

Wednesday, April 27, 2011

Dance, Music, and Theatre Presentations

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Fine Arts Building, Room 317

Moderator: Doug Hamby

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.	Shaun Vain “Body Mechanics: Applying Suzuki, Viewpoints and Delsarte System of Expression to Stage Performance” Professor Alan Kreizenbeck, Mentor	Theatre
10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Hannah Rider “Ornamentation in the Historical Context” Professor Lisa Cella, Mentor	Music
10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	Franki Trout “Investigating the Technique and Legacy of José Limón” Professor Douglas Hamby, Mentor	Dance
10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Michelle Brandenburg “Body Awareness: New Discoveries in Movement” Professor Doug Hamby, Mentor	Dance

The Commons Patio Terrace

11:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Outdoors	Emily Kimak “ <i>Moving to Water</i> ” Professor Carol Hess, Mentor
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Video & Animation Screenings

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Fine Arts Building, Room 221

Moderator: Frederic Worden

1:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Theresa Columbus <i>"Nostalgia for Everything"</i> Professor Preminda Jacob, Mentor	Visual and Performing Arts
1:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.	Christine Osazuwa "Always Wanting More: Access, Entitlement and Expectations of Popular Music Bands in the Age of Social Media" Professor Frederic Worden, Mentor	Interdisciplinary Studies
1:45 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Mallorie Ortega "Struggle to Collaborate with Strangers" Professor Frederic Worden, Mentor	Visual Arts
2:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.	Diego Tapia <i>"Sinless"</i> Professor Frederic Worden, Mentor	Visual Arts
2:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Daniel Vakharia <i>"Life of an Assassin"</i> Professor Frederic Worden, Mentor	Visual Arts

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Oral Presentations



University Center, Room 310

Session I

Moderator: Katherine Seley-Radtke, Chemistry and Biochemistry

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| 9:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. | Phillip Fitzgerald
“Glutathione S-Transferases as Regulators of Tumor-Induced Myeloid-Derived Suppressor Cell Survival”
Professor Suzanne Ostrand-Rosenberg, Mentor | Biochemistry and Molecular Biology |
| 10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. | Phillip Geter
“Synthesis of Gemcitabine Functionalized Dendron for Treatment of Advanced Pancreatic Cancer”
Professor Marie-Christine Daniel, Mentor | Chemistry and Biochemistry |
| 10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. | Asa Adadey and Emily Doughty
“Predicting Protein-Protein Interactions for Integrins and an LDL Receptor”
Professor Maricel Kann, Mentor | Bioinformatics and Computational Biology |
| 10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. | Joshua François
“Modeling Optical Stretching of a Chinese Hamster Ovary Cell”
Professor Charles Eggleton, Mentor | Mechanical Engineering |

Session II

Moderator: Phyllis Robinson, Biological Sciences

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| 10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | Peter Cangelosi
“Rat Model of Brain Injury Caused by Blast-Induced Hyper-Acceleration”
Professor Gary Fiskum, Mentor
Dr. Julie Hazelton, Mentor | Biochemistry and Molecular Biology |
| 11:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. | Devyani Ujla
“Understanding the Interaction between Melanopsin and Arrestin Using FRET”
Professor Phyllis Robinson, Mentor | Biological Sciences |

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11:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Kalyani Nambiar “Analysis of HIV Specific Shark Single Domain Antibodies by Phage Display” Professor Martin Flajnik, Mentor	Biological Sciences
11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.	William Hanchett “The Effects of Risk Aversion on Portfolio Asset Allocation” Professor Douglas Lamdin, Mentor	Economics
11:45 a.m. - 12:00 noon	Leonid Kritz “A Market Timing Strategy to Achieve Excess Returns” Professor Douglas Lamdin, Mentor	Economics

Session III

Moderator: Charles Bieberich, Biological Sciences

1:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Marie Steele “Human Capital Explanation of the Gender Wage Gap, 1875-1950” Professor William Lord, Mentor	Economics
1:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.	Rima Kikani “Genetic Pathways Involved in Retinal Degeneration” Dr. Rivka Rachel, Mentor Professor Sally Shivan, Mentor	English
1:45 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Aminah Wali “Developing a System to Regulate Gene Expression in the Mouse Prostate” Professor Charles Bieberich, Mentor	Biological Sciences
2:00 - 2:15 p.m.	Emily Kimak “Moving to Water” Professor Carol Hess, Mentor	Interdisciplinary Studies

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Session IV

Moderator: Dawn Biehler, Geography and Environmental Systems

2:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	Julianna Kuhn “Measles in a Modern World: Comparing the 2008 Outbreaks in Austria and the United States” Professor Dawn Biehler, Mentor	Geography and Environmental Systems
2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Claudia Valenzuela “Detection of Attaching/Effacing <i>E. coli</i> in Human Tissue” Professor Michael Donnenberg, Mentor	Biological Sciences
3:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.	Christopher Ecker “A Novel Mechanism of Resistance to Apoptosis in Immune Suppressive Cells in the Inflammatory Tumor Environment” Professor Suzanne Ostrand-Rosenberg, Mentor	Biological Sciences
3:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Natée Johnson “X-Ray Study of Nano-Scale Superlattice Materials” Professor Fow-Sen Choa, Mentor	Computer Science and Electrical Engineering

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Session I

Moderator: Nicole King, American Studies

9:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.	Megha Jacob “The Incorporation of Music Therapy into Physical Therapy Sessions for Physically Disabled Individuals” Professor Airi Yoshioka, Mentor	Music
9:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Samantha Medema “Pop-Tarts: A World unto Themselves” Professor Warren Belasco, Mentor	American Studies
10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.	Dora Korewa “The Guido and the Mobster: Responses to Italian American Stereotypes in Italy and the United States” Professor Duncan Campbell, Mentor	American Studies
10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Justin Eisenstadt “A Matter of Taste: The Subculture of Vinyl” Professor Jason Loviglio, Mentor	American Studies
10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	Katherine Bentz “The Effect of the Roman Empire's Decline on the Ports of Pisa and Portus (Rome)” Professor Carolyn G. Koehler, Mentor	Ancient Studies

Session II

Moderator: Daniel Ritschel, History

10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Ryan Ramos “The Effectiveness of Estates as Legacies” Professor W. Edward Orser, Mentor	American Studies
11:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.	Ngeri Nnachi “The Effects of Patriarchy and Migration on Nigerian-Igbo Culture Sibling Sets within the United States” Professor Kathy Bryan, Mentor	American Studies

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| 11:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. | Christina Briscoe
“Adolescent Mothers in a Quilombo
Community: Praia Grande, Brazil”
Professor Bambi Chapin, Mentor | Interdisciplinary Studies |
| 11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. | Sarah Hovde
“Common Decency: The Evolving Socialism
of George Orwell”
Professor Daniel Ritschel, Mentor | History |

Session III

Moderator: Anne Rubin, History

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| 1:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. | Salma Warshanna
“The Past that is Always Present: The Role of Memoir
in Identity”
Professor Robin Farabaugh, Mentor | English |
| 1:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. | Abigail Bratcher
“Reclaiming Maryland: Confederate Nationalism in
Popular Print Culture”
Professor Anne Rubin, Mentor | History |
| 1:45 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. | Louise Djapgne
“The Second Green Revolution in Africa:
An Assessment of its Sustainability”
Professor Marie Devernell, Mentor | Biochemistry and
Molecular Biology |
| 2:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. | Sarah Hovde
“Distinctive Features: Activist Linguists
and the Language of Activists”
Professor Thomas Field, Mentor | Modern Language,
Linguistics, and
Intercultural Communication |
| 2:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. | Elizabeth Lynch
“English Standards in the
UMBC Classroom”
Professor Thomas Field, Mentor | Modern Language,
Linguistics, and
Intercultural Communication |

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Session IV

Moderator: Sarah Chard, Sociology and Anthropology

2:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	Natasha Chae “Capraesque America: The Great Depression Films of Frank Capra from 1934-1939” Professor Warren Belasco, Mentor	American Studies
2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Daniet Moges “The Role of Economic Disparity in Human Rights Abuses: Case Study on Rwanda and Sierra Leone” Professor Cynthia Hody, Mentor	Political Science
3:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.	Joshua Hunter “NATO: Identity, Role and Function in the Post-Cold War Period” Professor Brigid Starkey, Mentor	Political Science
3:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Tomiko Shine “The Politics of The Criminal Justice System: Anthropological Perspective” Professor Sarah Chard, Mentor	Sociology and Anthropology

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10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Annam Abbasi	Biological Sciences “Studying the Role of Ribosomal Protein rps2 in Maintaining Translational Fidelity” Professor Philip Farabaugh, Mentor	Poster # 27
Laura Anzaldi	Biological Sciences “BioBar: A Sequence Manipulation and Editing Toolkit for Microsoft Word” Professor Ivan Erill, Mentor	Poster # 23
David Bartee	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “Second Generation Analogs of UK-1” Professor Paul Smith, Mentor	Poster # 4
Shawn Barton	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “A Novel Method to Structural Determination of HIV-1 5'-UTR” Professor Michael Summers, Mentor	Poster # 96
Samantha Bryant	Political Science “Analysis of Alternative Fuel Policy Options” Professor Laura Hussey, Mentor	Poster # 126
Patricia Castillo	Biological Sciences “Fine-tuning of Mucosal Barrier Function for Tetanus Vaccine Delivery in Mice Using the Novel Peptide Adjuvant AT1002” Professor Alessio Fasano, Mentor Professor Vincenzo Casolaro, Mentor	Poster # 116
Mayukh Chakrabarti	Bioinformatics and Computational Biology “Angiotensin II Receptor Blockers (ARB) Reduce Brain Inflammation” Professor Juan Saavedra, Mentor	Poster # 66
Geoffrey Clapp	Mathematics and Statistics “Modeling Sensory Input to the Lamprey Spinal Cord” Professor Kathleen Hoffman, Mentor	Poster # 20

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Teklu Dawit	Biological Sciences “Genetic Analysis of the Role of PHT4;6 in Regulating Innate Immunity of Arabidopsis” Professor Hua Lu, Mentor	Poster # 94
Payal Daya	Biological Sciences “Optimizing Feeding Rate Methodology in Drosophila to Determine the Effect of Energy Acquisition on Life Span” Professor Jeff Leips, Mentor	Poster # 102
Sai Sachin Divakaruni Courtney LaCotti	Chemistry and Biochemistry “HIV-1 Diploid Genome Selection is Mediated By a Novel Dimerization-Dependent RNA Structural Switch Mechanism” Professor Michael Summers, Mentor	Poster # 46
Meredith Donaho	Music “ <i>Music for All</i> : Private Music Education in Carroll County, Maryland” Professor Joseph Morin, Mentor	Poster # 88
Ashley Dyjack	History “A Comparative Study: Courtesans and Prostitutes in England and Japan during the Early Modern Period (1400 - 1800)” Professor Amy Froide, Mentor	Poster # 124
Rhoanne Esteban	Political Science “Committee Power and Black State Legislators: When Perception and Reality Clash” Professor Tyson King-Meadows, Mentor	Poster # 11
Bernadette Fausto	Psychology “Sensation Seeking, Perceived Norms and Actual Nonmedical Use of Prescription Drugs among College Students” Professor Carlo DiClemente, Mentor	Poster # 100
Veer Gariwala Ajmer Randhawa Olayinka Savage	Bioinformatics and Computational Biology “Increasing EMU’s Annotated Disease-Related Mutations by Curating Acute Myeloid Leukemia” Professor Maricel Kann, Mentor	Poster # 43

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Hashim Gibril Khorion-Jon Allen	Psychology “Alcohol Consumption and Stress-Related Outcomes in Sickle Cell Disease” Professor Shawn Bediako, Mentor	Poster # 77
Eliza Gosc	Biological Sciences “Regulation of the Prostate-Specific Tumor Suppressor NKX3.1 by Pim-1 Kinase” Professor Charles Bieberich, Mentor	Poster # 48
Casey Gray	English “Americanized Pedagogy: Journey to El Salvador” Professor Jean Fernandez, Mentor Professor Lucille McCarthy, Mentor	Poster # 79
Lydia Grmai	Biological Sciences “Effects of Inflammation on Accumulation of Myeloid-Derived Suppressor Cells (MDSC) in Breast Cancer” Professor Suzanne Ostrand-Rosenberg, Mentor	Poster # 75
Krystyna Horn	Biological Sciences “How Rare is Red? Comparing Blackbirds and Related Songbirds” Professor Kevin Omland, Mentor Professor Michelle Starz-Gaiano, Mentor	Poster # 104
Chioma Ihekweazu	Biological Sciences “The Role of Coloration in Intersexual Selection in <i>Etheostoma barrenense</i> ” Professor Tamra Mendelson, Mentor	Poster # 92
Lisa Jackson	Psychology “Perceived Mortality and Alcohol Use among Individuals with Sickle Cell Disease” Professor Shawn Bediako, Mentor	Poster # 58
Cameron Johnson	Chemistry and Biochemistry “Design and Synthesis of Unnatural DNA Base Pairs Containing Expanded Purine Analogues” Professor Katherine Seley-Radtke, Mentor	Poster # 90

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Sheriff Jolaoso	Computer Science and Electrical Engineering “Spectrogram Analysis and Evaluation and Brainwave Appreciation of Music” Professor Fow-Sen Choa, Mentor	Poster # 14
Achsah Joseph	Interdisciplinary Studies “An Analysis of the Peace-building Strategies in Ker Kwaro Acholi's Strategic Plan 2009-2014” Professor Devin Hagerty, Mentor	Poster # 86
Alpana Kaushiva	Sociology and Anthropology “Stroke Rehabilitation in Senior Center Environments: A Qualitative Study” Professor Sarah Chard, Mentor	Poster # 16
Alvin Kennedy	Biological Sciences “Characterization of the Homophilic Adhesion Molecule Cadherin 74A in Cell Migration during Drosophila Oogenesis” Professor Michelle Starz-Gaiano, Mentor	Poster # 50
Anthony Kronfli	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “Incorporation of Tagged and Untagged L4 Ribosomal Protein into Ribosomes” Professor Lasse Lindahl, Mentor	Poster # 6
Kevin Lin	Psychology “Association between Parenting Goals and Parenting Practices among Chinese Immigrants” Professor Charissa Cheah, Mentor	Poster # 29
Morgan Madeira Rachel Sweeton	Computer Science and Electrical Engineering “Finding Communities through Social Media” Professor Anupam Joshi, Mentor	Poster # 8
Anastasia Mallillin	Psychology “Spatial Learning Deficits on a Virtual Radial Arm Task in Schizophrenia” Professor Laura Rowland, Mentor	Poster # 10

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Shana Martin	Visual Arts “Graffito: A Graffiti Museum” Professor Preminda Jacob, Mentor Ms. May Chang, Mentor	Poster # 2
Carmen Matos	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “Acute Tolerance to Etorphine for Wild Type C57B1/6 Mice” Professor Jia Bei Wang, Mentor	Poster # 81
Sonia Metangmo	Biological Sciences “The Presentation of <i>Plasmodium</i> Antigen by Splenic Dendritic Cells” Professor Fidel Zavala, Mentor	Poster # 84
Archana Murali	Biological Sciences “Apontic, a Novel Regulator of Janus Kinase/Signal Transducer and Activator of Transcription (JAK/STAT) Pathway in <i>Drosophila</i> Testis” Professor Michelle Starz-Gaiano, Mentor	Poster # 32
Brandon Nemieboka	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “Characterization of AC1-EXR and AC1-LetR Breast Cancer Cell Lines” Professor Angela Brodie, Mentor	Poster # 52
Pejmon Pashai	Biological Sciences “Measuring the Release of ATP from the Mouse Carotid Body” Professor Machiko Shirahata, Mentor	Poster # 118
Caroline Poff	Biological Sciences “Prostate-Specific Expression of <i>MYC</i> in a New Model of Prostate Cancer” Professor Charles Bieberich, Mentor	Poster # 39
Leida Rassouli-Taylor	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “The Expression, Purification, and Crystallization of the H-NOX Regulatory Domain of Bovine Soluble Guanylate Cyclase” Professor Elsa Garcin, Mentor	Poster # 62

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Annah Seo	Psychology “The Socialization Goals and Parenting Behaviors of Korean Immigrant Mothers and their Children’s Outcomes” Professor Charissa Cheah, Mentor	Poster # 60
Reema Sharma	Biological Sciences “B7H1 Expression in Lung Cancer: A Potential Therapeutic Biomarker” Professor Jonathan Powell, Mentor	Poster # 122
Shiva Sharma	Information Systems “Toward Tactile Authentication for Blind Users” Professor Ravi Kuber, Mentor	Poster # 120
Kayla Smith Lisa Nicholson	English “Writers and Artists Together: Design Students Interpret the Words of Bartleby 2011” Professor Sally Shivan, Mentor Professor Guenet Abraham, Mentor	Poster # 12
Monét Stanford	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “Retinal Expression and Pressure-sensitive Modulation of CCR5, CCR3, and CCR1 in Glaucoma” Professor Rebecca Sappington, Mentor	Poster # 83
David Stonko Xuan Ge	Mathematics and Statistics “Building a Mathematical Model to Understand the Molecular Interpretations of Spatial Gradients of Biological Activators” Professor Michelle Starz-Gaiano, Mentor	Poster # 34
Margarita Tararina	Biological Sciences “Characteristics of Kynurenine Pathway Metabolites and Enzymes in Human Blood Cells” Professor Robert Schwarcz, Mentor	Poster # 70
Andrea Thomson	Political Science “Worthwhile or Wasteful? An Evaluation of Techniques for Measuring the Impact of Business Subsidies” Professor Roy Meyers, Mentor	Poster # 25

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Hamilton Townsend	Physics "Opto-Mechanical System Design and Development" Professor Vanderlei Martins, Mentor Professor Anne Marie Spence, Mentor	Poster # 98
UMBC Game Developers Club	Computer Science and Electrical Engineering "Innovations in Computer Game Development" Professor Neal McDonald, Mentor	Poster # 1
Melissa Velasquez	Chemical and Biochemical Engineering "Analysis of Oxygen Levels within <i>S. aureus</i> Biofilms using Fluorescent Microparticles" Professor Julia Ross, Mentor Professor Jennie Leach, Mentor	Poster # 73
Maria Vitery	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology "Crotamine, the Protein from the Venom of the South American Rattlesnake, and Its Binding to DNA" Professor Richard Karpel, Mentor	Poster # 18
Robert D. Wardlow II	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology "Mesenchymal Stem Cells Provide Protection of Cardiac Ventricular Myocytes by Paracrine Mechanism" Professor Terry B. Rogers, Mentor	Poster # 64
John Winder	Visual Arts "A Digital Skeleton Key to Art: Symbolism of Light and Dark in European Oil Painting from 1500-1900" Professor Preminda Jacob, Mentor	Poster # 128
Isleen Wride Pooja S. Patil	Biological Sciences "The Costly Tradeoff between Immune Response and Enhanced Lifespan in <i>Drosophila melanogaster</i> " Professor Jeff Leips, Mentor	Poster # 31
Breanne Wright	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology "The Effect of Transgenic Manipulation of the BK Channel (<i>Kcnma1</i>) on Circadian Rhythmicity in Mice" Professor Andrea Meredith, Mentor	Poster # 109

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Jojo Yeboa

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

Poster # 111

“Increasing *Aspergillus nidulans* Chronological Lifespan via Induced Autophagy”

Professor Mark Marten, Mentor

Mr. Bill Moss, Mentor

Brandon Young

Biological Sciences

Poster # 56

“The Functional Analyses of a Mutated Tentacle within the L4 Protein”

Professor Janice Zengel, Mentor

Albert Zhou

Biological Sciences

Poster # 114

“Combining Oncogene Activation and Tumor Suppressor Loss: Developing a New Combinatorial Mouse Model of Prostate Cancer”

Professor Charles Bieberich, Mentor

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Aleeza Abbasi	Biological Sciences “Genetic Analysis of Translational Accuracy in the Bacterium <i>Escherichia coli</i> ” Professor Philip Farabaugh, Mentor	Poster # 36
Anissa Alexander	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “Worldwide Literature Search and Gap Analysis of Antimalarial Drug Resistance Mutations” Professor Christopher Plowe, Mentor	Poster # 30
Britt Andersen	Chemistry and Biochemistry “Identification of Compounds that Bind to the HIV-1 Capsid Protein and Inhibit Capsid Core Formation” Professor Michael Summers, Mentor	Poster # 38
Pallavi Bhargava	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “Inhibiting Matrix Targeting of the Gag Polyprotein towards the Plasma Membrane in HIV-1 Retrovirus Replication” Professor Michael Summers, Mentor	Poster # 40
Angela Brant	Psychology “Preschool Children’s Moral Evaluations of Aggression: Reliability, Stability, and Discriminant Validity” Professor David Schultz, Mentor	Poster # 123
Keisha Carr	Chemical and Biochemical Engineering “New Chromatography Methods for Biological Macromolecules and Carbon Nanotubes” Professor Douglas Frey, Mentor	Poster # 110
Tania Chatterjee	Biological Sciences “TIMP-2 Overexpression Alters the Transcriptional Profile of Human Adenocarcinoma A549 Cells” Professor William Stetler-Stevenson, Mentor	Poster # 108

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Vanessa Cheng	Psychology “Chinese Mothers’ Immigration Experiences in the U.S. and in their Young Children’s Socioemotional Adjustment” Professor Charissa Cheah, Mentor	Poster # 57
Elisia Clark	Biological Sciences “Analysis of the Hi-MYC Mouse Model Reveals Molecular Similarity to Human Prostate Cancer” Professor Charles Bieberich, Mentor	Poster # 26
Ecaterina Coman	Mathematics and Statistics “Lunar Swirls: How Dark are ‘Dark Lanes’?” Dr. David Blewett, Mentor	Poster # 42
Joseph Cornish	Bioinformatics and Computational Biology “Adaptive Learning Neural Networks for Binding Site Search in Genomic Sequences” Professor Ivan Erill, Mentor	Poster # 44
Colleen Courtney	Chemical and Biochemical Engineering “Studying the <i>Aspergillus nidulans</i> Cell Wall through Plate Assay” Professor Mark Marten, Mentor	Poster # 33
Thomas Dakermanji	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “Measurement of Aggregates Formed by the Snake Venom Protein Crotoamine and DNA” Professor Richard Karpel, Mentor	Poster # 121
Sonia Dalal	Biological Sciences “Supertransfection of Costimulatory Molecule CD80 Decreases Expression of Inhibitory Molecule that Causes T-Cell Death” Professor Suzanne Ostrand-Rosenberg, Mentor	Poster # 91
Tylen Darling	Biological Sciences “Investigations of RLS1: The Origins of Multicellularity within the Volvocine Algae” Professor Stephen Miller, Mentor	Poster # 47

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Catherine Dodson Allyson Crehan	Psychology "School Attendance Rates of Food Allergic and Non-allergic Children" Professor Lynnda Dahlquist, Mentor	Poster # 59
Emily Doughty	Bioinformatics and Computational Biology "Improving Approach in Automatic Method for Mutation Extraction and Disease-Relationship Mutation Annotation" Professor Maricel Kann, Mentor	Poster # 67
Dinah Douglas Rhoanne Esteban Andrew Kent Merertu Kitila Ebonie Riley Donald Suica	Political Science "Blue over Black: Racial Parochialism, Incumbent Protection, and the 2010 Democratic Primary in Memphis" Professor Tyson King-Meadows, Mentor	Poster # 9
Kedy Edme	Chemistry and Biochemistry "Towards Using NMR to Identify NC-RNA Interaction in HIV-1" Professor Michael Summers, Mentor	Poster # 71
Katelyn Erickson Kathleen Heasley	Chemistry and Biochemistry "Parameterization of Ligands Associated with the RNA Dependent RNA Polymerase Found in Hepatitis C Virus" Professor Ian Thorpe, Mentor	Poster # 129
Wendy Gaultney	Psychology "Peer Interaction Frequency and Peer Network Size in Children with Food Allergy" Professor Lynnda Dahlquist, Mentor	Poster # 55
Nikodimos Gebreselassie	Chemical and Biochemical Engineering "Effect of Shear Stress on the Adhesion of <i>S. aureus</i> to Collagen" Professor Julia Ross, Mentor	Poster # 53

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Jessica Hopkins	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “Programmed Errors in the Ribosome of <i>S. cerevisiae</i> ” Professor Phillip Farabaugh, Mentor	Poster # 119
Lucas Horn	Biological Sciences “Blood Cell Phagocytic Ability Changes with Age in Adult <i>Drosophila</i> ” Professor Michelle Starz-Gaiano, Mentor	Poster # 35
Azra Husic	Chemical and Biochemical Engineering “NMR Evidence of the U5:AUG Long Range Interaction in HIV-1” Professor Michael Summers, Mentor	Poster # 93
Dalton Hughes	Chemical and Biochemical Engineering “Signaling Response of Neuronal Cells to 3D Tissue Scaffolds” Professor Jennie Leach, Mentor	Poster # 112
Donna Huynh	Psychology “Smoking and Perceived Health Status among Adults with Sickle Cell Disease” Professor Shawn Bediako, Mentor	Poster # 78
Isaac Jensen	Bioinformatics and Computational Biology “Detection of Lateral Gene Transfer with Codon Usage Bias in Mutationally Biased Genomes” Professor Ivan Erill, Mentor	Poster # 69
Amar Kaneria	Chemistry and Biochemistry “Characterization of the Monomer/Dimer Equilibrium within the 5'-Untranslated Region of HIV-1 RNA” Professor Michael Summers, Mentor	Poster # 61
Nathaniel Kim	Chemistry and Biochemistry “Carbocyclic Nucleoside Aromatic Fleximers as Antiviral Targets for Inhibiting S-Adenosyl-L-homocysteine Hydrolase” Professor Katherine Seley-Radtke, Mentor	Poster # 115
Richard Maduka	Chemical and Biochemical Engineering “Understanding How <i>cdc42</i> Impacts Growth and Branching in the Model Fungus <i>Aspergillus nidulans</i> ” Professor Mark Marten, Mentor	Poster # 51

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Trevor Mathias	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “Retroviral RNA Packaging Elements Promote GAG Assembly” Professor Michael Summers, Mentor	Poster # 82
Fialelei Matthews	Bioinformatics and Computational Biology “De Novo Mapping of Regulatory Networks by Comparative Genomics” Professor Ivan Erill, Mentor	Poster # 89
Saloni Mehta	Biological Sciences “RNA <i>in Situ</i> Hybridization Analysis of G-Protein β and γ Subunits in the Main Olfactory Epithelium of Mice” Professor Weihong Lin, Mentor	Poster # 72
Angela Mensah	Psychology “The Effects of Sexual Harrassment on Ambulatory Blood Pressure in African American and Hispanic Women” Professor Danielle Beatty, Mentor	Poster # 80
Chatura Nagaradona Chiemeka Onyima	Biological Sciences “Translational Misreading in <i>rbfA</i> Compensatory Mutants” Professor Philip Farabaugh, Mentor	Poster # 15
Eliana NessAiver Soutry De	Physics “Evaluating the Mid-Atlantic Wind Energy Resource: A Multi-Platform Data Analysis Study” Professor Lynn Sparling, Mentor	Poster # 3
Felix Nwogbo	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “Analysis of Brca1 DNA and RNA Expression in a Transgenic Mouse Model” Professor Laudette Jones, Mentor	Poster # 65
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Mindy Or	Bioinformatics and Computational Biology “Automatic Detection of the Major Codon Bias in Mutationally Biased Genomes” Professor Ivan Erill, Mentor	Poster # 87
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Nana Owusu-Boaitey	Biological Sciences “Immune Tolerance and CD20-Specific Lentiviruses” Professor David Scott, Mentor	Poster # 41
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Evan Raines Mahnoor Siddiqui	Psychology “Gender Differences in Coping and Self-Esteem among Adults with Sickle Cell Disease” Professor Shawn Bediako, Mentor	Poster # 37
Kaitlyn Sadtler	Biological Sciences “ <i>In-Situ</i> Bioremediation of Explosive Residue for Reduction of Trace Signatures” Professor Charles Young, Mentor	Poster # 54
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Sadella Santos	Chemical and Biochemical Engineering “Intuitive Fluorescent Biosensor for Millimolar Glucose” Professor Leah Tolosa, Mentor	Poster # 95
Sarah Sexton	History “Plantation Management in Post-Reconstruction South Carolina: White House Plantation and the Aimars” Professor Anne Rubin, Mentor	Poster # 97
Igor Shusterman	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology “Hippocampal Activity in the Neonatal Ventral Hippocampal Lesion Model of Schizophrenia” Professor Patricio O'Donnell, Mentor	Poster # 99
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David Sweigart	Physics “Effectiveness of Spin-on-Glass Films on Reducing Dielectric Breakdown in Poled Polymer Devices” Professor L. Michael Hayden, Mentor	Poster # 5
Robby Tietz	Chemical and Biochemical Engineering “Investigation of Poly(N-Isopropylmethacrylamide) Hydrogels” Professor Lisa Kelly, Mentor	Poster # 7
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Shelby Vargo	Chemical and Biochemical Engineering “Effects of Environment Dimensionality on Sensory Neurons Process Outgrowth and $\beta 1$ -Integrin Cytoskeleton Signaling” Professor Jennie Leach, Mentor	Poster # 49
Donna Viola	Interdisciplinary Studies “Life on ‘Mars’: Diversity of Endolithic Microorganisms in a Terrestrial Martian Analog” Professor Ian George, Mentor Professor Stephen Freeland, Mentor	Poster # 103
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Julia Wittkamper	Chemistry and Biochemistry “Optimization of Metal Film on Nanostructure SERS Substrate” Professor Brian Cullum, Mentor	Poster # 74
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Education/Secondary Teacher Certification Students Presenting Action Research

Moderator and Mentor: Linda Oliva, Education

William Archer	“Encouraging Increased Attendance among Inner City High School Students”
Michelle Birky	“Using Feedback to Increase Student Motivation, Effort, and Success”
Casey Dahle	“Forms of Positive Reinforcement in a Seventh-Grade Classroom”
Lian French	“Fostering Social and Emotional Intelligence in the Classroom”
Susan Hade	“The Effects of the Focused Question Card Strategy on Student Writing”
Maureen Harvie	“Prewriting Strategies: Tools for Success”
Jessica Henn	“Primary Sources and their Effect on Learning in the Seventh Grade Social Studies Classroom”
Rebecca Horowitz	“Heterogeneous Versus Homogenous Gender Groupings of High School Students”
Victoria Kohl	“The Effects of Extrinsic Rewards for Secondary Students in a Mathematics Classroom”
Leanne Lenhart	“Facebook as a Tool for Communicating Homework”
Catherine Perry	“The Effects of Students’ Surnames on their Academic Success”
Yira Rawlins-Prins	“Do Students Achieve the Mastering of a Foreign Language at a Faster Rate in a Same Sex Class?”
Joey Schenning	“Is America Really Singing? A Review of (Supposedly) Common Song Repertoire”
Alexander Scott	“Using Musical Instruments to Support Student Learning”
Jonathan Shumway	“Increasing Depth of Homework Assignments: Integration of Writing in Chemistry”
Christian Solliday	“Limiting the Distractions of Cell Phone Use in the Classroom”
Hope Stone	“The Cool Kids Call Them C-Notes: The Effectiveness of Cornell Notes in a Social Studies Class”
Ashish Vadalia	“Determining Student Engagement Through Various Warm-Up Activities”

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