Spring 2017
Honors Thesis Conference

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The Eastern Kentucky University
Honors Program

April 11-13, 2017
Tuesday, April 11

10:00-10:30 a.m.  "Discrimination Against Women in the Sport Industry"
Kelsey Whalen, presenter
Dr. Joel Cormier, mentor
Karlee Tanel, discussant

10:30-11:00 a.m.  "Small Business Convenience Store Marketing Planning"
Dalton Stanley, presenter
Dr. Marcel Robles, mentor
Kelsey Whalen, discussant

11:00-11:30 a.m.  "Competency Development in University Business Students: A Multiperspective Analysis"
Karlee Tanel, presenter
Dr. Mike Roberson, mentor
Dalton Stanley, discussant

1:00-1:30 p.m.  "Evaluating the Feasibility of School-Based Interventions in the Treatment of Childhood Obesity in Harlan County Public Schools"
Jenna Eby, presenter
Dr. Fontaine Sands, mentor
Shelby Davis, discussant

1:30-2:00 p.m.  "A Gene Ahead of the Game: A Look at Sports Genetics"
Jessa Hay, presenter
Dr. Michael Lane, mentor
Jenna Eby, discussant

2:00-2:30 p.m.  "Putting the Athletic Back in the Trainer"
Shelby Davis, presenter
Dr. Michael Lane, mentor
Jessa Hay, discussant

3:00-3:30 p.m.  "Not a Flaw, but a Feature: An Analysis of the Fat Acceptance Movement"
Shayna Clark, presenter
Dr. Erin Eliassen, mentor
Logan Durham, discussant

3:30-4:00 p.m.  "Art & Religion in Thailand"
Marlee Jennings, presenter
Dr. David Dailey, mentor
Shayna Clark, discussant

4:00-4:30 p.m.  "Uncovering the Roots of STEM: Identifying the Factors Inspiring a STEM Career"
Logan Durham, presenter
Dr. Martin Brock, mentor
Marlee Jennings, discussant

10:00-10:30 a.m.  "Environmental Health Hazards Posed by Tiny Homes"
Cornelia Lewis, presenter
Dr. Paul Rosile, mentor
MJ White, discussant

10:30-11:00 a.m.  "Deaf Education: Settings and Communication Modes that Produce Success"
Stacey Johnson, presenter
Professor Karen Millsap, mentor
Cornelia Lewis, discussant

11:00-11:30 a.m.  "Taking Suggestions: Benefit and Application of Progressive Rock"
MJ White, presenter
Professor Nathan Stites, mentor
Stacey Johnson, discussant

1:00-1:30 p.m.  "Coal Power Plants and the Ohio River"
Shelby Hesler, presenter
Dr. Sherry Harrel, mentor
Caleb Dunn, discussant

1:30-2:00 p.m.  "Cultivating Character with Curriculum: A Service Project"
Amanda Bowman, presenter
Ms. Becca Morrison, mentor
Shelby Hesler, discussant

2:00-2:30 p.m.  "The Hills Were Unshaken: A Novice’s Screenplay"
Caleb Dunn, presenter
Dr. David Coleman, mentor
Amanda Bowman, discussant

3:00-3:30 p.m.  "Exposing Elementary Music Students to Western Art Music Through Performance on Orff Schulwerk Instruments"
Paul Romer, presenter
Dr. Nicola Mason, mentor
Samantha Shisler, discussant

3:30-4:00 p.m.  "Victimization from TV to Real Life: Unknown Differences"
Samantha Shisler, presenter
Dr. Victoria Collins, mentor
Paul Romer, discussant
Wednesday, April 12

10:00-10:30 a.m. Library 204D
"The Effects of Technology at Work on Employees"
Justin Morgan, presenter
Dr. Jonathan Gore, mentor
Mandie Peterman, discussant

10:30-11:00 a.m. Library 204D
"From the Soviet Bloc to the Ballot Box: Democratization in Poland, Latvia, and Ukraine"
Tyler Swafford, presenter
Dr. Ozan Kalkan, mentor
Justin Morgan, discussant

11:00-11:30 a.m. Library 204D
"The Economic Effect of British Colonialism on the Indian Economy"
Mandie Peterman, presenter
Dr. Ozan Kalkan, mentor
Tyler Swafford, discussant

1:00-1:30 p.m. Library 204D
"Game Theory: The Modern-Day Airline Dogfight"
Nathaniel Schattner, presenter
Dr. Frank O’Connor, mentor
Kimberly Mosley, discussant

1:30-2:00 p.m. Library 204D
"A Historical Overview of U.S. Relations in Latin America"
Alicia Gilbert, presenter
Dr. Abbey Poffenberger, mentor
Nathaniel Schattner, discussant

2:00-2:30 p.m. Library 204D
"Study Abroad Success for Students"
McKinley Cole, presenter
Dr. Abbey Poffenberger, mentor
Alicia Gilbert, discussant

3:00-3:30 p.m. Library 204D
"Experiences of Caregiving"
Mitchell Hollander, presenter
Dr. Julie Baltisberger, mentor
Christine Booker, discussant

3:30-4:00 p.m. Library 204D
"Meditation as a Treatment for Cancer: A Meta-Analysis"
Dakota Shively, presenter
Dr. Matthew Winslow, mentor
Mitchell Hollander, discussant

4:00-4:30 p.m. Library 204D
"A Qualitative Analysis of the Public Defender System in Kentucky"
Erin Ganley, presenter
Dr. Sucheta Mohanty, mentor
Dakota Shively, discussant

4:30 – 5:00 p.m. Library 204D
"Fish Populations in a Changing World"
Christine Booker, presenter
Dr. Sherry Harrel, mentor
Erin Ganley, discussant

10:00-10:30 a.m. Library 204G
“Social Media on Smartphone Technology: How Has the Proliferation of Smartphones Affected Our Society?”
Hannah Cole, presenter
Dr. Karen Hood Hopkins, mentor
Adrienne Holtsworth, discussant

10:30-11:00 a.m. Library 204G
“Traditional Craft Medium as Fine Art and its Relationship to Gender”
Kristen Nichols, presenter
Professor Melissa Vandenbergen, mentor
Hannah Cole, discussant

11:00-11:30 a.m. Library 204G
“Art and Stress Management”
Alexandra Rice, presenter
Professor Melissa Vandenbergen, mentor
Kristen Nichols, discussant

11:30-12:00 p.m. Library 204G
“Defunding Terror”
Adrienne Holtsworth, presenter
Dr. Randi Polk, mentor
Alexandra Rice, discussant

1:00-1:30 p.m. Library 204G
“Economic and Human Rights Development in India: A Look at the Effectiveness of Affirmative Action for Scheduled Castes”
Jamie Witherall, presenter
Dr. Gyan Pradhan, mentor
Dennis Smith, discussant

1:30-2:00 p.m. Library 204G
“The Macroeconomic Effects of Corporate Inversion and Possible Policy Solutions”
Jessica Casebolt, presenter
Dr. Gyan Pradhan, mentor
Jamie Witherall, discussant

2:00-2:30 p.m. Library 204G
“Kentucky Streams and Wetlands: A Comparative Analysis, 2009-2017”
Dennis Smith, presenter
Dr. Stephanie McSpirit, mentor
Jessica Casebolt, discussant

3:00-3:30 p.m. Library 204G
“The Emergence of Social Media as a Journalism Platform: Its Roots, Sources, Impact and Implications”
Logan Spradlin, presenter
Dr. Jim Gleason, mentor
Delaney Stovall, discussant

3:30-4:00 p.m. Library 204G
“Eleanor of Aquitaine: A Musical Examination”
Rachel Lachut, presenter
Dr. Timothy Smit, mentor
Logan Spradlin, discussant

4:00-4:30 p.m. Library 204G
“Science and Literature: An Exploration Through a Shared Language”
Delaney Stovall, presenter
Professor Christina Lovin, mentor
Rachel Lachut, discussant
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Graduating Honors seniors, their mentors, families & friends are cordially invited to this year’s Honors Scholars Convocation

Wednesday, May 10, 2017
Keen Johnson Ballroom
6:00 pm: Reception
7:00 pm: Ceremony

All friends and family are welcome!