



**Arts - Research - Scholarship**

# SYMPOSIUM

**Cabrini University**

**May 3, 2022**

Program





## Arts, Research & Scholarship Symposium

### Undergraduate Schedule

#### Evening Session - May 2, 2022

**6:00 pm - 7:30 pm**    **Learning Community Poster Presentations**  
*(Dixon Center - Nerney Field House)*  
**Welcome by Dr. Richie Gebauer, Assistant Dean for Retention and Student Success**

#### May 3, 2022

**9:00 am**                **Student Set-up**  
*(Dixon Center - Nerney Field House)*

**9:30 am - 9:45 am**    **Welcome and Introductions**  
**Dr. Chioma Ugochukwu - Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs**  
**Dr. Sheryl Fuller-Espie - Symposium Co-chair**  
*(Dixon Center - Nerney Field House)*

**9:45 am - 11:30 am**    **Poster Presentations**  
*(Dixon Center - Nerney Field House)*

**10:30 am - 11:30 am**    **Graphic Design Artwork Exhibition**  
*(Gorevin Gallery, Holy Spirit Library)*

11:30 am - 12:30 pm **Lunch**

12:30 pm - 4:00 pm **Oral Presentations**  
*(Founder's Hall - various locations)*

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm **Pierce Fellows Project Presentations: Hunger and Food Insecurity**  
*(Iadorola Center - Lecture Hall)*

**Graduate Schedule**  
**May 3, 2022**

5:15 pm **Welcome and Introductions**  
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**Dr. Beverly R. Bryde, Dean for School of Education**  
**Dr. Michelle Yvonne Szpara, Symposium Co-chair**

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm **Poster Presentations**

6:45 pm - 7:45 pm **Roundtable Discussions**

8:00 pm - 9:00 pm **Alumni Presentations**

Please note: The program and all abstracts can be viewed online at:  
[www.cabrini.edu/symposium](http://www.cabrini.edu/symposium)

## Undergraduate Student Presenters

### Evening Session - May 2, 2022

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm    **Learning Community Poster Presentations**  
(Dixon Center - Nerney Field House)

#### *“ACE”*

Jedidah Antwi  
Hannah Barcomb  
Gianna Bisacquino  
Anthony Campo  
Dominic Daniele  
Fatoumata Diakite  
Cliff Fineanganofu  
Michael Fioravante  
Jeff Garcia  
Caela Gibson

Sean Glatts  
Makenzie Griffith  
Brett Harrelle  
Taylor Kampf  
Kerriane King  
Hunter Kraiza  
Mason Lenart  
Dillon Love  
Elizabeth-Mae Minimi  
Trent Moltz

Nicholas Mormando  
Colton Norman  
Andrew Olvera  
Emmanuel Ortiz  
Adriana Pietrewicz  
Clara Portorreal  
Danisha Robledo  
Shane Schaffer  
Dakota Tee  
Abigail Van Houten

#### *“Balance”*

Ethan Archambault  
Xavier Dunham  
Khaleb Freeman  
Sophia Harbison  
Kelley Hennessy

Nathan Kiker  
Sean McLaughlin-  
McAleese  
Joshua Murphy  
Benjamin Rothe

Erin Rugh  
Mariam Sazheniuki  
Jordan Silvestri  
Brenna Zervos

#### *“Cabrini Cruisers”*

Samuel Ben Ali  
Kevin Chasiluisa  
Kristal Elliott  
Madison Forde

Naomy Garcia  
Brianna Mack  
Christie McCoy  
Brenda Nunez-Diaz

Kaylyn Vega  
John Ward  
Matthew Whitfield  
Michael Zahradnick

*“Common Grounds”*

Nicholas D’Achille  
Skylar Dickson  
Modest Donacien  
Jessica Donovan

Mariame Dore  
Mathew Dorrian  
Jeff Isaac  
Jenna Myers

Giana Rullo  
Mark Slade  
Samantha Sturkey  
Colin Tomczak  
Trent Valle

*“Communications Learning Community”*

Nicholas Barone  
Nancy Bedoya  
Ryan Brown  
Imari Dye  
Fernanda Gallegos  
Amber Guinn  
Shekinah Hannibal

Victor Harrell  
Sarah Kaznowsky  
Christopher  
Monaco  
Christopher Perri  
Isaiah Reed  
Griffin Reichow

Henry Sinchi  
Carson Stienstra  
TaNia Sudler  
Hunter Waldron  
Destiny Walker

*“Deviations”*

Olivia Bieg  
Dejah Brooks  
Freda Cobos  
Jade Grullon

Courtney Keith  
Teaira McNeil  
Keegan Miller  
Kailyn Point Du Jour

Cassidy Starner  
Cole Summerfield  
Abby Tobelmann  
Kym Troy  
Anaiyah Williams

*“Educators”*

Kimberly Anders  
Devon Barnett  
Meg Blum  
Joanna Boccardo  
Nashay Dickerson

Sarah Fava  
Niagale Fofana  
Emma Garrison  
Natalie Morris  
Eber Noriega-Vargas

Courtney Paulson  
Shauna Stotler  
Abigail Windon  
Ashley Zimmerman

*“IMPACT”*

Brendan Ainscoe  
Tyler Carroll  
Jaden Dickerson  
Zakcery Donlen  
Madison Heipp  
Aaron Jenkins

Veronica Kelley  
Isabella LeGendre  
Ejinaiyah Massaquoi  
Christian Murray  
Brooke Protesto  
Amanda Purdy

Camryn Ratchford  
Brady Rauner  
Emma Regulski  
Gabriella Robinson  
Zachary Thomas  
Amy Washington

*“Men of Color Leadership Academy”*

Johan Abad-Meja  
Denzel  
Atkinson-Boyer  
Samiir Calhoun  
Antwon Davis

Julian Diaz  
Amir Ellis  
Sakim Howard  
Donoven Mack

Cyseem Richardson  
Verdell Robinson III  
Kailim Spann

*“Voices of Justice”*

Isryanna Cruz  
Samuel Debany  
Ryan Dunne  
Colette Ernst  
AH'Shiyah Fuller  
Asharee Greer

Chelsea Kim  
Zarsha Koolor  
Emma Law  
Abigail McClatchy  
Savannah  
McClendon

Neve Murphy  
Khoi Nguyen  
Shianne Schott  
Lauren Young  
Matthew Zaitz

*“Writers, Ink.”*

Isabella Bukowski  
Spencer Charon  
James Ferriola  
Dezire Guzman

Gage Gwiazdowski  
Christina Johnson  
Gianna McGann  
Benjamin Ohnmacht

Marianyelis Rivera  
Victoria Rybakowski  
Aniya Staley

**May 3, 2022**

9:45 am - 11:30 am

**Poster Presentations**

*(Dixon Center - Nerney Field House)*

**Business Department**

**The School of Business and Professional Studies**

- Conley, Lauryn: *“People Planet Profit”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Erin McLaughlin
- Gerace, Carly: *“The Effect of Income Levels on Consumer Behavior of Residents in Pennsylvania”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Kareem Tannous

**Communication Department**

**The School of Business and Professional Studies**

- Baker, Ethan and Marissa Watts: *“Mental Health Services”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Cordes
- Canan, Cecilia and Wyatt Haney: *“College Students Identity Development Through Social Media”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Cordes
- Crossley, Brooke and James Mercante: *“Podcast usage in 18-24 year olds”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Cordes
- Dilks, James and Samantha Voelker: *“Social Media Screen Time Effects on Daily Mood”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Cordes

- Fridge, Jason: *“Presenting the Scene: Creating Parasocial Relationships in Sports Broadcasts”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Cordes
- Houghton, Ben and Aarin McMahon: *“Medias Negative Impact on Body Image”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Cordes
- Mukova, Francisca: *“Social Media, User Gratification and Censorship”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Cordes
- Rosario, Saige and Troy Scott: *“The Effects of Social Media in Relationships”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Cordes

**Health and Exercise Sciences Department**  
**The School of Arts and Sciences**

- Baker, Jonathan, Dakota Bauer and Rey Maisonet: *“Metabolic Effects of Intermittent Fasting”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anjuli Gairola
- Christiansen, Spenser and Maura Tumelty: *“The Effects of Celiac Disease on Metabolism”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anjuli Gairola
- Christiansen, Spenser, Maura Tumelty, Jocelyn Ramirez and Valerie Wisner: *“Cross Examination of Physical Activity Levels and Academic Field of Study in College Students”*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Anjuli Gairola
- Fazzini, Morgan: *“The Damage of Processed Foods”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anjuli Gairola

- Ferrara, Sean: *“Caffeine Performance in Sports”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anjuli Gairola
- Pensabene, Robert: *“Comparing a Ketogenic Diet and Vegan Diet in terms of Weight Loss”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anjuli Gairola
- Pensabene, Robert, Conlin Groft, Jonathan Baker and Rey Maisonet: *“Effects of Physical Activity on Stress Levels of College Students”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Anjuli Gairola

**Psychology Department**  
**The School of Arts and Sciences**

- Capria, Alexis: *“Are Traditional Empirical Methods Sufficient To Provide Evidence For Psychological Practice?”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terelecki
- Carroll, Morgan: *“Are Father's Necessary for Children's well-Being?”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terelecki
- Giannascoli, Alyssa, Julie Lopez, Orlyany Sanchez and Michelle Piccone: *“The Affect Human-Animal Interaction has on Emotional Beings”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Corcoran
- Gillespie, Theresa: *“Is excessive use of Social Media a form of Narcissism”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terelecki
- Gudas, Sarah, Miranda Liebttag and Paige Zimmerman: *“Puzzles and Personality”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Corcoran

- Gudas, Sarah: *“Does an Elective Abortion Lead to Negative Psychological Effects?”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terlecki
- Johnson, Tiera: *“Are All Psychotherapies Equally Effective?”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terelecki
- Johnson, Kabreya: *“Can sex be addictive?”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terelecki
- Karluah, Amenta: *“Should Neuroscience Research be used to Inform Law Practices?”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terlecki
- Lenet, Max: *“Eclectic Therapy for Autism Spectrum Disorder”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terlecki
- Lewis, Angelique: *“The Effects Social Media has on Self-esteem”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Micheal Corcoran
- Lewis-Wimberly, Angelique: *“Should solitary confinement be considered as psychological torture”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terelecki
- Lopez, Julie: *“Is ADHD a Real Diagnosis”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terlecki
- Martinez, Megan: *“Are Violent Video Games Harmful to Children and Adolescents?”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terelecki

- Martins, Barbara, Kathie Flores and Katie Cappola: *“Ebony flies Response to Thermal Stimuli of 44°C and 48°C in Seconds”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ruta Clair
- Moreno, Annalise: *“The Relationship between race and perceived criminality”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Corcoran
- Moreno, Annalise: *“The relationship between parents' sexual orientation and child development”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terlecki
- Neiman, Emily: *“Can Positive Psychology Make Us Happier?”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terlecki
- Neiman, Emily, Megan Martinez and JaLisa Gibson: *“Factors Affecting Social Functioning and Depression in Elderly Populations”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ruta Clair
- Pezick, Andrea, Malik Bailey, Alyssa Mancini and Clare Johnston: *“Cognitive Performance of Personalities with Music”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Corcoran
- Piccone, Michelle: *“Is American Psychological Research Generalizable To Other Cultures?”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terlecki
- Taylor, Saralyn and Kabreya Carroll-Johnson: *“Relationship Between Aging, Social Interaction Skills and Anxiety”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ruta Clair
- Tucker Young, Cyantaé: *“What is emotional intelligence?”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terlecki

- Villegas, Sofia: *“Is Evolution a Good Explanation for Psychological Concepts”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Melissa Terelecki

Science Department  
The School of Arts and Sciences

- Anarfi, Margaret: *“Placenta Previa and its Associated Disorders on the Effects, Risk and Management on Maternal and Fetal Health”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze
- Ashiru, Ifeoluwa: *“The correlation between Tuberculosis and HIV and its prevalence in Africa.”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Ashiru, Ifeoluwa, Praise Yormie and Margaret Anarfi: *“Drosophila Insulin receptor regulates the persistence of injury-induced nociceptive sensitization.”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Barycki, Nicole, Georgina Ramirez Bamaca and Daisy Morquecho: *“The utilization of heterotrophic plate count technique to identify potential food pathogens present in store-bought raw chicken”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sheryl Fuller Espie
- Bonner, Lily: *“Ovarian Cancer: Diagnosis and Treatment”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Conan Virtue, Rachel: *“Customized 3D Printed Molecular Modeling Kits for Visually Impaired Students”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Alexander Davis

- Conan Virtue, Rachel: *“Examining dance movement therapy as a nonpharmacological treatment for individuals diagnosed with developmental disorders, mental health disorders, and neurodegenerative disorders”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze
- Coppola, Katie: *“Multiple Sclerosis and its Treatments”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Dini, Theodora, Patrick Quinn and Tien Tran: *“Host specificity: How T2 and  $\phi$ X174 infect two different strains of Escherichia coli and determine plaque morphology”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sheryl Fuller-Espie
- Fiore, Elise: *“Synthetic alternatives to Horseshoe crab blood and the Limulus Amoebocyte Lysate Assay for the detection of Endotoxins”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze
- Flores, Kathie and Barbara Martins: *“Enumeration of soil microorganisms”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sheryl Fuller-Espie
- Ford, Ellen, Ariana Rivera and Jake Newsom: *“An investigation into antibiotic resistance of Escherichia coli to ampicillin and streptomycin via bacterial conjugation”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sheryl Fuller-Espie
- Ford, Ellen: *“The Past, Present and Future of HIV Treatment”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Frino, Tara: *“The Theory of Raman and Infrared Spectroscopy and its Uses in Various Fields”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze

- Hernandez, Leslie, Tien Tran and Yaneska Reyes: *“New discoveries in DNA forensic methodologies: Artificial vs authentic DNA differentiation and metabarcoding”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sheryl Fuller- Espie
- Holden, Ashton, Jordan Brown and Brian Fuller: *“Implementation of the HeliScope single molecule sequencer in precision medicine applications”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sheryl Fuller-Espie
- Holmes, Nicholas, Avery Byrnes, and River Harper: *“Gene therapy using CRISPR-Cas 9 and a retrovirus vector to treat sickle cell anemia and junctional epidermolysis bullosa”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sheryl Fuller-Espie
- Ignaszak, Sydney, Abaigeal Staniewski and Jasmine Martinez: *“Cutting-edge advances in CRISPR/Cas 9 technology provide potential clinical therapies for Huntington’s Disease”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sheryl Fuller-Espie
- Kargbo, Jessie, Steven Morency, Bryan Koshy: *“Investigation of Bt toxin resistance and biofortification benefits in genetically modified organisms (GMOs)”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sheryl Fuller-Espie
- Labrosciano, Darian: *“Horizontal Gene Transfer Between Wolbachia and Aedes Aegypti and Its Effect on the Transmission of Dengue Virus”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Mazza, Samantha: *“An Investigation of Antibiotics and Antibiotic Resistance”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur

- McDonald, Matthew: *“Engineering Plastics and Polymer Nanotechnology”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze
- Milavec, Julia: *“The Biochemistry of Alzheimer’s Disease”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze
- Morquecho, Daisy: *“The Impact of Poor Oral Health on Various Groups”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze
- Mukova, Francisca: *“Comparing the efficacy of vaccine-acquired immunity to innate immunity”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze
- Newsom, Jake: *“Vaccine Development”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze
- Profrock, Victoria, Patrick Quinn and Gianna Haldaman: *“Investigating the correlation between nociceptive sensitization and pain response in Drosophila melanogaster.”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Profrock, Victoria: *“The application of gene therapy for the treatment and potential prevention of cystic fibrosis, lung cancer, and eye disease.”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Qureshi, Adam: *“The different types of bone substitutes and determining which bone is the best substitute for natural bone”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Ramirez, Georgina, Daisy Morquecho and Lily Bonner: *“The mystery of pain”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur

- Ramirez, Georgina: *“Causes and treatments for neurodegenerative diseases”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Reyes, Yaneska: *“How cardiomyopathy occurs”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze
- Rivera, Ariana: *“Evidence of horizontal gene transfer amongst Drosophila melanogaster and its endosymbiont Wolbachia”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Rivera, Ariana, Adam Sayed and Ellen Ford: *“The impact of socioeconomic factors such as years of education and current employment status on depression and anxiety”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Sayed, Adam: *“The different types of bone substitutes and determining which bone is the best substitute for natural bone”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze
- Szupper, Michaela: *“The Effectiveness of Animal Training in the Field”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze
- Taylor, Saralyn: *“Genetic Predisposition and Risk Factor for Bipolar Disorder”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Thomas, Savante: *“Non-Smoking Associated Lung Cancer”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Thomas, Shilpa: *“How Drug Repurposing is Effective in COVID-19”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur

- Trizonis, Evan: *“Investigating the Relationship between Nicotine & COVID-19 and Potential Therapeutic Treatments”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Virtue, Rachel, Kenzi Eldabh and Katie Coppola: *“The determination of bacterial numbers in Escherichia coli using a quantitative plating procedure and a spectrophotometer”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sheryl Fuller-Espie
- Vo, Kim, Theodhora Qyshkollari and Shilpa Thomas: *“Examining the effects of Pasteurization on the sanitary quality of milk”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sheryl Fuller-Espie
- Wainwright, Emily, Geraldine Brown and Shanise Wilkerson: *“Measuring Pain Sensations of Ebony Drosophila”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Vinayak Mathur
- Yormie, Praise: *“The effects of lead exposure in developing countries”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maia Magrakvelidze

Sociology & Criminology Department  
The School of Arts and Sciences

- Ardizzzone, Richard: *“Smoking and Vaping in College Students with Mental Health Issues”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Katie Farina
- Coston, David: *“Victimization and the effects on Punitiveness”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Katie Farina
- Gramlick, Alexia: *“Stress and Mental Health in College”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Katie Farina

- Harahan, James: *“The Impact of Race & Gender on Perception of Gun Control”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Katie Farina
- McCloskey, Tara: *“Race, Gender, and Individuals' Perceptions of the Death Penalty”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Katie Farina
- McGeary, Ariana: *“Television and perceptions of criminal justice”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Katie Farina
- Orr, Alexandra: *“Mental Health and Substance Abuse”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Katie Farina
- Reinacher, Skye: *“Gendered Perceptions in STEM/Mathematics”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Katie Farina
- Ruk, Jessica: *“Mental Health and Substance Use”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Katie Farina
- Vardanyan, Anri: *“Privacy & Surveillance”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Katie Farina

10:30 am - 11:30 am

**Graphic Design Artwork Exhibition**  
*(Gorevin Gallery, Holy Spirit Library)*

- Kilsary Abreu: *“Streetwear Culture Book Design”*  
Faculty sponsor: Prof. Jeanne Komp
- Christina DiGiovanni: *“Toys of the 50s', 60s', and 70s' Book Design”*  
Faculty sponsor: Prof. Jeanne Komp
- Quinn Donovan: *“Dash Magazine”*  
Faculty sponsor: Prof. Jeanne Komp
- Sophia Goussetis: *“Muse Magazine”*  
Faculty sponsor: Prof. Jeanne Komp
- Roberto Kuehn: *“Beats Café Identity Design”*  
Faculty sponsor: Prof. Jeanne Komp
- Matthew Lawson: *“Comelia Whiskey Packaging & Advertising”*  
Faculty sponsor: Prof. Jeanne Komp
- Meghan Mahoney: *“Inside Out Magazine”*  
Faculty sponsor: Prof. Jeanne Komp



1.3 Founder's Hall Room 210 Moderator: Dr. Natacha Bolufer-Laurentie

- Nicole Barycki: *"What Spanish means to me"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Natacha Bolufer-Laurentie
- Sandra Irene Manrique: *"What Spanish means to me"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Natacha Bolufer-Laurentie
- Gabriela Chauca: *"Que significa el espanol para mi (What Spanish means to me)"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Natacha Bolufer-Laurentie
- Yeredith Cruz: *"My Spanish"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Natacha Bolufer-Laurentie
- Capriana Murphy: *"Las Similitudes y Diferencias Entre la Novela y la Película del Guardián Invisible"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Natacha Bolufer-Laurentie

Session #2 1:45 - 2:45 pm

2.1 Founder's Hall Room 351 Moderator: Dr. Gifty Key

- Solimar Frias: *"One Drink Is All It Takes"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Gifty Key
- Yarlyn Hierro Mieses: *"Experiencing Homelessness in America"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Gifty Key
- Kiara Moore: *"You are Enough"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Gifty Key
- Anousha Qureshi: *"Living with Hepatitis B: Resilience in the Face of a Silent Epidemic"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Gifty Key

2.2 Founder's Hall Room 207

Moderator: Dr. Michael Corcoran

- Amenta Karluah: *"The Media's Influence on Well Being"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Michael Corcoran
- Jhadah White: *"The effectiveness of virtual and online learning"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Michael Corcoran
- Regan Hoyt: *"Representation of Same-Sex Couples in American and Japanese Animation: A Study of History, Artistic Intent, Culture, and Audience Influence"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Amy Persichetti
- Benjamin Braun, Michael Taylor, Colin Taggart, Alim Josiah and Daly Ewing: *"Financial Literacy Cabrini Instructional Presentation"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Erin McLaughlin

2.3 Founder's Hall Room 210

Moderator: Dr. Bret Shepard

- Keziah Landis, Isaiah Saddler, Cass Graff, Kelly Martin and Kate Durot: *"Woodcrest Magazine Launch"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Bret Shepard

Session #3                      3:00 - 4:00 pm

3.1 Founder's Hall Room 351

Moderator: Dr. Gifty Key

- Madison Stief: *"Mental Wealth"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Gifty Key
- Alaina Kline: *"Ending the Pink Tax"*  
Faculty sponsor: Dr. Gifty Key

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm      **Pierce Fellows Project Presentations:  
Hunger and Food Insecurity**  
*(Iadorola Center - Lecture Hall)*

- Mariana Cruz-Sanchez  
*"Language Barrier within Food Insecurity"*
- Jessica Dube and Amber Berkheimer  
*"Rebuilding to a New Normal"*
- Jamie Falgie  
*"Bucket Garden Project"*
- Abdoul Ibadakpo  
*"Food Insecurity: Benefits of Food Banks"*
- Loyal Srour  
*"A Student Journalistic Take on Food Insecurity."*
- Brianna Walsh  
*"Are You Eating That?"*
- Librada Wharton  
*"Solving Hunger in Our Community."*
- Shanise Wilkerson  
*"Are you Angry or are you Hungry?"*

**Graduate Schedule**  
**May 3, 2022**

5:15 pm

**Welcome and Introductions**

*(Dixon Center - Nerney Field House)*

**Dr. Chioma Ugochukwu, Provost & Senior Vice  
President for Academic Affairs**

**Dr. Beverly R. Bryde, Dean for School of Education**

**Dr. Michelle Yvonne Szpara, Symposium Co-chair**

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm     **Poster Presentations**

- **Abt, Emily: Educational Leadership, The School of Education**  
*“Social Emotional Instruction within an Elementary School Classroom”*  
Faculty Sponsor: **Dr. Michelle Szpara**
  
- **Basile, Danielle: Teacher Education, The School of Education**  
*“Students and IEPs - Who really gets a say?”*  
Faculty Sponsor: **Dr. Crystal Anderson**
  
- **Cummins, Susan: Educational Policy & Leadership, The School of Education**  
*“Impacts of Student Participation in Their IEP Process”*  
Faculty Sponsor: **Dr. Michelle Szpara**
  
- **Fichter, Emily: Educational Leadership, The School of Education**  
*“Implementation of the Zones of Regulation in Upper Elementary Classrooms with Students Who Have IEPs”*  
Faculty Sponsor: **Dr. Michelle Szpara**
  
- **Kaplan, Shawn: Educational Leadership, The School of Education**  
*“Examining the Impact of Teacher Belief in Neuromyths on Instructional Practice”*  
Faculty Sponsor: **Dr. Michelle Szpara**
  
- **Klein, Jakob: Educational Leadership, The School of Education**  
*“The Study of Participation in Extracurricular Activities and their Effect on Academic Performance”*  
Faculty Sponsor: **Dr. Michelle Szpara**

- Liberatore, Robert A.: Teacher Education, The School of Education  
*“Cell Phones in Middle School Classrooms - Impact on Learning and Behavior”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michelle Szpara
- Simonelli, Samantha: Educational Policy & Leadership, The School of Education  
*“Cultural Representation in 7th Grade Humanities Courses and the Impact on Minority Students”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michelle Szpara
- Wilson, Bethany: Educational Specialist, The School of Education  
*“Profile of a K-12 Teacher”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Crystal L. Anderson

6:45 pm - 7:45 pm     Roundtable Presentations

- Archie, Jennifer: Teacher Education, The School of Education  
*“Contextual Factors and Teaching Practices”*  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Crystal Anderson
- Bolden, Melissa: Educational Leadership, The School of Education  
*“The Perceptions of School-based Mental Health Counselors' Views of, What are the Impacts of Socio-Emotional Learning Supports for Students in Grades K-12, in a Well-Resourced Public School?”*  
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