How the System is Failing"
- **Aya Nakkachi**, "Ethnic-racial Socialization: Identity and Self-worth"
- **Matthew Newman**, "Social media and its impacts in the normalization of decreasing school productivity of the student"
- **Kayla Nordman**, "How Unequal Pay, Inadequate Working Conditions, and Lack of Media Coverage Continues to Stunt the Growth of Women's Professional Sports"
- **Mari Ortega**, "Patient Advocacy & Medical Neglect: Improving Healthcare For Marginalized Patient Groups"
- **Litzy Ortiz**, "First-Responder or First-Human: The Internal Struggle within Social Roles"
- **Shivani Patel**, "Changes of Gender Deviances Over Time"
- **Sebastian Peska**, "Social media and the impact on socializing and mental health"
- **Diana Rucinski**, "The Prevalence of Eating Disorders on College Campuses"
- **Lauren Stodulski**, "How Social Media Advertising in Children's Toys Perpetuates Gender Norms in Society"
- **Kayla Urban**, "Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings: An Analysis on Culture and Stereotypes"
- **Jadan Wenceslao**, "The Flaws of Social Media"
- **Kristen White**, "The relationship between primary socialization surrounding money, and financial stress"
- **Erin Zagzoug**, "Racial Representation in Music Award Shows"

## HONORS CONTRACTED CLASS PROJECTS

**Quynh Nguyen**, "Determine the premium of an insurance policy"  
MATH-225-A: Probability and Statistics  
Professor Xinxin Jiang

**Chloe Ryder**, "The Evolution of DNA: How DNA has been used to crack cases"  
SCI-101-AE: Introduction to Forensic Biology  
Professor Jennifer Sheehan

**Olivia Sears**, "Assessing the Biomagnification of Emergent and Legacy Pollutants in Weddell Seals (*Leptonychotes weddellii*) via Stable Isotope Analysis and Trophic Reconstruction"  
BIO-254-A: Marine Biology  
Professor Carl Merrill

**Sayler Tyson**, "Korean Music of the Past Exhibition"  
CJN-281-A: Asian Popular Culture  
Professor Micky Lee

**Kaviya Vijayakumar**, "Exploring the Impact of Parenting Styles on Social Emotional Development during Adolescence"  
PSYCH-249-A: Introduction to the Lifespan  
Professor Nichole Vatcher

## HONORS SENIOR THESES AND PROJECTS

**Elizabeth Finn**, "Who Gets the Grants? Examining Bias in NIH Research Grants"  
Project Supervisor: Christina Kulich-Vamvakas  
Major: Political Science

**Hoaka Hashimoto**, "Housing Affordability in Hawai'i"  
Project Supervisor: Professor Inmee Baek  
Major: Economics

**Rayan Hijazi**, "Palestine and Israel: The Case for the One-State Solution"  
Project Supervisor: Professor Roberto Dominguez  
Major: International Relations

**Chryssabella Jones-Craig**, "Contracts in the Constitution: A Timeline of American Contract Law and its Influence over the Black Working Class"  
Project Supervisor: Professor Mary Flaherty  
Major: Undergraduate Law

**Sophia Kozlowsky**, "What I learned from 4 years of studying Sociology"  
Project Supervisor: Professor Keri Iyall Smith  
Majors: Psychology and Sociology

**Ainsley Miles**, "Greenpeace and Communication about Issues in the Arctic"  
Project Supervisor: Professor Kevin Carragee  
Major: Print/Web Journalism

**Emily Piken**, "Looking the Story Straight in the Eye"  
Project Supervisor: Professor José Araguz  
Major: English

**Chloe Ryder**, "How should women choose what contraceptive method is best for their body?"  
Project Supervisor: Professor Eric Dewar  
Major: Biology

**Anastasia Salisbury**, "Characterizing Water Quality Among Dammed and Non-Dammed Waterbodies in Thompson, CT"  
Project Supervisor: Professor Hayley Schiebel  
Major: Environmental Studies

## HONORS SENIOR THESES AND PROJECTS

**Roth Santos**, "Examining the SeaWorld PR Crisis Through News Framing"  
Project Supervisor: Professor Cynthia Irizarry  
Major: Public Relations

**Dina Singh**, "Language Access Within the U.S. Immigration System"  
Project Supervisor: Christina Kulich-Vamvakas  
Major: Undergraduate Law

**Yasmine Tebib**, "Care Work and Economic Development"  
Project Supervisor: Professor Rachael Cobb  
Major: International Relations

**Massiagbe Nourha Traore**, "The Recurrence of Conflict in Sub-Saharan Africa"  
Project Supervisor: Professor Rachael Cobb  
Major: Political Science

## HONORS CONTRACTED CLASS PROJECTS

**Kaia Beckerman**, "Plastic Pollution in Our Oceans"  
BIO-201-B: Biology's Big Questions  
Professor Atosa Ahmadi

**Emily Collins**, "MeToo and Sexual Misconduct on College Campuses"  
CJN-212-AE: Journalism II  
Professor Charles St. Amand

**Nina Elfakih**, "The Role of Mis and Disinformation in the India and Pakistan Conflict on Social Media"  
CJN-403-AE: Issues in Journalism  
Professor Jonas Kaiser

**Ashley Fairchild**, "Behind Closed Doors"  
CJN-363-A: Online Journalism  
Professor Charles St. Amand

## HONORS CONTRACTED CLASS PROJECTS

**Deirdre Flynn**, "Perspectives on Home Seen Through the Immigrant's Eyes"  
ENG-135-B: World Literature in English  
Professor Ruth Prakasam

**Taylor Garlock**, "Anxiety among college students when walking alone on campus: Rates and reasons"  
PSYCH-216-A: Research Methods and Design  
Professor Lacey Hilliard

**Cyindia Goolcharan**, "The Evolution of Humans as Meat Eaters"  
BIO-201-B: Biology's Big Questions  
Professor Atosa Ahmadi

**Caitlyn Green**, "Parasocial and Interpersonal Relationships within Video Game Fandoms"  
CJN-321-A: Research Methods in Communication  
Professor Bobbi Van Gilder

**Stephanie Henriquez**, "The Relationship between Social Media and Young Adults during the Covid-19 Pandemic"  
WRI-102-I: First-Year Writing  
Professor Paul Grabianowski

**Nina Insixiengmay**, "Acrylamide in Coffee"  
CHEM-314-A: Instrumental Analysis  
Professor Kelsey Stocker

**Victoria Lento**, "Ikebana"  
ARH-203-AE: Arts of Asia  
Professor Alan Yeung

**Ilana Lindsey**, "Currency Redesign"  
ADG-S214-A: Illustration for Designers  
Professor Peter Bianco

**Alexandra McDonald**, "The City Café"  
PHIL-120-B: Ethics and Civic Life  
Professor Rachel McKinney