

WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY



HONORS RESEARCH WEEK 2018

in conjunction with

EXPLORATIONS 2018

Research, Scholarship, and Creative Expression

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

9:00 A.M. — 4:00 P.M. UC 168 A/B

Presentations by students in the following Honors tracks:

Business, Humanities, Clinical Psychology
and Neuropsychology, Cognitive Science, and Music.

7:00 — 9:00 P.M.

Cheng Library Auditorium

Presentations by students in the
Honors Performing and Literary Arts Track.
Reception follows in the Library Friends' Lounge.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

12:30 P.M. — 4:30 P.M., UC 168 A/B

Presentations by students in the following Honors Tracks:

Cognitive Science, Social Sciences, and Music.

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

9:00 A.M. — 3:00 P.M., UC 168 A/B

Presentations by students in the following Honors Tracks:

Nursing, Independent, and Biology.

ABOUT HONORS WEEK AND EXPLORATIONS 2018

Each spring, the Honors College showcases the work of students who are completing one of the Honors College tracks, and recognizes the faculty and staff members who have contributed to their success. Congratulations to all of the outstanding individuals who are participating in Honors Week/Explorations 2018! For more information please visit:
<http://www.wpunj.edu/osp/explorations/>

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Tuesday, April 17
UC 168 A/B

9:00	Kristen Podmajersky (BU)
9:15	Jackie Scordo (BU)
9:30	Hailey Ismailovski (BU)
9:45	Moetaz Shair (BU)
10:00	Seongwon Kim (BU)
10:15	Thomas Savoie (BU)
10:30	Estefania Sanchez (BU)
10:45	Rachel Rivell (BU)
11:00	Erik Slump (BU)
11:15	James Hook (BU)
	BREAK
12:00	Matthew Norton (HUM)
12:15	Erika Ureta (HUM)
12:30	Nia Hayes (HUM)
12:45	Carley D' Auria (HUM)
1:00	Nagyla Obien (HUM)
	BREAK
2:15	Annelise Malgieri (CP)
2:30	Andreas Katsoudas (CP)
2:45	Tyler Kennedy (CP)
3:00	Nancy Bzadough (CP)
3:15	Natalie Arcello (CP)
3:30	Sara Zammit (CGSI)
3:45	Hannah Breckenridge (MUS)

Wednesday, April 18
UC 168 A/B

12:30	Kimberly Boyle (CGSI)
12:45	Adeline Camacho (CGSI)
1:00	Matthew Ianuzzi (CGSI)
1:15	Summer Pirro (CGSI)
1:30	Quinn Reynolds (CGSI)
1:45	Izabela Grzebyk (CGSI)
2:00	Maitry Mahida (CGSI)
	BREAK
3:00	Kelsey Harkins (SSH)
3:15	Karen Mendoza (SSH)
3:30	Kelley Breheny (SSH)
3:45	Miranda Galambos (SSH)
4:00	Steven Crammer (MUS)
4:15	Anthony Petruccello (MUS)
4:30	Steven Caporale (MUS)

Thursday, April 19
UC 168 A/B

9:00	Maridel Asuncion (NUR)
9:15	Jeremiah Bueno (NUR)
9:30	Rachel Felton (NUR)
9:45	Katelyn Gunn (NUR)
10:00	Bayan Hammoudeh (NUR)
10:15	Morgan Keck (NUR)
10:30	Amanda Mallillin (NUR)
10:45	Amanda Nowakowski (NUR)
11:00	Fallon Salkins (NUR)
11:15	Celine-ann Samaniego (NUR)
11:30	Melanie Tanis (NUR)
11:45	Janella Mae Tenorio (NUR)
12:00	Erica Wu (NUR)
12:15	Alexandrea Soden (IND)
12:30	Catherine Esguerra (IND)
12:45	Dhara Jadav (IND)
	BREAK
1:15	Nicole Miller (BIO)
1:30	Trevor Courtright (BIO)
1:45	Rita De-Almeida (BIO)
2:00	Nicholas Morelli (BIO)
2:15	Yuliana Cruz Herrera (BIO)
2:30	Megan Deschaine (BIO)
2:45	Tehreem Tahir (BIO)

HONORS COLLEGE
TRACK DIRECTORS

Barbara Andrew
Independent

Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao
Business

Philip Cioffari
Performing and Literary Arts

Bruce Diamond
Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology

Jeffrey Kresky
Music

Neil Kressel
Social Sciences

Amy Learmonth
Cognitive Science

Jill Nocella
Nursing

K. Molly O'Donnell
Humanities

Joseph Spagna
Biology

Performing & Literary Arts
Track Presentations
Tuesday, 4/17 – 7:00 p.m.
Cheng Library Auditorium
(order to be announced)

Michael Aromando
C'shae Bess-Perez
Nejesea Brown
Jan Feigenbaum
Jamie Gentile
Joseph Larkin
Rebecca Levin
Eros Livieratos
Daniel Popoloski
Morgan Taylor
Whitney Wu

*Reception follows in the Library
Friends' Lounge
next door to the Auditorium.*

TRACK CODES

BIO	Biology
BU	Business
CGSI	Cognitive Science
CP	Clinical Psy. & Neuropsychology
HUM	Humanities
IND	Independent
MUS	Music
NUR	Nursing
PLA	Performing and Literary Arts
SSH	Social Sciences



NATALIE ARCELLO
Honors Track: Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology
Major: Psychology
Thesis Title: *Sensation Seeking and Offenders*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bruce Diamond



KELLEY BREHENY
Honors Track: Social Sciences
Major: Communication Disorders
Thesis Title: *Insurance Coverage of Eating Disorders*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Kathleen Torsney and Dr. Neil Kressel



MICHAEL AROMANDO
Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Major: Art (BFA in Illustration)
Thesis Title: *Armory and the Magic Bag*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



NEJESEA BROWN
Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Majors: Art (BFA in Studio Art)
Thesis Title: *Comic Strip Art*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



MARIDEL ASUNCION
Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *Hospital-Acquired Anemia and Diagnostic Blood Testing: A Review of the Best Prevention Strategies*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



JEREMIAH BUENO
Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *How Attitudes and Beliefs of Undergraduate Nursing Students Influences Smoking Status and Cessation Practice: A Qualitative Study*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



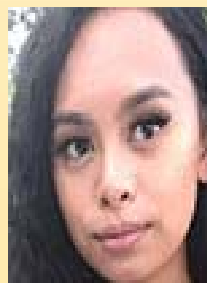
C'SHAE BESS-PEREZ
Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Major: Communication (Public Relations)
Thesis Title: *Just Another 20-Something Drama Queen*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



NANCY BZADOUGH
Honors Track: Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology
Major: Psychology
Thesis Title: *The Neuroeconomics of Autism: A Translational Study*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bruce Diamond



KIMBERLY BOYLE
Honors Track: Cognitive Science
Major: Psychology
Thesis Title: *Cognitive Abilities of Students and Student Athletes*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Amy Learmonth and Dr. David Freestone



ADELINE CAMACHO
Honors Track: Cognitive Science
Major: Mathematics
Thesis Title: *Subjective Socioeconomic Status and Moral Judgement and Reasoning*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Amy Learmonth and Dr. David Freestone



HANNAH BRECKENRIDGE
Honors Track: Music
Major: Music Education
Thesis Title: *Charlotte Mason: Applying Her Philosophies to the Modern Music Classroom*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Carol Frierson-Campbell and Dr. Jeffrey Kresky



STEVEN CAPORALE
Honors Track: Music
Majors: Jazz Studies and Music Education
Thesis Title: *An Analysis of Woody Shaw's Compositions and Improvisations*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jeffrey Kresky



TREVOR COURTRIGHT

Honors Track: Biology
Majors: Biology and Spanish
Thesis Title: *Phenology of Honeybee Colonies and their Key Pollen Plants in the Urbanized New Jersey Landscape*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. David Gilley and Dr. Joseph Spagna



CATHERINE CRUZ ESGUERRA

Honors Track: Independent
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *The Virtual Echo Chamber: The Effect of Social Media Usage on Political Polarization*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Janet Ahn and Dr. Barbara Andrew



STEVEN CRAMMER

Honors Track: Music
Major: Jazz Performance
Thesis Title: *The Art of Tabla Solo: A Guided Performance*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jeffrey Kresky



JAN FEIGENBAUM

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Major: English (Creative Writing)
Thesis Title: *Double Identity: The First Book in the Blood Brothers Trilogy*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



YULIANA CRUZ HERRERA

Honors Track: Biology
Major: Biology
Thesis Title: *Characterization of Diadinoxanthin De-epoxidase Enzyme in *Karenia brevis**
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Emily A. Monroe and Dr. Joseph Spagna



RACHEL FELTON

Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *The Attitudes of Nursing Students Toward Individuals with Substance Misuse Disorder*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



CARLEY D'AURIA

Honors Track: Humanities
Major: English (Writing)
Thesis Title: *Is Bad Representation Better Than No Representation?*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. K. Molly O'Donnell



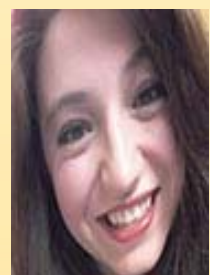
MIRANDA GALAMBOS

Honors Track: Social Sciences
Majors: History and Early Childhood Education
Thesis Title: *Exploring Resilience and Post-traumatic Growth in Survivors of Childhood Trauma*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Sumi Raghavan and Dr. Neil Kressel



RITA DE ALMEIDA

Honors Track: Biology
Major: Environmental Science
Thesis Title: *The Effects of Nitrogen Limitation on the Dinoflagellate *K. brevis**
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Emily A. Monroe and Dr. Joseph Spagna



JAMIE GENTILE

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Majors: Communication (Media Production and Media Studies)
Thesis Title: *Binding*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



MEGAN DESCHAINED

Honors Track: Biology
Major: Biology
Thesis Title: *Testing the Enhancer-Promoter Sharing Model as a Mechanism Underlying Adjacent Gene Co-Regulation in Budding Yeast*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. James Arnone and Dr. Joseph Spagna



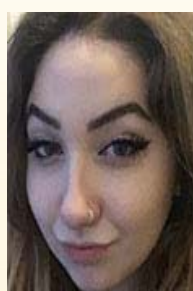
IZABELA GRZEBYK

Honors Track: Cognitive Science
Major: Psychology
Thesis Title: *The Effects of Language Proficiency on Mathematical Abilities in Bilinguals*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Amy Learmonth and Dr. David Freestone



KATELYN GUNN

Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *How Does Workplace Violence in the Emergency Department Affect Nurses Physically and Psychologically: A Systematic Review*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



HAILEY ISMAILOVSKI

Honors Track: Business
Majors: Finance and Economics
Thesis Title: *Factors Affecting Credit Score*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao and Dr. Bela Florenthal



BAYAN HAMMOUDEH

Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *Nursing Students' Attitudes and Beliefs Towards CAM*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



DHARA BIPIN JADAV

Honors Track: Independent
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *Substance Abuse and Risky Academic Decision-Making in College Students*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. David Freestone and Dr. Barbara Andrew



KELSEY HARKINS

Honors Track: Social Sciences
Major: Athletic Training
Thesis Title: *Work Life Balance in Athletic Training*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Robb Rehberg and Dr. Neil Kressel



ANDREAS KATSOUDAS

Honors Track: Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology
Major: History
Thesis Title: *A Meta-Analysis on the Difficulties of Testing an Autistic Population*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bruce Diamond



NIA HAYES

Honors Track: Humanities
Majors: Mathematics and Business
Thesis Title: *The Adventures of Beatrix Potter; A Victorian Writer, Scientist, and Entrepreneur*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. K. Molly O'Donnell



MORGAN KECK

Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *Comparison of Mode of Delivery in Relation to Health Status of Newborns: A Systematic Review of the Literature*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



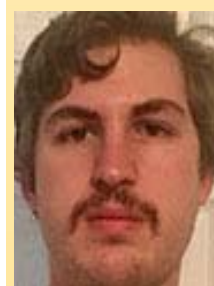
JAMES HAMILTON HOOK

Honors Track: Business
Major: Accounting
Thesis Title: *How do Millennials Choose Jobs?*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Bela Florenthal and Dr. Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao



TYLER JULES KENNEDY

Honors Track: Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology
Major: Psychology
Thesis Title: *Psilocybin's Healing Potential*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bruce Diamond



MATTHEW IANNUZZI

Honors Track: Cognitive Science
Major: Psychology
Thesis Title: *The Hairy Enigma*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Amy Learmonth and Dr. David Freestone



SEONGWON WONNY KIM

Honors Track: Business
Majors: Global Business and Economics
Thesis Title: *The Consequences of Electronic Waste on Global Environment and Human Health*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao and Dr. Bela Florenthal



JOSEPH LARKIN

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Major: Music Sound Engineering
Thesis Title: *Helianthus*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



KAREN MENDOZA

Honors Track: Social Sciences
Majors: Political Science and Legal Studies
Thesis Title: *Observing the Portrayal of Immigrants on American Children's Programming*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Fanny Lauby McKinley and Dr. Neil Kressel



REBECCA LEVIN

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Majors: Music Education and Classical Voice
Thesis Title: *The Art of Music: A Voice of Understanding in a World of Chaos*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



NICOLE MILLER

Honors Track: Biology
Major: Biology (Ecology)
Thesis Title: *Investigating the Spatial Foraging Patterns of Apis mellifera L. in a Mixed Environment Setting Using Waggle Dance Decoding*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. David Gilley and Dr. Joseph Spagna



EROS LIVIERATOS

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Majors: English (Writing) and Philosophy
Thesis Title: *A Small Hell*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



NICHOLAS MORELLI

Honors Track: Biology
Major: Biology
Thesis Title: *Learning and Decision Making in a Mouse Model of Autism*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. David Freestone and Dr. Joseph Spagna



MAISTRY MAHIDA

Honors Track: Cognitive Science
Major: Psychology
Thesis Title: *Mediators of Risk Frequency and Risk Perception*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Natalie Obrecht and Dr. Amy Learmonth



MATTHEW C. NORTON

Honors Track: Humanities
Major: History
Thesis Title: *A Forgotten Generation: Hungarian Émigrés from 1848-1870*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. K. Molly O'Donnell



ANNELISE MALGIERI

Honors Track: Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology
Majors: Exercise Science and Psychology
Thesis Title: *The Acute Effects of Music on Aerobic Fitness and Facial Recognition in an ASD Individual*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bruce Diamond



AMANDA MARIE NOWAKOWSKI

Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *The Effect of the NICU on Neonatal and Infant Sleep: An Integrative Review*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



AMANDA MALLILLIN

Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *Does Understanding of Sexuality and Attitude Towards Sexuality by RNs and Students Affect Patient Care?: A Systematic Review of the Literature*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



NAGYLA OBIEN

Honors Track: Humanities
Major: Biology
Thesis Title: *DACA & the Dreamers' Struggle for Higher Education*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. K. Molly O'Donnell



ANTHONY PETRUCCELLO

Honors Track: Music
Major: Music Studies
Thesis Title: *French Polyphonic Music of the 14th Century*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Anton Vishio and Dr. Jeffrey Kresky



FALLON SALKINS

Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *Dignity in End of Life Care: A Systematic Review of the Literature*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



SUMMER RAE PIRRO

Honors Track: Cognitive Science
Majors: Mathematics and Education
Thesis Title: *Math Anxiety: The Adverse Effects of Anxious Teaching*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Amy Learmonth and Dr. David Freestone



CELINE-ANN SAMANIEGO

Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *What are the Effects of Therapeutic Humor on Emotions in the Geriatric Population: A Systematic Review of the Literature*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



KRISTEN PODMAJERSKY

Honors Track: Business
Major: Finance
Thesis Title: *Perceived Fairness of Pay Moderates Motivation*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao and Dr. Bela Florenthal



ESTEFANIA SANCHEZ

Honors Track: Business
Major: Accounting
Thesis Title: *The Academic Performance of Caregivers*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Bela Florenthal and Dr. Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao



DANIEL POPOLOSKI

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Majors: Communication (Print Journalism & Broadcast Journalism, Public Relations)
Thesis Title: *Living in Ignorance*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



THOMAS SAVOIE

Honors Track: Business
Majors: Professional Sales
Thesis Title: *What Factors are Preventing College Students from Saving for the Future?*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Bela Florenthal and Dr. Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao



QUINN REYNOLDS

Honors Track: Cognitive Science
Majors: Mathematics and Elementary Education
Thesis Title: *Do Adults Remember Elementary School Material?*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Amy Learmonth and Dr. David Freestone



JACKIE NOEL SCORDO

Honors Track: Business
Major: Accounting
Thesis Title: *Factors Affecting Millennial Retention in the Workplace*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao and Dr. Bela Florenthal



RACHEL RIVELL

Honors Track: Business
Major: Financial Planning
Thesis Title: *How Effective is Social Media Advertising on Millennials?*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Bela Florenthal and Dr. Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao



MOETAZ SHAIR

Honors Track: Business
Major: Global Business
Thesis Title: *Effects of Corporate Scandals on the Stock Market*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao and Dr. Bela Florenthal



ERIK PIETER SLUMP
Honors Track: Business
Major: Global Business
Thesis Title: *Natural Disaster Prevention for New Jersey*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Bela Florenthal and Dr. Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao



ERIKA URETA
Honors Track: Humanities
Major: Biology
Thesis Title: "Hi, Yank!" Soldier Shows and Troop Morale in WWII
Thesis Advisor: Dr. K. Molly O'Donnell



ALEXANDREA SODEN
Honors Track: Independent
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *A Systematic Review: Comparison of Full-Term Vaginal and Cesarean Birth Outcomes*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Julie Bliss and Dr. Barbara Andrew



ERICA WU
Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: The Effects of Pet Therapy on Reducing Stress in College Students: A Systematic Review
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



TEHREEM TAHIR
Honors Track: Biology
Major: Biotechnology
Thesis Title: *Creating an Axenic Culture of the Toxic dinoflagellate Karenia brevis, and Comparing its Growth Rate and Brevetoxin Production to Xenic Cultures of K. brevis*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Carey Waldburger and Dr. Joseph Spagna



WHITNEY WU
Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Majors: Communication (Theater & Comedy, Public Relations)
Thesis Title: *A Series of Short Plays Regarding Depression and Suicide*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



MELANIE B. TANIS
Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *Knowledge & Attitudes of Nurses Regarding Breastfeeding in Relation to a Mother's Decision to Breastfeed Exclusively: A Systematic Review of the Literature*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



SARA PAIGE ZAMMIT
Honors Track: Cognitive Science
Majors: Communication Disorders and Anthropology
Thesis Title: *Anxiety and Achievement: Does Anxiety Have an Impact on Performance in College students?*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Amy Learmonth and Dr. David Freestone



MORGAN TAYLOR
Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Major: Art (BFA)
Thesis Title: *Monster Hunter Game*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



JANELLA MAE TENORIO
Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *Nursing Students' Attitudes Toward Older Adults: A Systematic Review of the Literature*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella

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