Valders Classroom 206
The Politics of Sport
Moderator: Joy Conrad
  Lydia Eager
  Football Unites Us All: Sports and Apartheid
  Eddie Freier
  The Economic Success of the German Soccer League
  Annè Wermedal
  Olympic Sized Terror: Munich 1972

Valders Classroom 262
The Frontier and the American Dream
Moderator: Rebecca Sullivan
  Laura Proescholdt
  The Melancholy of Meriwether Lewis
  Katherine Cafisch
  Frontier Mentality: The Environmental Derivation of the American Dream
  Kahara Franze
  Expansion at Home and Abroad: The Diplomat John Quincy Adams

Valders Classroom 362
Civic Leadership and Economic Policy
Moderator: Anne Bulliung
  Ryan Shellady
  Poor Disregard: How British Policy and Economic Interest Turned the Irish Famine's Agricultural Dilemma into a Human Catastrophe
  Grant Barnes
  Bengal Famine: Who is Responsible?
  Ethan Taylor
  Caesar's Role as Princeps Civitatis and the Social Influence of Rome

Valders Classroom 367
Political Oppression and Human Rights
Moderator: Diane Scholl
  Jordan Kuchera
  Torture and Discipline in an Age of Terror
  Michael Moore
  "Cheap Slaves and Whipped Curs": The Development, Practice, and Legacy of Anti-Chinese Racism in the American West
  Brittany Anderson
  Prisoners of Society: Magdalene Asylums of Twentieth Century Ireland

Since its beginning in 1977, Paideia 111/112, our common first-year course, has included a research paper unit which culminates in a lengthy thesis-driven paper. Paideia sections focus on different historical periods, cultures, or issues, so students work on topics as varied as "Forms of Social Control and Resistance," "The Politics of Sport," and "The Frontier and the American Dream." College librarians work collaboratively with Paideia 112 faculty to help students explore search strategies, databases, web resources, reserve lists, scholarly monographs and articles, and primary sources.

During this year’s Research Symposium, each of the 36 Paideia 112 sections is represented by a student presentation, in 12 different panels throughout the day.
SESSION II: 11:00 A.M. – Noon

Valders Classroom 206
African-American Culture Between the Wars
Moderator: Lauren Anderson

Adam Graf
The Rift Between Gershwin and the Blues

Regina Young
Sparking Equality: How Marian Anderson’s Freedom Concert Projected the Lincoln Memorial into a Protest Site for the Civil Rights Movement

Marea Holkesvik
The Key to Life’s Journey

Valders Classroom 262
Social Role of Education
Moderator: Alison Mandaville

Bryn Hedlund
Deceptive Education: Critical Thinking Deficiencies in College Graduates

Kelsey T. Agather
Stepping Stone: The History of Co-Education at Luther College

Ashley Tewes
Limiting Educational Access: Apartheid’s Method to Suppress African People’s Advancement

Valders Classroom 362
Environment and Public Policy
Moderator: Lise Kildegaard

Carter Johnson
The University of the Wilderness: An Examination of John Muir

Elida Wiebe
A Thirst for Peace in Palestine

Kristina Krause
Dr. Seuss: Presenting Propaganda or Introducing Issues?

SESSION III: 1:00 – 2:00 P.M.

Valders Classroom 206
Early Modern Women
Moderator: Victoria Christman

Aren St. Louis
The Malleus Maleficarum’s Influence on the Perception of Witches

Carly Densmore
Conform or be "Torn to Peeces"

Michelle Forsman
La Malinche: Traitor or Victim of Patriarchy?

Valders Classroom 262
American Popular Culture
Moderator: Kathy Reed

Emma Cassabaum
Women in Science Fiction: Undeniable Force

Ashley Meyers
The Women of Our War Songs: Women and Motherhood in American Civil War Song Lyrics

Katelynn Pankratz
A Visual Scapegoat: Sociologists Ponder TV in the 1950s

Valders Classroom 362
Forms of Social Control and Resistance
Moderator: Novian Whitsitt

Anna Jeide
The Effect of Radicalization with the Vietnam War Protests

Raleigh Sims
"Nobody Ever Asks Us": China's One-Child Policy and How They Achieve and Justify Their Actions

Jenna Johnson
The Lord’s Resistance Army: Abducting Children to Reaffirm Their Identity and Guarantee a Future

Valders Classroom 367
Religion in Action
Moderator: Robert Christman

Robert Manges
Religious Expression and the Affordable Care Act

Webster Gehring
We will be together, and God will be with us: The Story of Beyers Naudè, South African Activist

Amanda Busta
Imitators of Christ: Flagellants of the Mid-Fourteenth Century

Valders Classroom 367
Cultural Perspectives on Ethical Practices
Moderator: Scott Hurley

Abby Carpenter
Cannibalism from an Anthropological Perspective

Amanda Jenkins
An Elephantine Predicament for Young Elephants

Laura Post
Wild Animals Behind Bars: The Ethical and Practical Implications of Zoos