# 31<sup>st</sup> VSU Undergraduate Research Symposium April 7-11, 2025

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## Monday

# April 7

## **Freshman Projects**

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#### Open at 2:00 pm

# Tuesday April 8 Oral Presentations Onsite Student Union Theater

#### 8:00-9:15

## **Moderator: Dr. Samantha Paul**

#### **Aniste Marie Pascale Philor**

Healthcare beyond Borders: Overcoming Culture, Linguistic, and Systemic Challenges for Immigrants

Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Ellis Logan and Dr. A.J. Ramirez Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice

#### Ralph Avery

# Quantum Consciousness and Its Potential Future Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Martha Leake

Department of Applied Mathematics and Physics

#### Alexis K. Herman Mental Health in Adolescents

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Phillip Storey Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice

#### Saydee Najarro

Childhood Adversity and Future Educators: A Comparative Study of ELED and Non-ELED Students' ACE scores

> Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Forrest Parker Department of Teacher Education

#### Airionna Fordham

## **Evaluation of Antibacterial Properties in** Natural Bioactive Compounds

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Gopeekrishnan Sreenilayam Department of Chemistry and Geosciences



# 9:30-10:45

# **Moderator: Dr. Zulal Denaux**

**Steven E. Covington** *Democratization across the Globe: Historical Context and Contemporary Factors* Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Michael J. Baun and Dr. James LaPlant Department of Political Science

Natalia Guadalupe Charles A Study of First-Generation College Students from Migrant Farm Worker Families

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anne Price Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice



Margaret Ellison Smith Who is Running the Agricultural Industry?

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Keith Lee Department of Political Science

**Trevor Hanchey** Determining the Strength of Decks in a Mobile Card Game Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Andreas Lazari Department of Biology

# 11:00-11:50 Moderator: Dr. Ahana Roy Choudhury

**Carman N. Patterson** 

Do you Think Family Structure has an Impact on Juvenile Delinquency?

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anne Price Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice



Oscar Shute From Wartime Campus to Modern College: How WWII Transformed Georgia State Women's College and South Georgia Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melanie Sue Byrd Department of History, Philosophy, Religion, and Interdisciplinary Studies



Kassidy J. Hernandez Forecasting Harvard Early Action Admissions through Mathematical Models Eaculty Sponsor: Dr. Andreas Lazari

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Andreas Lazari Department of Applied Mathematics and Physics 12:00-12:50

**Moderator: Dr. Tom Aiello** 

Spotlight on Internships in Africana Studies

# Meia Little, M. Hannah Moss, Brittany Palmore, and Kai Ward

# Sponsors: Dr. Antoinette Gazda and Dr. Joseph Robbins

Students in the inaugural cohort of the Mellon Foundation grant will discuss their internship experiences with a variety of community partners and governmental entities. The internships are focused upon improving the quality of life in our region as well as community engagement by our students in the humanities.



1:00-1:50

# **Moderator: Dr. Anne Price**

**Reagin M Jones** Language, Policy, and Justice: Schools as a Safe Space in Wake of Executive Order 14148

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ericka Parra Department of Modern and Classical Languages



# Clarissa A. Mallory The Extent to which the Willingness to Learn about New Knowledge Relates to the Level of Receptiveness to Cultural Diversity

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Chia-ling Ho Department of Communication Arts

Cathy Jan M. Bowen

Fact to Fiction:

#### The Historical Context of The Handmaid's Tale

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Chere Peguesse Departments of English and History

# Jasmine Battee How does Parental Incarceration and the Foster System affect Juvenile Crime?

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anne Price

2:30-3:45 Moderator: Dr. Samantha Paul



Remy Barclay Are We So Different? An Analysis of Fashion in the Romantic Age Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ubaraj Katawal Department of English

## Lindsay Henshaw

Perceptions of Educators through the Lens of Gender

Dr. Ellis S. Logan and Mr. Phillip Storey Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice

## Jaden Markee Rogers How Louverture used his Leadership Skills during the Haitian Revolution

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Mary Block Department of History, Philosophy, Religion, and Interdisciplinary Studies

#### 4:00-5:30

## **Moderator: Dr. James LaPlant**

#### Addeline S. Wright

The Communication Question: Finding a Method of Communication for a d/Deaf or Hard of Hearing Child

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Laura Abercrombie Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders

**Aniste Marie Pascale** 

Bridging gaps in Immigrant healthcare: Disparities, Methodologies, cultural competence training, and technological innovation

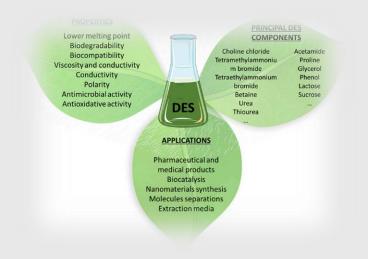
Dr. Ellis S. Logan and Dr. Anne Price Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice

Jocelyn Cooley, Emma Ham, Robert Winfield, Madeleine Mayer Waist to Height Ratio is Not a Superior Proxy Measure of Visceral Adipose in Reserve Officers' Training Corps Cadets

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Mark J. Kasper Department of Health Sciences

## David B. Vasquez UV Analysis of Engineered Heme Biocatalyst Stability in Deep Eutectic Solvents

Dr. Gopeekrishnan Sreenilayam Department of Chemistry and Geosciences



6:00 SYMPOSIUM SPEAKER Moderator: Dr. Fred Knowles, Jr.

> 6:00 pm Student Union Theater

# Dr. Kent Blansett Writing Biography: A Journey to Freedom University of Kansas



Door Prizes For Book Signing will be Drawn

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# Wednesday April 9 Oral Presentations Student Union Theater

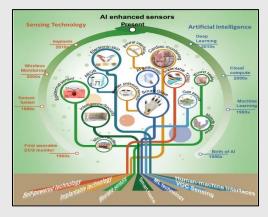
#### 8:00-8:50

# Moderator: Dr. Glenda Swan

#### **Bogeon Lee**

Application of Electrical Sensor and AI technology to Improve Quality of Life

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Shantanu Chakraborty Department of Computer Science and Engineering Technology



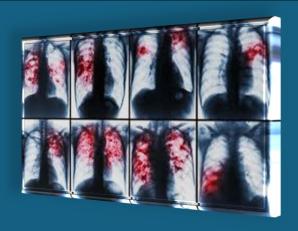
Andrew Elsenrath Einhard's Charlemagne: A New Model of an Ideal "Roman" Emperor Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sebastian P. Bartos Department of History, Philosophy, Religion, And Interdisciplinary Studies

Cassandra A. Ayers The End of All Roads: Imperial Nostalgia, Roman Exceptionalism, and Nationalist Rhetoric in the 20th Century Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Christy Beth Yates

Department of Communication Arts

#### 9:00-9:50

## Moderator: Morgan Wynn



# Spotlight on Tuberculosis and Chemistry

#### Pearce Persaud, Connor bland, Victoria Kent, and Kailyn Wilson

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas Manning Department of Chemistry and Geosciences

Tuberculosis (TB), caused by the *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, has been a widespread deadly disease throughout human history. It is estimated that up to one billion deaths in the past 200 years can be attributed to the bacterial infection. Our lab has been investigating the role of Cu(II) as an excipient for cancer drugs, antibiotics, and anti-virals. Bedaquiline (BDQ), a molecule developed by Johnson and Johnson, was developed to treat Drug Resistant tuberculosis. It also drew worldwide controversy because of its cost (\$11,400/vial USD). The nation of India, which has over 500 million citizens with Tb, has an average salary of approximately 11,000 USD. In this study, we synthesized a novel Cu-Bedaquiline complex and had it accepted for testing at the NCI (along with pure BDQ). Pure BDQ did have some efficacy against the 60 types of cancer. But it only slightly slowed it down. The Cu-BDQ didn't just stop, but killed the cancer cell cells, in some cases it knocked out over 95% of the cancer cells with the single low dose. While we are pursuing BDQ as a cancer drug, we are also revisiting its role as an antibiotic. We have demonstrated in past studies with other antibiotics (1), with specific structural details, that Cu(II) can enhance their efficacy. Analytical work for BDQ and Cu-BDQ is being conducted by the National High Field Magnet Lab and has moved on to the next round of testing at NCI.

## 10:00-10:50

**Moderator: Prof. Darcy Patel** 

#### **Jalen Mercer**

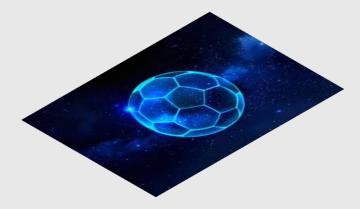
Decline in Comparison: The Failure of Democracy as Understood through Alberto Fujimori's Peru and Viktor Orban's Hungary

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Baun Department of Political Science



#### Colter R. Leasure An Examination of Retirement Plans across Universities in the United States Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Sanjay Gupta and Dr. Attila Cseh Department of Accounting

### Rachel Barrett In The Stands and Beyond: An In-Depth Look at Soccer Subculture in South Georgia Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Shelly Yankovskyy Department: Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice



11:00-11:50 Moderator: Dr. Ahana Roy Choudhury

> Kolby L. Ramsey United States Population Growth vs. India Population Growth Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Andreas Lazari Department of Chemistry and Geosciences

> Montesha T. Franklin What Roles do Environmental Factors during Egg Incubation Play in Shaping Development in Reptiles? Faculty Sponsor Dr. John Phillips

Department of Biology



Elizabeth Haley The Rise and Impact of Right-Wing Populism in Hungary Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael J. Baun Department of Political Science

# 12:00-12:50

# PIZZA LUNCH

**Student Union Ballrooms** Symposium Participants and Faculty Sponsors Only

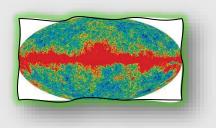




1:00-1:50 Moderator: Dr. Ahana Roy Choudhury



Jordan Phillips Mistaken Identity: How to Eliminate the Inadequacies of Current Forensic DNA Analysis Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Christine A. James College of Honors



#### Myles L. Jackson What is Cosmic Background Radiation? Eaculty Sponsor: Dr. Leake

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Leake Department of Applied Mathematics and Physics

# Deborah Maxwell Cushing's Syndrome: A Rare and Dangerous Condition

Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Ofelia Nikolova and Dr. Grażyna Walczak Department of Modern and Classical Languages

# 2:00-2:50 PERFORMANCES

## Moderator: Dr. Glenda Swan

#### Alysia D. Johnson

Private Lesson vs. Group-Setting Musician: How Musical Upbringing Can affect Teachers and Musicians Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Kristin Pfeifer Yu and Dr. Christen Dillon Department of Music

#### Ramiyah Fulton and Aidan Lee Unconventional Collaboration: Exploring Unique Ensemble Pairings Music

Faculty Sponsors: Prof. Maila Springfield, Prof. David Springfield and Dr. Ryan Smith Department of Music

### Oscar Suy-Perez and Shanya G. Garnett Exploring "Por el Sur" by Remo Pignoni: Three Unique Performances

Faculty Sponsors: Prof. Maila Springfield, Prof. David Springfield, and Dr. Tamara Hardesty Department of Music and Dr. Ericka Parra Department of Modern and Classical Languages



3:00-3:50 PERFORMANCES Moderator: Dr. Marc Pufong



Kayla Marie Strickland, Molly K. Turner, and Jada Sanders *Exploring Romanticism and Neo-Romanticism through Chamber Music: Bloch's Suite Hébraïque and Brahm's Geistliches Wiegenleid* Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Kristin Pfeifer Yu and Dr. Joshua Pifer

Department of Music

Kevin Juarez and Eric Rubio Selections from West Side Story by Leonard Berstein Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Joshua K. Pifer Department of Music

Griffin Hillner, Kevin Juarez, and Katherine Niles Mini Tango for Piano 6 Hands by Manfred Schmitz

> Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Joshua K. Pifer Department of Music

# 4:00-5:30 Debate Speaker of the House: Dr. Michael Eaves

Tariffs are Bad for the US Economy

Pro: Payton Galloway Con: Reagin Jones



# Webinar https://bit.ly/VSUUGR25 1:00

## Moderator: Dr. Ofelia Nikolova and Dr. Grażyna Walczak

Macie H. Green Examining the Impact of House Bill 1084: Critical Race Theory in K-12 Classrooms

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Karen A. Terry Department of Teacher Education

## Lauren I. Mariah French: Est-ce que l'Hamlet de Thomas est encore Hamlet? Is Thomas' Hamlet still Hamlet?

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ofelia Nikolova Department of Modern and Classical Languages

#### Lauren I. Mariah

## Une Illustration du monde français du passé An Illustration of the French World of the Past

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ofelia Nikolova Department of Modern and Classical Studies

#### **David M Faul**

#### Le français en Louisiane : un combat pour la survie

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ofelia Nikolova Department of Modern and Classical Languages

#### Monique N. Burts La Maison Dior The House of Dior

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# 6:00-7:30 VIDEO CONEST Student Union Theater

## **Moderator: Dr. Tom Aiello**

## **Taelynn Walton**

*Zika virus* Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas Manning

Department of Chemistry and Geosciences

#### Brystan T. Carthon

Measles and the Connection to Subacute Sclerosing Panencephalitis

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas Manning Department of Chemistry and Geosciences

## Booker Areemoshe, Darius Jackson, and Je'Niece Manning

Carotenoid Extractions using Deep Eutecic Solvents Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Gopeekrishnan Sreeilayam

Department of Chemistry and Geosciences

#### Mallory E. Jablonski

The Unreliable Resource: Why AI Fails as a Creative Tool in Art and Design

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Evely Davis-Walker Department of Art and Design

#### Amanda Herndon

#### **Crisis Prevention for Nursing Studies**

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lisa Lowe Department of Nursing

#### Shagufta Khan

#### The Environmental cost of AI

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lavonna Lovern Department of Philosophy

Connor C. Bland and Pearce A. Persaud Making Bacteria Glow Biotech Lessons for the Classroom Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ansul Lokdarshi Department of Biology

# Thursday April 10 Oral Presentations Student Union Theater

# 9:30-10:45 Moderator: Dr. Gopeekrishnan Sreenilayam

### Korey S. Gates

**Demographics and Aspirations for a Career in Law Enforcement** 

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anna Price Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice



**Kynan Day** *Optimizing, Quality, Safety and Care* Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Mohammad Movahed Department of Healthcare Administration

# **Fiona C. Brightman** *Carotenoid Extraction using Deep Eutectic Solvents*

Faculty Sponsors Dr. Alexandrina L. Focsan and Dr. Gopeekrishnan Sreenilayam Department of Chemistry and Geosciences

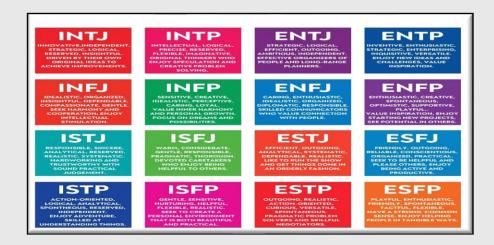
## **Alyssa Archer**

The Rise of Political Polarization and Democratic Backsliding

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Bernard Tamas Department of Political Science

#### 11:00-11:50

# **Moderator: Dr. Chia-Ling Ho**



#### Demetria A. Wright Expressionism in Church and its affects on Personality Types Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Logan Ellis and Dr. Anne Price Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice

## Sabrina R. Maine

The Sixth Amendment: The Examination of Case Law and Evolution of Defendants' Rights

> Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Fred Knowles jr. Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice

## Cecilia G. Kee Trauma Makes You Interesting: PTSD and Brain Development in Adolescents

Dr. Shelly Yankovskyy Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice

# 12:00-12:50 Graduate Panel Moderator: Dr. Kelly Davidson

Lauren Mariah-Paris Between the Wars: The Hothouse for Women Artists

Kiley Olchaskey Solidarity Between Queers: Reading Jordan Baker and Nick Carraway in a "Lavendar Marriage"

Georgia Wynn The Poison Trickles Down: Maternal Trauma in Gillian Flynn's Sharp Objects

> Sheena Martin Social Stratification of ACE Biomarkers: A Story of Perpetual Inequality

# Trinity Williams Let's Talk Allergies: An Analysis of an Online Community of Allergy Sufferers

# 1:00-1:50 PERFORMANCES Moderator: Dr. Susan Boddie

Griffin D. Hillner and Katherine A. Niles Showcasing The Sleeping Beauty Waltz for Four Hands Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Joshua Pifer Department of Music

Danarieza Villa Nuñez and Soyeon Lee Seligkeit by Franz Schubert (1797-1828) and Because by Florence Price composer (1887-1953) Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Susan Boddie and Dr. Beibei Lin Department of Music



#### 2:00-2:50

## Moderator: Dr. Sarah FitzGerald

#### Sianna Knight

Decolonizing Black Masculinity: Slavery's Effects on Black Men's Relationship with Masculinity During the Civil Rights Movement

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sarah FitzGerald Department of History, Philosophy, Religion and Interdisciplinary Studies

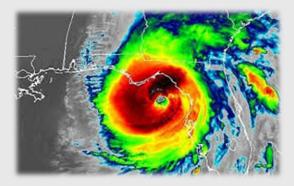
Rachel Barrett The Stands and Beyond: An In-Depth Look at the Soccer Subculture in South Georgia

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Shelly Yankovskyy Department: Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice

#### Jacob Avila

#### The Immediate and Lasting Effects of Hurricane Helene

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Shelly Yankovskyy Department: Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice



Shagufta Khan Can We Reverse Desertification? Innovations in Land Restoration Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lavonna Lovern

Department of History, Philosophy, Religion and Interdisciplinary Studies

# 3:00-3:50

Moderator: Dr. A.J. Ramirez

## Spotlight on Internships in Modern and Classical Languages and Women's and Gender Studies

# Averi L. Keller, Jermarcus T. Green, and Wanda D. Gabriel Faculty Sponsors: Dr. A.J. Ramirez and Dr. Ericka H. Parra

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# 6:00-7:30 Posters Presentations Student Union Ballrooms

**College of the Arts** 

# **Department of Art and Design**

#### Sarah Pirkle

*The Magdalen Laundries and the Art of Imagination* Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Glenda Swan

#### Megan N. White

*Liza Lou's Kitchen and the Art within Domestic Labor* Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Glenda Swan

> Simon Gunnarsson Planning an Exhibition as an Intern at the Turner Center for the Arts Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Glenda Swan

Haley D. Miller Artists Dealing with Identity and Memory in the Post-Holocaust Era Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Rebecca Reynolds

# **Department of Communication Arts**

Ashley S. Jones Exploring the Relationship between Loud Music and Anxiety Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Chia-ling Ho



Harley Langdale, Jr. College of Business Administration

# **Department of Finance and Economics**

Chrystal Aaliayah Shadai Young Analyzing the Implications of Extending Foster Care Beyond the Age of 18 Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Murshed Jahan

# James L. and Dorothy H. Dewar College of Education and Human Services

# **Department of Teacher Education**

Baileigh N. Rowland The Impact of Trauma on Classroom Management: Perspectives from Future Educators Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Forrest Parker

Lauriana R. Waddell The Effects on Parental Involvement on Elementary Students' Academics and Behaviors Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Forrest Parker

# **Department of Communication Science and Disorders**

Wesleany Sasiain The Silent Call for Action: Understanding the Impact of Climate Change on Communication Disorders Faculty Sponsor Dr. Chere Pegueese

# **College of Humanities and Social Sciences**

# **Department of English**

Cinia J. Bailey

Investigating Idiopathic Toe Walking: Exploring Treatment Approaches to Uncover Potential Causes Faculty Sponsor: Prof. Lizbeth A. Heath

Nyasia Watkins

**Emotional Regulation and Family Dynamics: Supporting Children's Well-Being During Parental Separation** Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Chere Peguesse

# Department of History, Philosophy, Religion, and Interdisciplinary Studies

Alexia M. Griffin

How did Pola Negri Impact or Affect the Entertainment Industry or Movies in America? Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Dunn

Markee S. Schaefle

Public Canvas, Private Voices: The Ethical Dimensions of Graffiti and Street Art Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lavonna Lovern

Margaret Ellison Smith Are We Really That Polarized? Do We Have as Many Liberties as We Think We Do? Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lavonna Lovern

Shagufta Khan From Lab to Life: How AI Is Accelerating Medical Breakthroughs Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lavonna Lovern

Amanda L. Hopper Metalsmithing and Jewelry Making Techniques Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lavonna Lovern

# **Department of Modern and Classical Languages**

Shatavia J. Harris

*The Role of the Negotiation of Meaning in Second Language Acquisition* Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Victoria Russell

# Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice

#### Sidney Wilson

Impression Management at Work: Hustle Culture's effect on Wellbeing and its Expression on Social Media Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ellis S. Logan

#### **Shenteice N. Smart**

What Does the U.S. Population Think about the Root Causes of Crime, Recidivism, and Best Practices to Rehabilitate Offenders? Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anne M Price

> **Kayla Mattox** Artificial Intelligence in Medicine Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Ellis S. Logan and Dr. Anne Price

#### **Shanice Jones**

Surviving Minimum Wage: An Analysis of the Financial Impacts of Minimum Wage Work Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Ellis S. Logan and Dr. Anne Price

#### **Isabella Woodley**

Impact of Race and Gender on Police Stop Frequency in Charlotte, North Carolina: An Analysis of Discrepancies in Law Enforcement Facutly Sponsor: Dr. Ellis S. Logan and Dr. Anne Price

#### **Emily C. Hanna**

Does Living On or Off Campus and Distance from Home Affect Social Interactions within Peers? Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anne Price

#### Mya Clinique Saffo

How Does the Structure of an Individual's Home Life and his/her Peer Influence Affect the Likelihood of Engaging in Juvenile Delinquent Activities? Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anne Price

#### **Steve D. Salomon**

*The Adultification of Black Boys in Society and Media* Faculty Sponsor: Prof. Phillip Storey

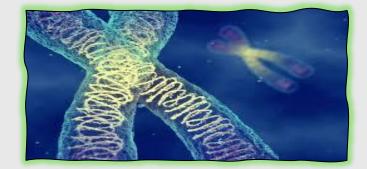
#### Kaylie M. Degale

How Does Having a College Education Play a Role in Identity Politics and Why People Vote the Way That They Do Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ellis S. Logan

#### Sabrina R. Maine

Assessing the "Perfect" Correctional Substance Abuse Program: A Comparative Analysis of Existing Programs to Integrate Strengths and Address Weaknesses Faculty Sponsor: Prof. Joshua Atkins

Annsley I. Mohr How the MAOA Gene is Linked to the United States Criminal Justice System Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Shani Wilfred



Brandy Hampton How Does Working More than 20 Hours Per Week and Commuting Affect Students Grade Point Average? Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anne Price

# **Department of Political Science**

Reagin M. Jones The Art of Instability: Russia's Hidden Agenda in Frozen Conflicts Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Baun

> Jasmine N. James and Jacob Bachrach Law, Justice, and Rights in Modern Columbia Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Marc C. Pufong

> > **Benjamin E. Elliott**

Georgia Turns Red Again: Analyzing the Key Predictors of the Trump Vote in the 2024 Presidential Election across the Counties of Georgia? Faculty Sponsor: Dr. James LaPlant

#### Lacandra E. Davis

Assessing Barbados: Constitutional Regime Change, Citizenship Rights, and the Rule of Law Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Marc Pufong

**Mercedes L. McElroy** 

**Religion and its Potential to Affect Democratic and Republican Voting** Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Bernard Tamas

Khlanna N. Gibson

US Foreign Aid/Investment across Africa: Key Predictors of the Level of Foreign Aid and Investment in Countries Faculty Sponsors: Dr. James LaPlant and Dr. Michael Baun

> Victoria Tanner Modern Qatar Theocracy, Changing Ideas of Citizenship, and Rule of Law Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Marc Pufong

## **Department of Psychological Sciences**

Madison R. Williams Salivary Cortisol in Undergraduate Students during Exam Time Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Kristin N. Kirchner

### Pearce A. Persaud and Connor C. Bland A Systemic Review of Moral Injury and Compassion Fatigue and Prevention Strategies in Healthcare Professionals Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Kristin N. Kirchner

#### Jayla M. Lewis

Like Moths to a Flame: The Relationship Between Cognitive Processes and College Major Choice Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Mark Whatley

#### Frederick N. Lee

Self-Behavior Project: Interacting with Others Faculty Sponsor: Dr. David Wasieleski

#### **Fabiola D. Torres**

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and Adult Well-Being: How ACEs impact Self-Efficacy and Psychological Well-Being in Veteran Populations Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Haley Sherman

Lindsey M. Sparks, Jayla M. Lewis, Danielle M. Durant, Makaila V. Warrington, Yoselyn J. Molina Melendez, and Brenda A. Morales Nunez Development of an Attitudes Toward Black Women in Leadership Positions Scale Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Meagan M. Wood Hopkins

#### **Barilule G. Mtuanwi**

Predicting Stress Levels: Common Factors Likely to affect Stress Levels among College Students Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Blaine Browne

#### **Ghavin A. Okorley**

Is Beauty Skin Deep? How Sex and Skin tone Influences Attractiveness and Personality Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Mark A. Whatley



# **College of Science and Mathematics**

# **Department of Applied Mathematics and Physics**

Jordan Hewins, Ian McLean, and Jasmine Freeman Simulating a Stable Orbital Solution for the Kepler-62 System Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Martha A. Leake

Marissa A. Norlund and Kisten N. Speldrick Comet Light Curve and Image Reduction with Open-Source Software Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Martha A. Leake

> Lauren Taunton and Sarah Glass Using Origami to Explore Geometry Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Denise Reid and Dr. Arsalan Wares

Jasmine Freeman Modeling Exoplanet Transits using Bayesian Analysis Facutly Sponsor: Dr. Jiayin Dong



# **Department of Biology**

Anthony M. Giles, Damon E. Negron, and Mia K. Price Agrobacterium-Mediated Transient Gene Expression in Pansy Flowers Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ansul Lokdarshi

> Emily J. Ramirez-Choxom and Mia Price Sexual Selection in Betta splendens: Female Preferences and Male Mating Strategies Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Emily Rose

Shyanne R. Christner Mosquitofish Ventilation Rate and Parasitism in Drexel Park (Gambusia holbrooki) Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Emily Rose Jordan S. Gonzalez, Layla N. Gay, Thomas C. Emery, and Cheyenne M. Stapleton Morphological Evolution of Land Snails in South America (Bostryx, Chiliborus, and Plectostylus) Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Phillips



Cameron A. Jackman and Charly L. Mitchell Associated Complications of GCK MODY Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Eric Chambers

Leslie Hunt, Siya Brahmbhatt, and Chistabel Ofori Learning Transient Protein Expression in Nicotiana benthamiana Plant Leaves Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ansul Lokdarshi

Charly Mitchell, Zacchaeus Kier, Ali Ashraf, and T. Mason Linscot Gene Flow of Peanut snails (Cerion) in the Florida Keys Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John G Phillips

> Pearce A. Persaud and Connor C. Bland Tracking Movement of Brown Marmorated Stink Bugs (BMSB) from Sassafras Trees to Crop Fields Using Mark-Recapture and ELISA Detection Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ansul Lokdarshi

# **Department of Chemistry and Geosciences**

Joseph A. Markovcic, Sarah A. Rourke, and Saul Torres *Iron(III) Oxide Nanocrystalline Photoanodes Modified with Pluronic Polymers* Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Linda de la Garza

David B. Vasquez Anaerobic and Aerobic Performance of Mb(H64V,V68A) in Deep Eutectic Solvents Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Gopeekrishnan Sreenilayam Jalen Jovan Bell

A Prehistoric Story through SUDOKU Puzzled Style Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas Manning

Braden M. Hendrix

Antibiotics and the Infections and Diseases Each Can Treat Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas Manning

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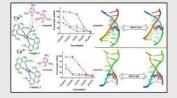
Novel Probe for Extracellular Measurement of Superoxide Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Yakov Woldman

Oluwatobi A. Salami *Extraction of Carotenoids from Oranges using Nonionic Deep Eutectic Solvents* Dr. Gopeekrishnan Sreenilayam, Dr. Alexandrina Foscan, and Dr. Tolulope Salami

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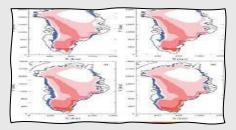
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