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CALDWELL SCHOLARS NEWSLETTER



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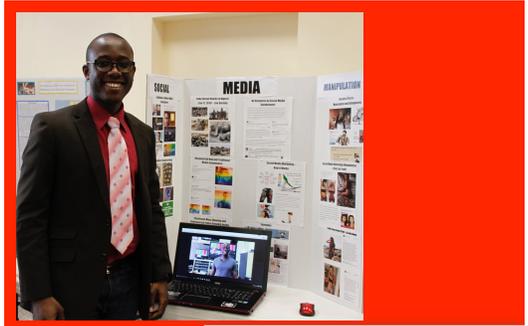
Scholars Poster Session:

In April of 2016 fifteen Caldwell University Scholars presented the research they completed for their scholars projects. The Caldwell community joined the students in the Hall of Flags to see and hear about each students' discoveries.

The topics were diverse, including research on the manipulation of social media, the use of mathematics in card games, the impact of analytics on professional basketball, feminism in Africa-American literature, and educating peers about autism. Additionally, students working with Dr. Agnes Berki (lower left) presented their research on the curative effects of essential oils.



Brian Kenny



Kirsten Whitt, Christina Blonski,
Tulaja Shrestha, Agnes Berki, Jessica
Binkiewicz, Pamela Marte, Eva
Suchar, Gabrielle Amaral



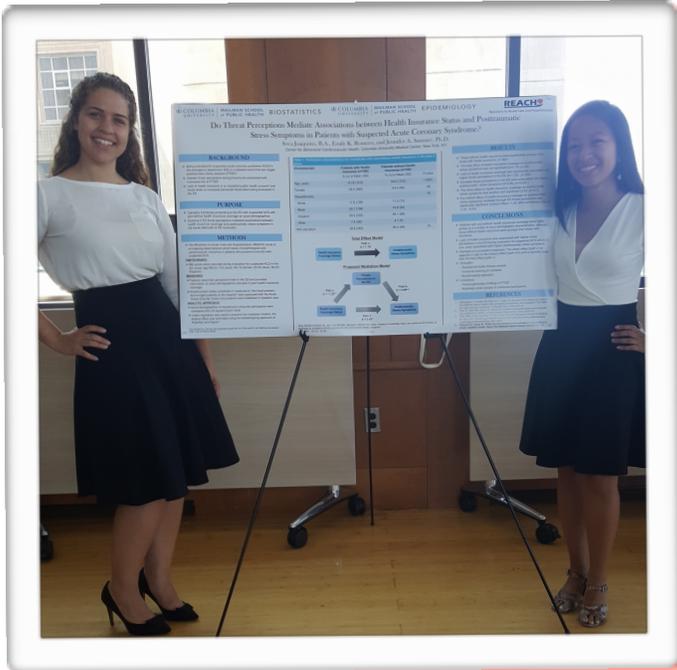
Jefferson Daley (top); Anabela
Santos (center); Kristen Kelley
(bottom)

Phi Kappa Phi New Inductees:

Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest, most selective, and prestigious, all-discipline honor society. The society recognizes academic excellence, maintains extremely high standards, and membership is by invitation only. Caldwell University Chapter 335 was installed on April 13, 2016 and Caldwell's first PKP members were initiated on May 3, 2016. Some of our scholars were among those chosen for admission. We honor the hard work and dedication to academic achievement of Maxine Alonso, Sieuwert Blankenstein, Rayshel Campana, Mikhaela Capobianco, Jacob Lesniewski, Katherine Llangari, Alyssa Mol, Samantha Parigi, Hritesh Regimi, Komudi Thirunagaru, Abigail Wortman (Not pictured: Kristen Kelley, Eva Suchar).



Scholars' Summer Activities:



Emily Romero (far left and above center), a senior majoring in mathematics, was one of eighteen undergraduates chosen from a national pool to participate in Columbia University's Biostatistics and Epidemiology Summer Training Program (BEST). Mentored by Dr. Sumner, a scholar from Columbia

University, Romero was paired with Svea Joaquina, a graduate from the University of California, Berkley and together they learned how to conduct proper statistical research; specifically they were taught theoretical methods used in Biostatistics and how to properly apply them in the public health and biomedical fields. Romero and her partner conducted their own research and presented their findings at the end of the program. Romero and Joaquina continue to work on their project and hope to submit their research in the poster session at the Anxiety and Depression Association of America conference in San Francisco, CA next spring.

Cassandra Convertino (right) spent part of her summer as an Observing EMT with a goal of becoming certified. Convertino, a sophomore majoring in biology, explained, "I went on calls and when we arrived at someone's home, I was allowed to watch the EMTs at work." Convertino believes that this knowledge and experience will help her achieve her goal of becoming a doctor.



Scholars' Summer Activities:



This past summer Aidan Groll (far left) completed an internship with Verizon in Basking Ridge, New Jersey. The internship is part of the company's finance leadership development program. Groll, a senior majoring in financial economics, worked in Verizon's treasury department with two other interns for nine weeks. Groll remarked that he "had the opportunity to participate in developing an investor relations structure for the first ever securitization of mobile phone payment plans." Yet another rewarding aspect of the internship for Groll was that his "team got to present to the CFO our recommendations and what we discovered over the course of the internship."

Elizabeth Kocis, (right) was accepted into The University of Pennsylvania Hospital's College Volunteer Program. From June through August, Kocis, a junior majoring in art and psychology on the Art Therapy track, worked closely with Ms. Anita, a Nurse Support Associate on Founders 14 Medical Care. During her time in the program, Kocis tended to patients' needs and assisted the nurses with various tasks. Kocis stated, "having chosen art therapy as my major and wanting to pursue my career as an Art Therapist in a hospital, I was able to fully appreciate the opportunity to fully immerse myself into a real hospital environment."



Upcoming Events:

Join Us:

On Friday, September 9th from 8:00-9:00 a.m. for a welcome back breakfast in the Cougar Den. While you are enjoying coffee, bagels, and pastries, we will cover what's new and upcoming in the Scholars Program. Please R.S.V.P to JNoonan@caldwell.edu if you plan to attend.



Tour Lower Manhattan and the 9/11 Memorial:

Have you ever wanted to get an insider's tour of Lower Manhattan? Here's your chance. Join us for a walking tour of Lower Manhattan followed by a tour of the 9/11 memorial with time in the adjacent museum. The visit will occur on Saturday, November 5th. We will leave Caldwell University at 9:00 a.m. and travel by DeCamp bus into Manhattan we will visit Lower Manhattan and then receive a guided tour of the 9/11 Memorial. If you are interested in attending, please R.S.V.P. to Dr. Noonan by September 12, 2016.



Coming Soon:

Later this fall, we will offer Caldwell University Scholars Program T-shirts. They will be available for purchase in the bookstore, cost is forthcoming. Vote for the design you prefer—option 1 is left and option 2 is right. E-mail your preference to JNoonan@caldwell.edu.



Opportunities:

The Council on Undergraduate Research fosters research and publication opportunities for undergraduates. On their website (see link left) you can find a list of journals and short descriptions of the discipline or research published within each journal. Below you will find a small sample of their offerings. We would encourage you to consider submitting your research, including your scholars project. As always, the Scholars Committee is here to help in that process, so please feel free to contact Dr. Jennifer Noonan—

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MULTI-DISCIPLINE JOURNAL:

American Journal of Undergraduate Research: (AJUR) is a national, independent, peer reviewed, open-source, no-cost-to-authors, quarterly, multidisciplinary student research journal.

HUMANITIES:

Proto: Undergraduate Humanities Journal - Loyola University Maryland and Stevenson
Proto welcomes scholarly articles and creative non-fiction essays from undergraduates enrolled in mid-Atlantic area institutions (MD, PA, DE, VA, DC, NJ).

SCIENCES:

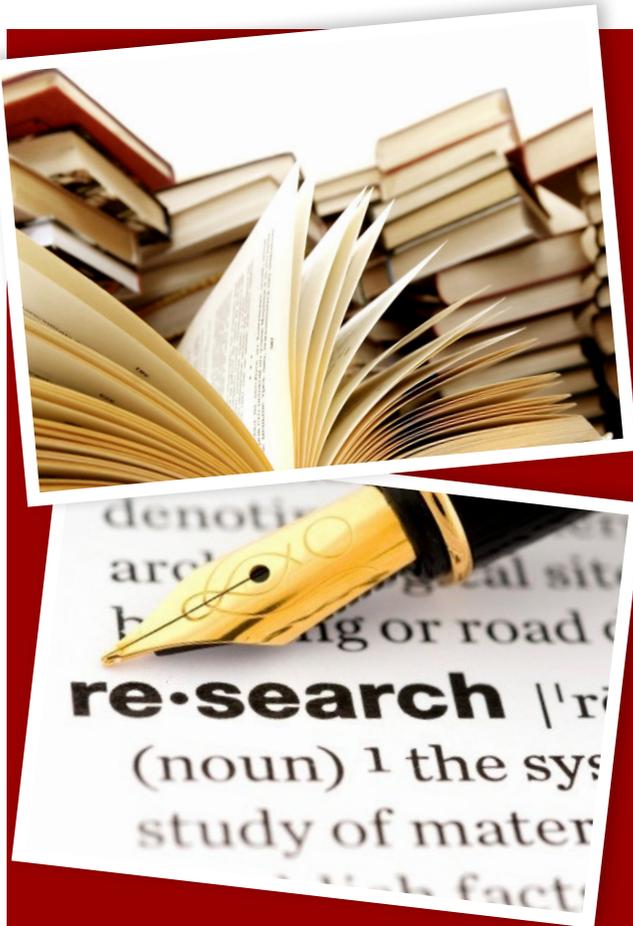
Columbia Undergraduate Science Journal - Columbia University. This is a peer-reviewed, professional-level, open-access academic publication that is committed to publishing manuscripts of the highest scholarship resulting from significant scientific research or outstanding scientific analysis.

BUSINESS:

Edinburgh Napier Journal of Finance & Economics - Edinburgh Napier University
The journal publishes outstanding student papers from universities around the world, covering a variety of topics related to finance and economics.

PSYCHOLOGY:

Journal of Psychology and Behavioral Sciences - Fairleigh Dickinson College. JPBS is an annual periodical published by the Psychology and Counseling Department of Fairleigh Dickinson University, NJ.



http://www.cur.org/resources/students/undergraduate_journals/

Other Opportunities: The Northeast Regional Honors Council conference will be held in Pittsburgh in April of 2017. The theme is "Bridging the Divide: Contemplating Differences and Forging Commonalities." There are opportunities to present your research as a paper or as a poster. If you would like to participate, please contact Dr. Jennifer Noonan (JNoonan@caldwell.edu) for more information.