

WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY



HONORS WEEK

in conjunction with

EXPLORATIONS 2017

*Research, Scholarship, and Creative Expression
at William Paterson*

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY, APRIL 4

9:00 A.M. — 2:30 P.M. UC 171 A/B

**Presentations by students in the following Honors tracks:
Cognitive Science, Business, and Biology.**

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 5

9:00 A.M. — 2:30 P.M., UC 171 A/B

**Presentations by students in the following Honors Tracks:
Social Sciences, Humanities, Clinical Psychology
and Neuropsychology,
and Performing and Literary Arts.**

THURSDAY, APRIL 6

9:00 A.M. — 1:15 P.M., UC 171 A/B

**Presentations by students in the following Honors Tracks:
Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology, Nursing,
Independent, and Music.**

ABOUT HONORS WEEK AND EXPLORATIONS 2017

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 2017! For more information please visit:
<http://www.wpunj.edu/osp/explorations/>

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Tuesday, April 4 UC 171 A/B	
9:00	Isabella Llopiz (CGSI)
9:15	Deanna Sumrein (CGSI)
9:30	Emily Moore (CGSI)
9:45	Kaylalee Garcia (CGSI)
10:00	Amineh Kaddour (CGSI)
10:15	Abigail Debel (CGSI)
10:30	Lily Fritsch (CGSI)
10:45	Jennifer Haggis (CGSI)
11:00	Katherine Stetser (CGSI)
11:15	Myumi Kalinowski (CGSI)
11:30	BREAK
11:45	Stephen Grover (BUS)
12:00	Samantha Cummings (BUS)
12:15	Nicole Napolitano (BUS)
12:30	Emmanuel Rousakis (BUS)
12:45	Kara Cressey (BUS)
1:00	Fredrik Hagbarth (BUS)
1:15	Jolanta Jedryczka (BIO)
1:30	Sylvia Wasserman (BIO)
1:45	Alexis Evangelista (BIO)
2:00	Andrew Pratt (BIO)
2:15	Julia MacDonald (BIO)

Performing & Literary Arts Track Presentations Tuesday, 4/4—7:00 p.m. Cheng Library Auditorium (order to be announced)	
Priscilla Cordero	
Ryenne Doran	
Benjamin Frank	
John Mould	
Tiffany Rodriguez	
Thomas Smith	
Jessica Super	
Laura Taylor	
McKinley Tull	
Jessica Wachuku	

*Reception follows
in the Library Friends' Lounge*

Wednesday, April 5 UC 171 A/B	
9:00	Cassandra Beck (SSH)
9:15	Jessica Ehnat (SSH)
9:30	Matthew Ruppert (SSH)
9:45	Erica Schwerthoffer (SSH)
10:00	Nalani Wilson (SSH)
10:15	Brittany Line (SSH)
10:30	BREAK
10:45	BREAK
11:00	BREAK
11:15	Karisa Foreman (SSH)
11:30	Johana Caba (SSH)
11:45	Doha Moussa (HUM)
12:00	Kelly Driscoll (HUM)
12:15	Amanda Sobotor (SSH)
12:30	Salvatore Morzetta (CP)
12:45	Corey Winkler (CP)
1:00	Savannah Crippen (CP)
1:15	Marie Sheehan (CP)
1:30	Jeannette Firriolo (PLA)
1:45	Yevgeniya Gutina (PLA)
2:00	Jessica Jones (SSH)

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

Thursday, April 6 UC 171 A/B	
9:00	Sarah Wilmote (CP)
9:15	Lynda Amici (NUR)
9:30	Christopher Cela (NUR)
9:45	Amanda Egri (NUR)
10:00	Kayleigh Orocchi (NUR)
10:15	Sebastian Piskorz (NUR)
10:30	Tyler Burd (NUR)
10:45	Samantha Monzo (NUR)
11:00	Erin Roach (NUR)
11:15	BREAK
11:30	BREAK
11:45	Kim Fryer (IND)
12:00	Nicole Fryer (IND)
12:15	Megan Baird (IND)
12:30	Alissa Lopez (IND)
12:45	Logan Stambaugh (MUS)

TRACK DIRECTORS

Barbara Andrew

Independent

Philip Cioffari

Performing and Literary Arts

Bruce Diamond

Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology

Bela Florenthal

Business

Jeffrey Kresky

Music

Neil Kressel

Social Sciences

Amy Learmonth

Cognitive Science

Jill Nocella

Nursing

John Peterman

Humanities

Joseph Spagna

Biology



LYNDA AMICI

Honors Track: Nursing

Major: Nursing

Thesis Title: *Alarm Fatigue in Adult Critical Care Settings*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



PRISCILLA CORDERO

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts

Majors: Anthropology

Thesis Title: *Silk City Views*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Maria Kromidas



MEGAN BAIRD

Honors Track: Independent

Major: Mathematics

Thesis Title: *Classroom to Internship: An Overview of the Pharmaceutical Field*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jyoti Champanerkar



KARA CRESSEY

Honors Track: Business

Major: Marketing

Thesis Title: *Marketing of Credit Cards Towards College Students*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bela Florental



CASSANDRA BECK

Honors Track: Social Sciences

Major: Economics

Thesis Title: *The Impact of Social Institutions on Income Inequality: A Review of the Literature*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Tricia Snyder



SAVANNAH CRIPPEN

Honors Track: Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology

Major: Psychology

Thesis Title: *High sensation seeking and the affects of mindfulness meditation*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bruce Diamond



TYLER BURD

Honors Track: Nursing

Major: Nursing

Thesis Title: *Concussion Awareness Among College Athletes at William Paterson University*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



SAMANTHA CUMMINGS

Honors Track: Business

Major: Accounting

Thesis Title: *Factors Contributing to Millennials' Job Satisfaction*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bela Florental



JOHANA CABA

Honors Track: Social Sciences

Major: Journalism/Public Relations

Thesis Title: *Social Media and Public Relations: The Impact that Social Media has had on the Practice of PR*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Soo-Kwang Oh



ABIGAIL DEBEL

Honors Track: Cognitive Science

Major: Communication Disorders and Sciences

Thesis Title: *Does Modality Matter? Reading Comprehension on Mobile Screens and on Paper*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth



CHRISTOPHER CELA

Honors Track: Nursing

Major: Nursing

Thesis Title: *The Role of Stigma in NICU Nurses' Perceptions of Caring for the NAS Mother Baby Dyad*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



RYANNE CATHERINE DORAN

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts

Major: Elementary Education/TSD

Thesis Title: *Sonnenblume*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



KELLY DRISCOLL

Honors Track: Humanities

Major: English (Literature)

Thesis Title: *Explorations of Gender Fluidity in Western Culture*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. John Peterman



KARISA FOREMAN

Honors Track: Social Sciences

Major: Psychology

Thesis Title: *Analysis of Self Help Internet Resources of Obsessive Compulsive Disorder*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Neil Kressel



AMANDA EGRI

Honors Track: Nursing

Major: Nursing

Thesis Title: *The Effect of Nurse Fatigue on Patient Outcomes*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



BENJAMIN FRANK

Honors Track: Literary and Performing Arts

Major: Music Jazz Studies

Thesis Title: *Musical Expression*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



JESSICA NICOLE EHNAT

Honors Track: Social Sciences

Major: Secondary Education with endorsement in Special Education

Thesis Title: *Social Psychological Aspects of Ownership and Care of Pit bull Terriers*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Neil Kressel



LILY FRITSCH

Honors Track: Cognitive Science

Major: Communication Disorders and Sciences

Thesis Title: *Should I Keep Moving?*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth



ALEXIS EVANGELISTA

Honors Track: Biology

Major: Biology

Thesis Title: *Neuroprotective Role of M-Channel after TBI? Identifying Cellular Changes with a Severe Injury*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Sonya Bierbower



KIMBERLY FRYER

Honors Track: Independent

Major: Criminal Justice

Thesis Title: *Privacy Issues with Counter Terrorism Techniques*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Michael Principe



NICOLE FRYER

Honors Track: Independent

Majors: Legal Studies & Political Science

Thesis Title: *The Right to Die*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Michael Principe



JENNETTE FIRRIOLO

Honors Track: Literary and Performing Arts

Major: Popular Music

Thesis Title: *Jennette Elizabeth: The Process of Making an EP*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



KAYLALEE GARCIA

Honors Track: Cognitive Science

Major: Elementary and Special Education K-6

Thesis Title: *Misguided by Useless Information: Investigating the Illusion of Knowledge and Confidence*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth



STEPHEN GROVER

Honors Track: Business

Major: Accounting

Thesis Title: *Millennials' Perception of the Ethics of Tax Evasion and Avoidance*

Thesis Advisors: Dr. Bela Florenthal and Dr. Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao



AMINEH KADDOUR

Honors Track: Cognitive Psychology and Neuropsychology

Major: Biology

Thesis Title: *Can You See It: Expectation Effect of Usual Clarity*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth



YEVGENIYA GUTINA

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts

Major: Legal Studies

Thesis Title: *Short Story*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



MYUMI KALINOWSKI

Honors Track: Cognitive Science

Major: Computer Science

Thesis Title: *Using Color and Music Emotion Recognition in Audio Visualization*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth



FREDRIK HAGBARTH

Honors Track: Business

Major: Finance

Thesis Title: *Difference in Work Values Across Generations: a Study of Generation Y and Baby Boomers*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bela Florenthal



BRITTANY LINE

Honors Track: Social Sciences

Major: Communication

Thesis Title: *Twitter Reactions to LGBTQ+ Themes on Television: A Content Analysis*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Soo-Kwang Oh



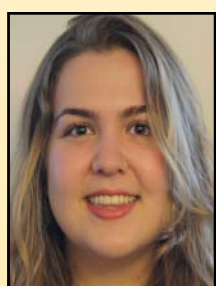
JENNIFER HAGGIS

Honors Track: Cognitive Science

Major: Psychology

Thesis Title: *Can William Paterson students take the Heat?*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth



ISABELLA LLOPIZ

Honors Track: Cognitive Science

Major: Psychology

Thesis Title: *Does Drug Use Effect False Memory Susceptibility?*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth



JOLANTA JEDRYCZKA

Honors Track: Biology

Major: Biology

Thesis Title: *Synthetic Study and Bio-activity Testing of Actinopolymorphol B Analogs*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Yalan Xing



ALISSA LIANNE LOPEZ

Honors Track: Independent

Major: Journalism/Public Relations

Thesis Title: *Nanny Pack*

Thesis Advisor: Professor Lorra Brown



JESSICA JONES

Honors Track: Social Sciences

Major: Sociology

Thesis Title: *Media Portrayal of Schizophrenia*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Neil Kressel



JULIA MACDONALD

Honors Track: Biology

Major: Biology

Thesis Title: *Determining the Presence of Federally-Listed Bat Species, *Myotis septentrionalis*, in High Mountain Park Preserve using Acoustic Monitoring*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Lance Risley



AVERY MATOWIK

Honors Track: Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology
Major: Psychology
Thesis Title: *The Influence of Neural Plasticity Relating to Phantom Limb Syndrome: The Now and the Future*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bruce Diamond



NICOLE NAPOLITANO

Honors Track: Business
Major: Accounting
Thesis Title: *The Impact of Organizational Image on an Employee's Attitude*
Thesis Advisors: Dr. Bela Florenthal and Dr. Chen-Ho (Mike) Chao



SAMANTHA MONZO

Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *Relationship between Student Athletes, Academic Success and Role Conflict*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



KAYLEIGH OROCCHI

Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *PTSD in Labor and Delivery Nurses*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



EMILY MOORE

Honors Track: Cognitive Science
Major: Communication Disorders
Thesis Title: *Does language familiarity affect how distracting overheard speech will be?*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth



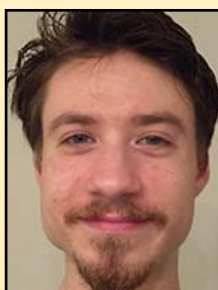
SEBASTIAN PISKORZ

Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *The Relationship between Spirituality and Mental Health in Nursing Students*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



SALVATORE MORZETTA

Honors Track: Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology
Major: Psychology
Thesis Title: *Adjustment Disorders in College Life*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bruce Diamond



ANDREW PRATT

Honors Track: Biology
Major: Biology
Thesis Title: *Assessing Physiological Variation in Response to Water Availability Among *Ammophila breviligulata* Strains*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Michael Peek



JOHN MOULD

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Major: Media Studies and Media Production
Thesis Title: *Gravy with Cheese*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



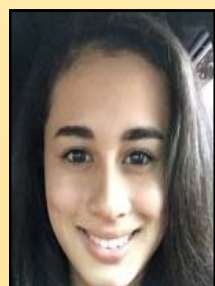
ERIN ROACH

Honors Track: Nursing
Major: Nursing
Thesis Title: *An analysis of nurses' experience performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation and their level of post code stress*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Jill Nocella



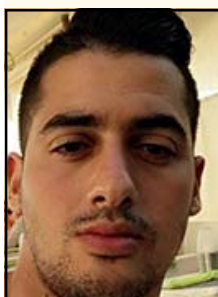
DOHA MOUSSA

Honors Track: Humanities
Major: Public Health
Thesis Title: *How do Muslim Arab women acclimate their culture with western biomedical culture?*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. John Peterman



TIFFANY RODRIGUEZ

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts
Major: Communication Disorders
Thesis Title: *Puppy Love*
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



EMMANUEL ROUSAKIS

Honors Track: Business

Major: Finance

Thesis Title: *College Students' Perception of Part-Time Jobs: Benefits and Disadvantages*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bela Florenthal



LOGAN DANIEL STAMBAUGH

Honors Track: Music

Major: Jazz Studies

Thesis Title: *Arrangement of "Love Is Here To Stay"*

Thesis Advisor: Professor Pete McGuinness



MATTHEW RUPPERT

Honors Track: Social Sciences

Major: Sociology

Thesis Title: *Correlation Between Life Purpose and Life Satisfaction*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Janet Ahn



KATHERINE STETSER

Honors Track: Cognitive Science

Major: Communication Disorders

Thesis Title: *Perceptions of College Students on People Who Stutter*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth



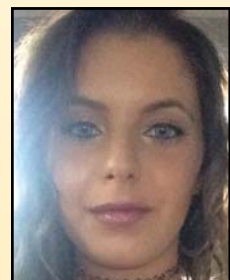
ERICA SCHWERTHOFFER

Honors Track: Social Sciences

Major: History

Thesis Title: *Angelina Grimke and the Women's Rights Movement*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Lucia McMahon



DEANNA SUMREIN

Honors Track: Cognitive Science

Major: Psychology

Thesis Title: *Differences between Nap and No Nap Preschool Children in Lexical Recall*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Learmonth



MARIE SHEEHAN

Honors Track: Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology

Major: Psychology

Thesis Title: *The positive attributes of the high sensation seeking trait*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Bruce Diamond



JESSICA SUPER

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts

Majors: Secondary Education & History

Thesis Title: *American History- -A Comic Book*

Thesis Advisors: Dr. Philip Cioffari



THOMAS SMITH

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts

Major: Communication

Thesis Title: *Thesis Film: Story Board*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



LAURA TAYLOR

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts

Major: Elementary Education TSD and 5-8

Thesis Title: *On Being...*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Philip Cioffari



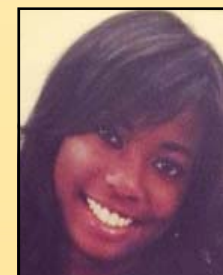
AMANDA SOBOTOR

Honors Track: Social Sciences

Major: Sociology

Thesis Title: *Influence of Social Media and Peer Pressure on Adolescent Self-Harm*

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Michele Cascardi



MCKINLEY TULL

Honors Track: Performing and Literary Arts

Major: Mathematics

Thesis Title: *Four Short Films*

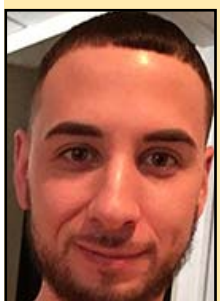
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**JESSICA WACHUKU****Honors Track:** Performing and Literary Arts**Major:** Media Studies and Media Production**Thesis Title:** WYNETECH**Thesis Advisor:** Dr. Philip Cioffari**About the Honors College
at William Paterson University**

The University Honors College is a place where academically gifted students explore new ideas and engage in intellectual and creative collaborations with experienced and dedicated members of the faculty. Honors students are offered a comprehensive educational experience that brings together academic, residential, social, and cultural experiences.

Approximately 400 students are actively participating in the Honors College in Honors sections of University Core Curriculum courses or one of the ten Honors Tracks. Each fall, about 100 new students enter the Honors College, and about 40% of those students live in the Honors Learning Community in High Mountain East, one of the newest residence halls on campus.

Students in the Honors College pursue a disciplinary major and an Honors track. The track may parallel the major, relate to the major, or be very different from the major. Although the various tracks have different requirements, each track culminates in a thesis or significant research or creative project that the student presents to the University community.

**SYLVIA WASSERMAN****Honors Track:** Biology**Major:** Biology**Thesis Title:** *Effects of Competition on the Performance of *Ammophila breviligulata* and *Carex Kobomugi****Thesis Advisor:** Dr. Michael Peek**SARAH WILMOTE****Honors Track:** Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology**Major:** Nursing**Thesis Title:** *Perceived Depression Stigma and Treatment Seeking Behavior and Attitudes among African Americans, Haitians, Dominicans, and Whites***Thesis Advisor:** Dr. Bruce Diamond**NALANI WILSON****Honors Track:** Social Sciences**Major:** Political Science**Thesis Title:** *Democracy in Peril: The Undue Influence of Money on American Politics***Thesis Advisor:** Dr. Ryan Rebe**COREY WINKLER****Honors Track:** Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology**Major:** Psychology**Thesis Title:** *False Memory Formation***Thesis Advisor:** Dr. Bruce Diamond**UNIVERSITY HONORS COLLEGE**

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