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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

Harmless 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 Excellence 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

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 Hoeft

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