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HONORS SYMPOSIUM

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES
HONORS PROGRAM

MAY 4, 2021

1:00 - 4:30 PM EST

OPENING WORDS FROM DEAN LISA CELOVSKY

CONGRATULATIONS AND COMMENTS FROM UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATORS AND CAS FACULTY

STUDENT POSTER PRESENTATIONS

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Honors graduating seniors will present their senior projects to a non-specialist audience - in no more than 180 seconds and using a single slide! Prize winners in each competition will be determined by our panel of guest alumni judges.

GROUP 1 -

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GROUP 2 -

ZOOM LINK: [HTTPS://SUFFOLK.ZOOM.US/J/91929782434](https://suffolk.zoom.us/j/91929782434)

HOW TO SEE POSTERS ON INSTAGRAM

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THREE MINUTE THESIS GROUP 1 PRESENTATIONS

3:30 - 4:30 PM

Meeting ID: 92951043839

* = Department Award Winner

Olivia Lapolla | LawU | “Factum or Fiction: The Women of the Cause Célèbres” | Project Supervisor: Barbara Abrams

Aaron Rondon | Political Science | “A Classical Justification of Social Hierarchy” | Project Supervisor: Jeffrey Johnson

Harrison Dunn | Economics | “How Does A Higher Minimum Wage Affect the Economy?” | Project Supervisor: Jonathan Haughton

Brittany Brown | Politics, Philosophy, & Economics | “The Ethics of Intergenerational Justice” | Project Supervisor: Chris Melenovsky

April Bruno | Biology | “Disguising DNA to Improve Transformation of *S. pyogenes*” | Project Supervisor: Magnus O'Seaghdha

Jaclyn Biller | Global Cultural Studies | “The Impact of Remittances on Household Spending in El Salvador” | Project Supervisor: Jonathan Haughton

THREE MINUTE THESIS GROUP 2 PRESENTATIONS

3:30 - 4:30 PM

Meeting ID: 91929782434

* = Department Award Winner

***Katie Johnson** | English | "Living Off The Grid: The Adaptation Process of Societal Isolation" | Project Supervisor: Amy Monticello

Collin Smith | History and Theatre | "The People of the Peoples Temple" | Project Supervisor: Kathryn Lasdow

Lucy Pollock | History | "Vanguard: Boston in the 1918 Influenza Pandemic" | Project Supervisor: Kathryn Lasdow

***Constance Phelan** | English, Political Science | "Control Even After Death; The Power of the Woman Within du Maurier" | Project Supervisor: Wyatt Bonikowski

James Usovicz | History | "The Democratic Right Turn and the Rise of Inequality" | Project Supervisor: Robert Hannigan

Leticia Adao Gomes | Chemistry | "Interactions of Carbon Dioxide on Nickel Surface: A Reactive Molecular Dynamics Study of Plasma-Catalysis" | Project Supervisor: Kelsey Stocker

***Brooke Bonar** | Chemistry | "Computational Investigation of Dimethylsilanediol Production from Volatile Methylsiloxanes and Hydroxyl Radicals in the International Space Station Atmosphere" | Project Supervisor: Kelsey Stocker

HONORS SENIOR THESES & PROJECTS

* = Department Award Winner

Advertising, Public Relations, & Social Media

Julia Ahaesy | Public Relations | "An Analysis of Fashion as Political Statements and Identity Representation: Womenswear in the Eyes of the Media in the 21st Century" | Project Supervisor: Susan Alessandri

Skyla Buonopane | Advertising | "Why Are Millennials Turning to Witchcraft during COVID" | Project Supervisor: Susan Alessandri

Lillian Kaplan | Advertising | "A Rainbow Coat of Paint: The Commodification of Pride Month" | Project Supervisor: Susan Alessandri

Vivian Kaufman | Advertising, Public Relations | "How Social Media has Shaped Consumer Behavior of the Fashion Industry on Young Adults in the USA" | Project Supervisor: Susan Alessandri

Brittany Russo | Advertising | "Greenwashing: Is H&M as Sustainable as They Claim to Be?" | Project Supervisor: Susan Alessandri

Natalie Fay | Public Relations | "How Driving Forces Behind Section 230 Repeal can De-Incentivize the Twitter Algorithm" | Professor Supervisor: Susan Alessandri

Yinglin Miao | Public Relations | "The Korean Wave: Cultural export and Its Gradual Spread in the World" | Project Supervisor: Susan Alessandri

Catherine Pergolis | Public Relations | "A Post George Floyd World and the Impacts on Athletic Marketing" | Project Supervisor: Susan Alessandri

Jessica Tisevich | Public Relations | "Ravi Zacharias: A Ministry of Spiritual Abuse" | Project Supervisor: Susan Alessandri

Art & Design

Colleen Doonan | Graphic Design | "Bag of Helping" | Project Supervisor: Keith Kitz

Emily Ho | Graphic Design | "InBCultures" | Project Supervisor: Keith Kitz

Charlotte McNeilly | Graphic Design | "On Period" | Project Supervisor: Laura Golly

Lyndsay Kramer | Interior Design | "The Divine Core" | Project Supervisors: Sandro Carella, Stephen Chung

Sophie Mailhot | Interior Design | "The Central Market" | Project Supervisor: Sandro Carella

Megan Tozzi | Interior Design | "Self Sufficient Affordable Housing"

Biology

Valentino Kaja | Biology | "Squirrel Density at Boston Garden Before and After COVID-19 Pandemic" | Project Supervisor: Lauren Nolfo-Clements

Jordan Mills | Biology | "Nickel Allergy" | Project Supervisor: Annette McGehee

Anna Nguyen | Biology | "Identifying Dental Function in Spotted Hyenas" | Project Supervisor: Eric Dewar

Jamie Perry | Radiation Science | "Multiple Myeloma in the 21st Century" | Project Supervisor: Jessica Mak

Chemistry & Biochemistry

***Sirui Chen** | Biochemistry | "Fluorescence Localization of the Conjugation Machinery of *Bacillus subtilis*" | Project Supervisor: Melanie Berkmen

Communication, Journalism, & Media

***Olivia Dulong** | Broadcast Journalism | "Hip Hop's Bad Rap: A Study of the Misogynistic Language in Hip Hop" | Project Supervisor: Kevin Carragee

Noelle Breen | Global & Cultural Communication | "The Use of Foreign Language Films as a Pedagogical Device to Teach a Foreign Language" | Project Supervisor: Kevin Carragee

Tamara Petrov | Global & Cultural Communication | "Appropriation vs. Authenticity: The Use of Black Vernacular English by White Speakers" | Project Supervisor: Kevin Carragee

Carina Fresa | Media & Film | "An Analysis of the Representation of Gay Men in Television Dramas" | Project Supervisor: Kevin Carragee

Veronica Mendez | Media & Film | "The Representation of Female Puberty in the Contemporary Shows *Big Mouth* and *Pen15*" | Project Supervisor: Kevin Carragee

Center for Urban Ecology & Sustainability

Danielle Chernoch | Environmental Studies, Sociology | "How Climate Change and Human Activity are Impacting the Foothill Yellow-Legged Frog of California" | Project Supervisor: Scott Lussier

Jiamin Huang | Environmental Studies | "Examining the Effects of Zoning & Planning Laws on Food Injustice in New York City" | Project Supervisor: Michael Acheampong

Economics

Samantha Imber | Economics, LawU | "The Variation in Prescription Medication Prices: Psychotropic Medications" | Project Supervisor: Jonathan Haughton

Thien Nguyen | Economics | "The Economic Gamble of the 2020 Summer Olympic Games" | Project Supervisor: Jonathan Haughton

Nicholas Sammarco | Economics | "Game Theory and the Bomb: Iranian and American Strategy" | Project Supervisor: Darlene Chisholm

English

***Sydni Masiello** | English | "'I Think You Should Come Home': On Haunted Houses and Family Secrets" | Project Supervisor: Wyatt Bonikowski

***Zoe Phillips** | English | "Uprooting Medievalism: YA and the Future of Fantasy" | Project Supervisor: Kaylin O'Dell

Gabriella DeComo | English, Creative Writing | "Music in Personal Essays" | Project Supervisor: Amy Monticello

***Ally Peters** | English, Creative Writing | "Mental Health Depictions in Young Adult Literature" | Project Supervisor: Quentin Miller

History

Patrick Riordan | History | "The Impact of the Shinto-Buddhist Separation on State Shinto" | Project Supervisor: Ronald Suleski

Political Science & Legal Studies

Nancy Chammas | International Relations | "Transitional Justice: A Possibility for Lebanon?" | Project Supervisor: Michal Ben-Josef Hirsch

Danny Koychev | International Relations, History | "The Relationship Between City Size and Multiculturalism in the Context of Finnish Immigration Policy" | Project Supervisor: Rachael Cobb

***Sydney Black** | LawU | "Becoming a 51A Mandated Abuse Reporter in Massachusetts" | Project Supervisor: Mary Flaherty

Olivia Chilcott | LawU | "Corporate Crime Trends and the Supreme Court" | Project Supervisor: Jason Peterson

Emmaleigh DaSilva | LawU | "Connection Between Mind and Culture" | Project Supervisor: Yvonne Wells

Political Science & Legal Studies

Bailey Herrera | LawU | "Latinas in the Legal Field" | Project Supervisor: Mary Flaherty

Harrison Hunter | LawU | "The Warren Court's Lasting Impact on the Supreme Court" | Project Supervisor: Sheila Scheuerman

Dakhensey Marcellus | LawU | "Sandra Day O'Connor Impact" | Project Supervisors: Mary Flaherty and Sheila Scheuerman

William McCain | LawU | "William Howard Taft and the Experiences of Supreme Court Justices" | Project Supervisor: Sheila Scheuerman

Vanessa Mondre | LawU | "Why Are German Contracts Better?" | Project Supervisor: Mary Flaherty

Madison O'Connor | LawU | "The Evolution of Anti-Cross-Dressing Laws in the United States" | Project Supervisor: Mary Flaherty

Diana Saab | LawU | "The Business of Law" | Project Supervisor: Mary Flaherty

Annetta Giannetto | Political Science | "Why Authoritarian Governments Fail: A Case Study of Slovenia" | Project Supervisor: Rachael Cobb

Olivia Hurley | Political Science, LawU | "American Health Insurance" | Project Supervisor: Charles Chieppo

Karine Kanj | Political Science | "Iranian and United States Increased Tensions: Has it Affected American Politics?" | Project Supervisor: Rachael Cobb

Tania Kemp | Political Science | "Felony Disenfranchisement: The Silencing of Millions"

Mikaela Linder | Political Science | "Understanding the EU's GDPR and the Conflict Around its Regulatory Enforcement" | Project Supervisor: Rachael Cobb

Hayley McIntyre | Political Science | "An Analysis of Reparations in Colombia: Was it Ineffective in Providing Justice to the Victims?"

Jaclyn Norton | Political Science | "Going Viral: How Social Movements Use Social Media" | Project Supervisor: Brian Conley

Meghan Olivar | Political Science | "Transitional Justice in Latin American" | Project Supervisor: Michal Ben Josef Hirsch

Psychology

Suidsada Chonmany | Psychology | "Reducing Meat Intake" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Jenna Coladarci | Psychology | "Bringing Rooftop Farms to Hospitals in Connecticut Will Increase Green Space and Reduce Energy Use" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Marianna Delegas | Psychology, Sociology | "How to Minimize Meat Consumption" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Briana DiMartino | Psychology, Spanish | "Depression & Coping Among Minority Populations" | Project Supervisor: Sukanya Ray

Camille Evans | Psychology | "One Less Stick Figure on the Back of Your Mini-Van: How Having Fewer Kids Can Combat Climate Change" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Molly Farrell | Psychology | "Meatless Monday Targeted Behavior Change" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Maria Gacovino | Psychology | "The Impact of Parental Education on Youth's Psychological Well-Being" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Brian Gallo | Psychology | "A Multidimensional Approach to Reduce Fossil Fuel Emissions: Push for a Cleaner Transportation" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Casey Grosjean | Psychology | "Ending the Stigma Around Mental Health" | Project Supervisor: Susan Orsillo

Samuel Hurley | Psychology | "People's Perceptions of Energy Efficient Lightbulbs' and Climate Change" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Anna King | Psychology | "Changes to Diet to Mitigate Climate Change" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Stephanie Langlais | Psychology | "How Eliminating Meat Consumption or Consumption of Any Animals Products, Can Positively Contribute to Climate Change" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Madison MacDonald | Psychology | "Shifting Consumer Shopping Habits Away from Fast Fashion and Advocating for Industry Wide Steps Towards Sustainability" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Marianne Mouawad | Psychology, Sociology | "Women of Color Fight for Reproductive Rights" | Project Supervisor: Sue Orsillo

Psychology

Teresa Normanly | Psychology | "Using Search Engines to Target Deforestation" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Nicole Oliveira | Psychology | "Does Your Meat Intake Contribute to Climate Change?" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Adriana Patino | Psychology | "Living Good, Living Better, Living Tiny" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Isabella Serpe | Psychology | "The Community Compost Project" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Rosmery Sicilia | Psychology | "Combating Climate Change by Integrating More Plant-Based Meals into Low-Income Households' Diets" | Project Supervisor: Lance Swenson

Sociology & Criminal Justice

Abigail Cluff | Sociology | "What I've Learned" | Project Supervisor: Keri Iyall-Smith

Nicolas Colantonio | Sociology | "American Dream or American Nightmare?" | Project Supervisor: Carlos Monteiro

Julie Le | Sociology | "What I Learned Studying Sociology At Suffolk" | Project Supervisor: Keri Iyall-Smith

Anastasia Moawde | Sociology | "Street Gangs" | Project Supervisor: Pamerson Ifill

***Kimberly Nashawaty** | Sociology, Criminal Justice | "Systematic Discrimination in our Healthcare System"

Interdisciplinary Programs

***Samantha Chase** | History and Literature | "'Things As They Are': William Godwin, the Analytical Review, and 18th Century English Prisons" | Project Supervisors: Hannah Hudson and Patricia Reeve

***Emily Barry** | Politics, Philosophy, & Economics | "Open Border Immigration" | Project Supervisor: Christopher Melenovsky

***Emily Betancourt** | Politics, Philosophy, & Economics, LawU | "The Private Prison Dilemma: Refuting Common Misconceptions" | Project Supervisor: Christopher Melenovsky

Ashley Ceravone | Politics, Philosophy, & Economics | "Should The United States Abolish All Forms of Private Prisons?" | Project Supervisor: Christopher Melenovsky

HONORS CONTRACT PROJECTS

ADI-244 | Interior Materials & Finishes | Professor Jane Hassan

Kassie Peloso "Biomimetic Materials and Architecture"

ADI-254 | Lighting | Professor Anna Gitelman

Kassie Peloso "Communicating Lighting Through Conceptual Photography"

ARH-304 | Art in the Age of Michelangelo | Professor Thomas McGrath

Madeline Herlihy "Martyrs, Mothers, and Heroines"

ARH-309 | Art of the Nineteenth Century | Professor Charles Cramer

Victoria Lento "Representations of Impoverished Women: 19th Century Realism and Rural Naturalist Art in France"

ASL-102 | Elementary American Sign Language | Professor Ying Li

Gabriella Carli "ASL Monologue"

CI-177 | The Open-Hearted Historian | Professor Patricia Reeve

Juliet Giangregorio "Cecilia Squire and the Mystery of the Changing World"

CJN-317 | Copy Editing | Professor Charles St. Amand

Ashley Fairchild "Throw it to the Copy Desk"

CJU-204 | Communities and Crime | Professor Carlos Monteiro

Nicolas Colantonio "American Dream or American Nightmare"

CJU-233 | Pathways Through Criminal Justice System | Professor Lucius Couloute

Evelyn Nuñez "Policing: The Role of Adequate Training"

CJU-335 | Crime Mapping | Professor Rebecca Stone

Jennifer Alvarez-Mendoza "Motor Vehicle Accidents with Pedestrian Injury"

EC-261 | Behavioral Economics | Professor Lawrence De Geest

Maria Isabella Natale Castillo "Can we Nudge Physicians to Prescribe Fewer Opioids?"

EC-430 | International Trade Theory & Policy | Professor Darlene Chisholm

Nicholas Sammarco "Iran and the Bomb: A Strategic Analysis of US-Iranian Nuclear Diplomacy"

HONORS CONTRACT PROJECTS

ENG-156 | Great Books of the World I | Professor Leslie Eckel
Saylor Tyson "Immigrant Stories"

ENG-370 | Fiction Writing Workshop | Professor Wyatt Bonikowski
Gabriella Carli "An Original"

GVT-306 | Women and Public Policy | Professor Christina Kulich
Kiley Searles "Partisan Gerrymandering"

LAWU-221 | Law of Contracts | Professor Mary Flaherty
Dina Singh "German Contracts"

LAWU-310 | Gender, Sexuality, and the Law | Professor Mary Flaherty
Angelica Andrade "Transgender Competing in Women's Sports"

Bailey Herrera "Latinas in the Legal Field"

POLS-223 | American Politics & Institutions | Professor Brian Conley
Meagan Dyer "To What Extent is the Electoral College Obsolete?"

PSYCH-249 | Introduction to Lifespan | Professor Wendy Kennedy
Chloe Ryder "The Lifespan of The Schizophrenic Brain: Contributions to Neurological and Personality Alterations"

SCI-171 | The Built World | Professor Gregory Sonek
Kassie Peloso "Building a Sustainable Future From Renewable Resources"

SPAN-202 | Intermediate Spanish II | Professor Inès Ouedraogo
Kayli Kurker "Che Guevara"

WRI-102 | First Year Writing II | Professor Ruth Prakasam
Gabi Munn "Racism and Social Media"

PROJECTS FROM HONORS-LEVEL COURSES

CHEM-H111 | General Chemistry I | Professor Edith Enyedy

Ethan Ngo "Using Luminol, Forensic Scientists can Utilize Chemiluminescence to Detect Blood at Crime Scenes"

CHEM-H332 | Biochemistry II | Professor Melanie Berkmen

Hunter Toyoda "Using Virtual Reality to Visualize Biomolecular Structures in 3D"

HST-H296 | Building Urban America | Professor Katy Lasdow

Lucy Pollock "Architecture at a Social Distance: Urban Renewal and Boston's West End"

Ainslee Moorehead "Architecture at a Social Distance: Preserving Historic Gales Ferry"

Emily Yurkus "Architecture at a Social Distance: The Johnson Cottage"

Samantha Chase "Architecture at a Social Distance: Louisburg Square"

Anna Jaques-Haerbele "Architecture at a Social Distance: The Woodland, Maplewood, NJ"

Jordan Smith "Architecture Online: The Winslow House"

HST-H483 | Death, Disease, and Healing in America | Professor Pat Reeve

Maria Isabella Natale Castillo & Paola Rodriguez "Depictions of the Vaxxer and Anti-Vaxxer Movement During the U.S. Smallpox Epidemic of the 18th Century"

Rachel Levin "Race Against Time: Creation of the Polio Vaccine"

Megan Batemen "Colonial Almanac"

Ainslee Moorehead "Death Rites in a Seaport Town"

Allison Peixoto "Anti-Vaccination vs Pro-Vaccination Cartoons During the Smallpox Epidemic in the United States"

Katelynn Rice "A Once in a Lifetime Pandemic"

PROJECTS FROM HONORS-LEVEL COURSES

PHIL-H120 | Ethics and Civic Life | Professor Rachel McKinney

Carlos Hernandez "The Social Contract: Why We're Better Off Under It"

SCI-H109 | Intro to Cancer Care | Professor Jessica Mak

Nancy Chammas & Ashley Mulroy "Continuing Creation of the Christopher's Haven Ambassadors Program through Service-Learning"

WRI-H102 | First Year Writing II | Professor Olivia Cerrone

Bricen Boudreault, Jillian Flynn, & Bethany Cabral "COVID-19 Vaccine Will Be More Accessible and Trusted as a Pill"

Anthony Coviello, Emma Connolly, & Aya Nakkachi "Research and Experimentation to Examine the Effects of Algorithms"

Emma Gosselin, Alexandra Gregory, & Khang Nguyen "The Long-Term Effects of Consuming Cultured Meat"

Fernando Zambrano, Alison Hartshorn, Wren Ladd, & Sophia Landau "Cavazos Prosthetics: The Real Cost of an Arm and a Leg"

Maya Panahi, Warsan Shumursal, Lucia Vilches, & Matthew Martinez Alvarez "Using AI to Bridge Cultural Gaps in Doctor/Client Interactions"