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LUTHER COLLEGE STUDENT RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM
MAY 6, 2011

PAIDEIA I RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

Since its beginning in 1977, Paideia I, 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 “Medieval England” and “Torture and Terrorism.” College librarians work collaboratively with Paideia I 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 35 Paideia I sections is represented by a student presentation, in 11 different panels throughout the day.

Session I: 11:00 A.M. – Noon

Olin Classroom 101
Race and Freedom
Moderator: Keona Ervin

Victoria Troxler
The Church and African American Women

Carson Lilly
Fighting Apartheid: Steve Biko and the Black Consciousness Movement

Calla Olson
Harassment or Heroic?: Anti-apartheid Activism and the True Nature of the Black Sash

Olin Classroom 104
Religious Justifications for Political Action
Moderator: Diane Scholl

Erin Tuecke
More than Just a Good Sermon: Events that Confirmed God’s Role in the First Crusade

Beth Ostlie
Knights of Columbus: Assimilation and Preservation

Leif Vandersteen
Sex-Hooked with the Snow Gang: Paranoia and Purity Among White Christians to Save Their America
**Olin Classroom 207**

**Medieval and Early Modern Mentalities**

*Moderator: Jane Kemp*

- **Luke Hanson**  
The Open-Field System and the Medieval Manor: Tenants and Farmers of the English Countryside in the Middle Ages

- **Mary Maiden Mueller**  
Heinrich Kramer and the Malleus Maleficarum

- **Kathleen Miller**  
Rebirth in the Renaissance: Women's Sexual Experience and Its Effects

- **Sophia Huang**  
To the Moste Excellente Reader: Gender in Renaissance Letter-Writing

**Olin Classroom 208**

**Encountering the Americas**

*Moderator: Germano Streese*

- **David Baxter**  
Diversity and Conquest: The Role of Africans in the Colonization of Spanish America

- **Kimberly Osberg**  
Literally Standing: First Generation Norwegian Immigrants and their Fight Against Americanization through Literature

- **Katherine DuBois**  
From Sugar to Communism: The Socioeconomic Forces Behind Fidel Castro's Cuba

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**Session II: 1:30 – 2:30 P.M.**

**Olin Classroom 101**

**Classical Worlds**

*Moderator: Carol Gilbertson*

- **Stephanie Lake**  
Rationale for Classical Greek Homosexuality

- **Nathan Schmidt**  
Roman Venationes: The Loss of the Bond Between Man and Nature

- **Maria Streyle**  
Women Who Made the History Books: Pawns or Politicians?

**Olin Classroom 104**

**Men of Note**

*Moderator: Joseph Needham*

- **Sara Pecinovsky**  
Joseph Smith: God's Prophet?

- **Cole Bosworth**  
Music is the Science of Heaven: A Study of Louis Moreau Gottschalk

- **Katrina Okerstrom**  
"John Rabe" (2009): Film and Historical Inaccuracy
Olin Classroom 207
Ethics and Politics
Moderator: Scott Hurley
  Austin Bauer
  Connections and Commitments to Wildlife and Nature: Do We Privilege the Species or the Individual?
  Jenna Hoge
  Grameen Bank: The Social Benefits for Women of Economic Solutions
  Hannah Aamot
  Citizens United and Its Effects on Campaign Finance

Olin Classroom 208
Occupations
Moderator: Novian Whitsitt
  Genevieve Becker
  Motives of the British Administration and Indian Nationalists: Waziristan 1936-38
  Joseph Novak
  Finland’s Surprising Defense from the Russian Invasion of 1939
  Johanna Mueller
  The Impact of Television on the Vietnam War

Session III: 4:00 – 5:00 P.M.

Olin Classroom 101
Educational Philosophies
Moderator: Rebecca Sullivan
  Charles Hoefi
  Natural Aristocracy in Government: The Embodiment of Jefferson’s Philosophy of Education in the Founding of the University of Virginia
  Katherine Wallace
  The Current Early Years Education System in Germany: A Combination of Both East and West German Objectives
  Alexandra Dallman
  Testing the Knowledge of Some, the Patience of Others
  Kaila Vogt
  Magnet Schools and Funding

Olin Classroom 104
Women’s Movements
Moderator: Ed Tebbenhoff
  Callie Mabry
  Broken Glass and Broken Laws: How the Trials of Women Suffragettes in the Old Bailey Court influenced the Movement for Women’s Suffrage in the late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Centuries
  Kristen Flak
  Coeducation at Luther College: A Response to the Great Depression
  Victoria Muller Ewald
  A History of Women’s Studies at Luther College: A Process Driven by Student Need
Olin Classroom 207
Spies and Assassins
Moderator: Greg Jesson

Andrew Streck
Life in Paris Under the Nazi Occupation

Katherine Scherr
The Justification of Torture: Democracy vs Dictatorship

Alexander Greiner
A Hot Cup of Tea: The Murder of Alexander Litvinenko