19th Annual
STUDENT
SYMPOSIUM

Paper Presentations
Tuesday, April 1, 2014
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

2nd Floor, L.A. Pittenger Student Center
Ball State University
The Student Symposium

The Student Symposium recognizes and promotes the accomplishments of Ball State University students who have carried out research projects, creative endeavors, and other scholarly activities and who have benefitted from the mentorship of faculty advisors.
Nineteenth Annual Student Symposium
Tuesday, April 1, 2014
Ball State University
L.A. Pittenger Student Center Ballroom
1:30-5:00 p.m.

1:00 – 3:00 Moderated Paper Presentations
See page 4 for locations and times.

1:30 – 4:20 Presentation of Student Displays and Posters

4:20 Welcome and Introductory Remarks
Justin Miller, Director
Sponsored Programs Office

4:30 Presentation of Student Awards
Robert Morris, Associate Provost for Research
and Dean of the Graduate School
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1:00 – 2:00  Music, Arts, and Languages
Music Lounge

1:00 – 2:00  Science and Environmental Issues
Cardinal Hall C

1:00 – 2:00  Issues in Higher Education
Cardinal Hall B

2:00 – 3:00  International Spaces and Communities
Music Lounge

2:00 – 3:00  International Relations and Political Issues
Cardinal Hall B

Each presentation will last for approximately 15 minutes, with time for questions after.
Music, Arts, and Languages

Music Lounge
Moderator: Ryan Hourigan
1:00 – 2:00

Brian Bosley
Music

An Examination of William Albright's Pit Band In Comparison To His Other Compositions For Saxophone

Faculty Mentor: George Wolfe

Mikayla Carpenter
Art History

The Shades of Difference in Gertrude Abercrombie’s White Cat

Faculty Mentor: Lara Kuykendall

Seula Han & J. Thomas McAlister
English

A Psycholinguistic Study on Interference of Relative Clause Structures in Chinese and Korean L1/English L2 Speakers

Faculty Mentor: Megumi Hamada
Science and Environmental Issues

Cardinal Hall C
Moderator: Josh Gruver
1:00 – 2:00

Katie Harper
Natural Resources and Environmental Management

Water Is Life: Building Wells in Sierra Leone

Faculty Mentor: Gerald Waite

Center for Peace and Conflict Studies

Adam Lehman
Philosophy and Religious Studies

Living Simply in the 21st Century

Faculty Mentor: Gerald Waite

Center for Peace and Conflict Studies

Andrew Siliski
Geological Sciences

An Investigation of the Stratigraphy Beneath the Ball State University Ground-Source Geothermal System

Faculty Mentor: Lee Florea

Geological Sciences
Tobin Richardson
Educational Studies

*Legal Issues for International Students Studying in the United States*

Faculty Mentor: John Connor
Student Legal Services

Jumah Taweh
Communication Studies

*Exploring Issues Related to Influence of Minority Faculty on Minority Students*

Faculty Mentor: Thalia Mulvihill
Educational Studies

Lorna Timmerman
Educational Studies

*Self-Determination in Transitioning First-Year College Students With and Without Disabilities*

Faculty Mentor: Roger Wessel
Educational Studies
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International Spaces and Communities

Music Lounge
Moderator: Nihal Perera
2:00 – 3:00

Pradeep Dissanayake,
Sangapala Arachchige
& Don Dissanayake
Urban Planning

Development Projects: Empowering or Making Communities Dependent?

Faculty Mentor: Nihal Perera
Urban Planning

Jeffrey Lauer
Urban Planning

A Market For Dead Things: The Reformation of the Gujari Bazaar and the Politics of Heritage in Ahmedabad, India

Faculty Mentor: Nihal Perera
Urban Planning
International Relations and Political Issues

Cardinal Hall B
Moderator: Ken Hall
2:00 – 3:00

Mehdi Ayari
Political Science

*The Rise of Islamist Majorities in Tunisia and Egypt: Why were Islamist Parties so Successful in the Post Arab Spring Era?*

Faculty Mentor: Misa Nishikawa

Rachel Cunigan
Political Science

*Human Trafficking and the Political Sphere*

Faculty Mentor: Gerald Waite

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Michael Mahoney
Center for Peace and Conflict Studies

*General Abdulsalami Abubakar's Nigeria*

Faculty Mentor: Gerald Waite

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(International Relations and Political Issues continued)

Shelby Simonsen
Psychological Science

Healing the Unseen Wounds of Trauma

Faculty Mentor: Gerald Waite

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Congratulations to all of our 2014 Student Symposium Participants!

See you next year!

Watch for registration materials in January 2015
Special Thanks to our Judges and Moderators

Darren Bishop
Elizabeth Crawford
Carla Earhart
Jeff Grigsby
Josh Gruver
Ken Hall
Kevin Hendricks
Mellisa Holtzman
Ryan Hourigan
Carolyn Kapinus
Jagdish Khubchandani
Nihal Perera
Robin Phelps
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