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The College of Arts & Sciences

FALL 2023 HONORS SYMPOSIUM

Thursday, December 7, 2023 12:30-1:45 PM Keches Room, Sargent Hall

Featuring senior theses and projects.



HONORS SENIOR THESES AND PROJECTS

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Luc Alexander

"Machines Learning How to Learn" Project Supervisor: Professor John Xu

Major: Computer Science

Annaliese Arnsten

"The Salem Witch Trials: Evolving Perspectives in Historical

Literature"

Project Supervisor: Professor Robert Allison

Major: History

Madelyn Birtwell

"STAIR Narrative Therapy in treating children with complex PTSD"

Project Supervisor: Professor Lance Swenson

Majors: Biology and Psychology

Elizabeth Costa

"The Benefit of Attending Public Court Proceedings: An Examination of Commonwealth vs. Steven Robert Bankert"

Project Supervisor: Professor Santina Mangiafico

Major: Law

Bridget Daggett

"Buried In Your Roots"

Project Supervisor: Professor Audrey Goldstein

Major: Studio Art

Madeline Sampson

"Beyond the Page: Mixed Media Stories, Coming of Age, and

Saving the World"

Project Supervisor: Professor José Araguz

Major: English

Medea Sanabria

"An Analysis of Community Health Workers and the

Professional Prospects for this Career Path"

Project Supervisor: Professor Lance Swenson

Majors: Psychology and Spanish

Abigail Verfuerth

"Going Green Tax Free: Environmental Nonprofit

Comparative Study"

Project Supervisor: Professor Christina Kulich

Major: Political Science

Kerin Wells

"Native American Boarding Schools and Generational

Effects"

Project Supervisor: Professor Keri Iyall Smith

Major: Sociology

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Kayla Nordman

"Civic Education: A Necessary Tool For the Survival of

American Democracy"

Project Supervisor: Professor Christina Kulich

Major: International Relations

Suchi Patel

"An Overview of India-China Relations in the Past 15 Years"

Project Supervisor: Professor Ronald Suleski

Major: International Relations

Syeeda Rahman

"Voting Patterns and Barriers Facing College Students"

Project Supervisor: Professor Rachael Cobb

Major: Political Science

Olivia Rondeau

"Mobile Crisis Units: How Their Implementation Affects the

Healthcare and Criminal Justice Systems"

Project Supervisor: Professor Charles Chieppo

Major: Political Science

HONORS SENIOR THESES AND PROJECTS

Emily Dempsey

"Modern-Day Censorship: An Analysis of Book-Banning and

its Harmful Impact on Students"

Project Supervisor: Professor Bobbi Van Gilder

Major: Journalism

Cianna Doub

"Monstrous Women and The Especially Heinous: Gender, Grotesque and Horror in Carmen Maria Machado's Work"

Project Supervisor: Professor Quentin Miller

Major: English

Kaylyn Dressel

"Content Strategy Impacts: Optimizing Pro-Cybersecurity

WSJ Ads"

Project Supervisor: Professor Jodi Nevola

Major: Advertising

Kiko Garcia Griego

"Yasunari Kawabata and the Quiet Outcry of Change"

Project Supervisor: Professor Wyatt Bonikowski

Major: English

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Juliet Giangregorio

"The Most Poetical Topic': Female Death and Domesticity in American Literature"

Project Supervisor: Professor Leslie Eckel

Major: English

Natalie Gilbert

"Privilege in Preservation: An Exploration on the Role of Women Philanthropists in Historic Newport, Rhode Island" Project Supervisor: Professor Robert Allison

Major: History

Caitlyn Green

"Taking 'Bad' Horror Seriously: A Comparative Genre

Analysis of Troll 2 (1990)"

Project Supervisor: Professor Mocha Herrup

Major: Media & Film

Dalia Katerji

"Age-Related Memory Loss and The Man with a Shattered

World: A Comparison"

Project Supervisor: Professor Yvonne Wells

Major: Psychology

HONORS SENIOR THESES AND PROJECTS

Aaron Leventhal

"Consequences of and Solutions for Immense Wealth Inequality"

Project Supervisor: Professor Guy Schuh Major: Politics, Philosophy and Economics

Shannon MacArthur

"Where the Wild Things Were: A Historiography and Investigation of two of Boston's Forgotten Neighborhoods of Scollay Square and the Combat Zone, and the LGBTQIA+

Community that Existed within them"

Project Supervisor: Professors Leslie Eckel and

Robert Allison

Major: History and Literature Honors

Kely Maloney

"Coming Down is the Hardest Thing"

Project Supervisor: Professor Jeremy Levine

Major: Media & Film

Angela Matta

"China's Paradox: Income Inequality Within a Socialist

Country"

Project Supervisor: Professor Weiqi Zhang

Major: International Relations