

Thank you to our faculty judges:

Session: Domestic Policy Challenges

Assistant Professor, Valentina Duque
Distinguished Professor, Erdal Tekin

Session: Comparative Politics & Law

Professorial Lecturer, Matthew Foster
Professorial Lecturer, Korneliya Bachiyaska

Session: Radicalism & Political Violence

Professorial Lecturer, Bryan Arva
Professor, Joe Young



16th Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium

*Thursday April 18, 2024
9:30am*

**Kerwin Hall
301 & 311**

Opening Remarks/Welcome 9:30 am – 9:40 am Kerwin 301

Associate Dean of Undergraduate Education, Saul Newman

Session: Domestic Policy Challenges 9:45am -11:15am Kerwin 311

James Carney, he/him

Faculty Mentors: Profs. Morrissey & Cowell-Meyers

Title: *The Effect of Refundable Child Tax Credits on Maternal Employment: A Case Study Involving Vermont and New Hampshire*

Branden Cunard, he/they

Faculty Mentors: Prof. Collinson

Title: *LGBTQ+ Youth, Houselessness, and the Juvenile Justice System*

Tyler Godding, he/him

Faculty Mentors: Profs. Cowell-Meyers & Juhasz-Wood

Title: *Administrative Burdens and Poverty Rates: Differences in the Impact of Administrative Burdens Among Programs and States*

Shelby Liebler, she/her

Faculty Mentor: Prof. Cowell-Meyers

Title: *Racial and Economic Impacts on Upward Mobility: An Analysis of North Carolina, Virginia, and Ohio*

Session: Comparative Politics & Law 11:15am – 12:15pm Kerwin 311

Sadie Aeder, she/her

Faculty Mentors: Prof. Davies

Title: *Navigating Post-Conflict Terrain: Assessing the Impact of Truth Commissions on Democratization*

Sophia Joseph, she/her

Faculty Mentor: Prof. Glover

Title: *How the Dominoes Fall: The U.S. Occupation of Quisqueya*

Rohan Naval, he/him

Faculty Mentors: Prof. Driesbach

Title: *Breaking Away. How Japan's Legal System Has Drifted Apart from Its American Origins*

Abigail Sharkis, she/they

Faculty Mentors: Profs. Zeitoff & Cowell-Meyers

Title: *White Anxiety And January 6th: How State-Level Demographic Shifts Impact Twitter Statements from Republican Senators*

Session: Radicalism & Political Violence 9:45am – 11:30am Kerwin 301

Madysen Brown, she/her

Faculty Mentors: Profs. Hughes & Cowell-Meyers

Title: *Instagram's Algorithmic Gender Bias and its Road to Extremism*

Madeline Chalecki, she/her

Faculty Mentor: Prof. Bacon

Title: *Beyond Affiliation: Analyzing the Autonomy of Jaysh Ayman under the al-Shabaab Umbrella*

Amelia Charbonneau, She/her

Faculty Mentors: Profs. Cowell-Meyers & Malet

Title: *"Life without a girlfriend is not worth living": Challenging Our Understanding of the Incelosphere*

Eric O'Driscoll, he/him

Faculty Mentors: Profs. Lublin & Cowell-Meyers

Title: *Populism and Democratic Backsliding Across Europe: A Comparative Analysis*

Luc Stedman, he/him

Faculty Mentor: Prof. Bacon

Title: *Tangible Cooperation's Deepening Impact on Bilateral Counterterrorism Relationships*

Closing Remarks & Awards 12:15pm Kerwin 301

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