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# **Project Presentation Day**

Once a year, WPI students take time out from their studies to present to their faculty advisors and sponsors the results of their Major Qualifying Projects, or MQPs (one of two significant academic projects all WPI students complete). The MQP is a professional-level design or research experience generally completed in teams and often sponsored by corporations or other external organizations. The projects mirror the kinds of professional work students will tackle in their careers.

The project experience prepares students to lead team efforts, to communicate professionally, to meet deadlines and exceed expectations, to deal with ambiguity and unexpected difficulties, and to consider not just the technical, but the ethical and social dimensions of their work. The projects must be thoroughly documented in written reports, and virtually all teams make oral presentations of their results.

These are the presentations you will see today.

Often MQPs lead to publications in peer-reviewed journals, presentations at regional and national conferences, and patents. Some become the foundations for entrepreneurial ventures. Others become useful innovations and products for their corporate sponsors. But no matter what becomes of an MQP, the chances are it has already served as an effective capstone to a WPI education and a profound steppingstone to a successful and rewarding career and life.

### **Presentations by Department**

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# **Project Presentation Day Schedule**

# **Aerospace Engineering**

# Higgins Labs, Room 116

#### 8:30am

# Quasi-Static and Dynamic Testing of Composite Materials

Harrison Hertlein, Nathan Siegel, Jacob Wilson, Marysol Zamaniego Cuahonte Advisor: Nikhil Karanjgaokar

#### 8:50am

# Detection and Estimation of a Plume with an Unmanned Terrain Vehicle

Theresa Bender, Katherine Burris, Spencer Herrington, Daniel Weber Advisor: Michael Demetriou

#### 9:10am

# Design of an MAV for the 2019 SAE Aero Design Competition

Diana Celaj, Heather Cummings, Nicholas Cunha, Adam Frewin, Zachary Hearl, Nicholas Manos, Michael Oswald, Amelia Wilson Advisors: David Olinger, Raghvendra Cowlagi

#### 9:30am

# **Interfacial Adhesion of Polymer-Metal Composites**

Amanda Toledo Barrios Advisor: Nikhil Karanjgaokar

#### 10:00am

# Design and Integration of a High-Powered Model Rocket-I

Colin Cooper, Amanda Dings, Peter Dohn, Jacob Fennick, Kyle Foster, Eve George, Nicholas Lapierre, Ty Moquin Advisors: Nikolaos Gatsonis, Jun Yang

#### 10:20am

# Design and Integration of a High-Powered Model Rocket-II

Alexander Alvarez, Grace Gerhardt, Evan Kelly, John O'Neill, Jackson Whitehouse Advisors: Michael Demetriou, John Blandino

#### 10:40am

### Design and Integration of a High-Powered Model Rocket – III

Jean Furter, Steffany Halfrey, Mason Handy, Vanessa Legere, Nicolas Lucena Farias, Connor Murphy, Nicholas Songer, Justin Tavares Advisors: John Blandino, Jagannath Jayachandran

#### 11:00am

# Vertical Take-off and Landing Autonomous Aircraft Design

Quintin Barker, Troy Bergeron, Jacob Goldsberry, Romelle Jack, Benjamin Pasculano, Bailey Waterman, Tyler Weiss, Zachary Zolotarevsky Advisors: Raghvendra Cowlagi, David Olinger

# **Biology and Biotechnology**

# POSTER SESSION, 9:30am to 11:30am Rubin Campus Center, Odeum

# Relationship between Promensil and Estrogen Receptor Alpha in Breast Cancer Cells

Michael Aquino, Andrew Ellis, Sofia Giansiracusa Advisors: Jill Rulfs, Mike Buckholt

# Mutations in Kinesin 5A Effect on Mitochondrial Mobility in Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis and Hereditary Spastic Paraplegia

Jacqueline Garcia Advisor: Amity Manning

Sponsor: Claudia Fallini, MD, UMMS

# In vitro Efficacy of *Artemisia annua* Dried Leaf Extracts against *Candida sp.*

Claire Dickson-Burke, Olivia Gray

Advisor: Pam Weathers

# Designing T-cell Receptor Constructs Using Golden Gate Cloning

Maxwell Studley Advisor: Jill Rulfs

Sponsor: Samuel Behar, MD, UMMS

# Investigating the Role of DEAD-box Helicase VBH-1 in *C. Elegans*

Johan Girgenrath

Advisor: Elizabeth Ryder

Sponsor: Craig Mello, MD, UMMS

# **Sex Pheromone Attractive Response in** C. elegans and Related Species

Jane Lockery

Advisor: Jagan Srinivasan

# The Impact of Composting Worms on Arugula Plant Biomass and the Soil Microbiome in an **Organic Living Soil System**

Locke Ezra-Ros Bonomo

Advisors: Jill Rulfs, Mike Buckholt

### The Gut Microbiome and Cognitive Function of Dementia Patients Living in Long-Term Care **Facilities**

Allison O'Neill Advisor: Jill Rulfs

Sponsor: John Harran, MD, UMMS

### Investigating the Role of DNA Methylation in Mycobacterium smegmatis

Samantha Randall Advisor: Scarlet Shell

### Expression of the Mycobacterial Housekeeping Sigma Factor sigA Is Affected by Sequences in Its 5' UTR and Coding Aequence

Tien Nguyen

Advisor: Scarlet Shell

## Nanogold Labeling Reveals a Conformational Change in the Exocyst Complex

Alexander Czuchra Advisor: Luis Vidali

Sponsor: Mary Munson, UMMS

### Investigating the Impact of Fragile X Syndrome on Stress Granule Formation

Brianna Burke, Renee Leclaire, Lindsey Merrill,

Solimar Ramis De Ayreflor Reyes

Advisor: Natalie Farny

### Granulysin in Cytotoxic CD8 T-Cells

Edith Sawyer

Advisor: Lou Roberts

Sponsor: Samuel Behar, MD, UMMS

### Transcriptional Regulation of Non-Coding RNAs by Retinoblastoma **Tumor Suppressor Protein**

Hammad Sadiq

Advisor: Amity Manning

# Laterally Grafted Leaves as Perfusable Scaffolds for Human Cell Culture

Yueqing Wang

Advisor: Pamela Weathers

### Using Beta Endorphin as an Opiod Addiction Model in C. elegans

Michael Savoie, Bailey Sweet Advisor: Jagan Srinivasan

### Lung Levels of Neutrophil-Related Chemokines Do Not Correlate with M. tb Levels in 8 Mouse **Strains**

Emily McGlone

Advisor: Dave Adams

Sponsor: Gillian Beamer, Cummings School of

Veterinary Medicine-Tufts University

### Effects of Promensil on T47D Breast Cancer Cells in Regard to Apoptosis, the Cell Cycle, and Estrogen Receptor-a

Daniel Crosby, Madeline Manfra-Levitt,

James Veliz

Advisors: Jill Rulfs, Mike Buckholt

#### **Urban Rodents and Influenza**

Joseph Evans, Matthew Araujo

Advisor: Jill Rulfs

Sponsor: Jonathan Runstadler, Cummings School

of Veterinary Medicine-Tufts University

#### Remote Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment for Alcohol

Brianna Courteau Advisor: Jill Rulfs

Sponsor: Edwin Boudreaux, UMMS

# Whip-Poor-Will Ecology: Arthropod Abundance in Bolton Flats Wildlife

Management Area

Elena Stratis, Elizabeth Walkes Advisor: Marja Bakermans

#### **Investigating A4 Bacteriophage DNA Primase**

Daniel Champlin, Eoin O'Connell,

Jennifer Payano

Advisors: Elizabeth Ryder, JoAnn Whitefleet-Smith

### High Throughput Screening in Caenorhabditis elegans

Akshave Amish Shah

Advisor: Elizabeth Ryder

# Sponsor: Marian Walhout, UMMS

Pubmed AuthorMap: A Study of Research Collaboration in the Life Science Fields

Amanda Moulaison, Haylea Northcott Advisors: Dimitry Korkin, Elizabeth Ryder

Sponsor: Amir Mitchell, UMMS

# Correlate Analyses for Acutely Infected HIV **Progressors and Controllers**

Kylie Dickinson

Advisor: Elizabeth Ryder Sponsor: The Ragon Institute

# Phylogenetic Analysis of MyoB in

Physcomitrella patens Jordan Flores Hollands Advisor: Luis Vidali

#### **Low-Temperature Tissue Preservation**

Kristen Dettloff, Alicia Howell-Munson, John Schwamb, Alessandra Torres Advisors: Elizabeth Ryder, Marsha Rolle, Destin Heilman (CBC)

# **Biomedical Engineering**

# SESSION 1 Salisbury Labs, Room 115 (Kinnicutt)

#### 9:10am

# Automated High Throughput Linear Actuator for Engineered Muscle Cells

Benjamin Chaffee (ME), Thomas DiPersio (ME), Katherine Kowalczyk, Victoria Velashea Advisor: Kristen Billiar

#### 9:30am

#### Preventative Wrestler Headgear

Catherine Matyas, Marissa Pereira Advisor: Tiffiny Butler

#### 9:50am

### **Circulating Cancer Cell Collection Device**

Kelly Borden, Sydney Hurley, Rachel Peterson Advisor: Jeannine Coburn

#### 10:20am

# Leef Jerky: A Sustainable Meat Product for a Better Future

Fatin Alkhaledi, Brian Moore, Alex Rebello, Daniel Sochacki Advisor: Glenn Gaudette

#### 10:40am

#### Ultrasound for Knee Osteoarthritis Screening: A Panoramic Reconstruction of the Knee Joint

Rosanna Heidt, Olivia Leavitt, Shion Matsumoto Advisor: Karen Troy

# SESSION II Salisbury Labs, Room 104

#### 9:10am

#### Wireless ECG and Pulse Oximeter Sensor

Victoria Crowley, Stephanie Huang (ECE), Kiriaki Rajotte (ECE), William Wartman (ECE) Advisors: Yitzhak Mendelson, Edward Clancy (ECE)

#### 9:30am

# Design of a Biomimetic Mechanical Stimulator for Engineered Myocardium

Daniela Cerkanowicz, MacKenzie Conlen, Shahnaz Ghahremani, Aaron Rosenthal Advisor: George Pins

#### 9:50am

### Protein Releasing Microspheres for an In Vitro Intimal Hyperplasia Model

Mateo Frare, Joshua Manning, Teniola Oguntolu, Arth Sharma Advisors: Marsha Rolle, Catherine Whittington

#### 10:20am

# Development of a Microscope Stage BioStretch Device for Mechanobiology

Joshua Boynton, Alexander Cruz, Megan Hendrie, Elizabeth Quevillon Advisor: Kristen Billiar

#### 10:40am

# Warm Skin Preparation Applicators for Reduced Patient Discomfort

Alicia Costi, Ravneet Kaur, Emily Kolaya, Kalyn Ricciuti Advisors: Jeannine Coburn, Sarwat Hussain (UMMS)

# SESSION III Salisbury Labs, Room 105

#### 9:10am

# Analysis of Agents for Tissue Cryopreservation

Kristen Dettloff, Alicia Howell (BCB), John Schwamb, Alessandra Torres (CBC) Advisors: Marsha Rolle, Destin Heilman (CBC), Elizabeth Ryder (BCB)

#### 9:30am

### Design of a Standardized in vitro Model of Skeletal Muscle Regeneration for Implantable Microthread Scaffolds

Erin Heinle, Emily Morra, Emily Mossman, Alyssa Paul Advisors: George Pins, Catherine Whittington

#### 9:50am

### Design of a Wearable Sensor System for Prevention of Fatigue-Induced Injuries in Baseball Pitching

Julia Dunn, Lauren Guertin, Madison Michaud Advisor: Karen Troy

#### 10:20am

### Design and Prototyping a Compressive **CPR** Assistive Device

Benjamin Abram, Eric Chiem (ME), Zoey Foley, John Ringuette Advisor: John Sullivan (ME)

#### 10:40am

#### Image Guided TUR

Graysen DeLuca (ME), Alexander Kuros, Jameson Moore

Advisors: Songbai Ji, Sarwat Hussain (UMass)

#### 11:00am

#### **Tracking Ultrasound Probe Positions**

Franck Coly, Justin Korn,

Angelica Pollard-Knight, Jada Plummer

Advisors: Kwonmoo Lee, Khashayar Rafatzand (UMMS)

### **Business**

# **POSTER SESSION, 8:30am to Noon** Washburn Shops, Room 229

### A Meta-Analysis on Driver Safety and Cannabis Impairment

Wesley Fischer, Nathaniel Lambert, Robert Rosen Advisors: Dimitrios Koutmos, Jianyu Liang (ME), Buddika Peiris (MA)

#### **BNP Paribas: Symphony Chatbot**

Yiyi Chen, Matthew Nicholson, Yaofeng Wang Advisors: Kevin Sweeney, Michael Ciaraldi (CS),

Renata Konrad Sponsor: BNP Paribas

# Compostable Tableware

Jessica Hanley, Ryan Herrmann, Tess Hudak, Rose Lewis, Peter Ross Advisors: Sarah Wodin-Schwartz (ME),

Walter Towner

# Creating a Defect Reporting and **Quality Reconciliation System**

Cassandra Salafia

Advisors: Walter Towner,

Torbjorn Bergstrom (ME), Helen Vassallo

### Design and Analysis of Packaging Methods at PepsiCo Frito-Lay

David Bovich, Lillian Olsen, Nathan Pietrowicz, Benjamin Seitz

Advisors: Walter Towner,

Torbjorn Bergstrom (ME), Helen Vassallo

Sponsor: PepsiCo Frito-Lay

#### Designing a Sustainable, Long-term Revenue Model for Turn Back Time

Marc Printz

Advisor: Michael Elmes Sponsor: Turn Back Time

#### Effects of Navigation Design in **Clinical Decision Aid**

Andrew Aberdale

Advisors: Bengisu Tulu, Soussan Djamasbi Sponsor: UMass Memorial Medical Center

### **Enhancing the Candidate Recruitment and Application Experience at Pratt and Whitney**

Erik Fyrer, Elizabeth Jones, Huaxin Yang

Advisor: Eleanor Loiacono Sponsor: Pratt & Whitney

### **Expanding Operations for Battery Steele** Brewing

Carrie Pozaic, Cassidy Sequin, Kathleen Sheehy

Advisors: Sharon Johnson, Stephen Kmiotek (CM)

Sponsor: Battery Steele Brewing

# Implementing a Culture of Philanthropy at WPI

Akaash Claypool Advisor: Francis Hoy

Sponsor: WPI Office of Lifetime Engagement

#### Improvement of Crew Deployment Procedure

**Daniel Suitor** 

Advisor: Joseph Sarkis Sponsor: SavATree

### Improving Refugee Resettlement in the US **Through Analytics**

Roberto Esquivel, Toni Joy,

Jean Philippe Miralda, Jenna Vandervort

Advisor: Andrew Trapp

Sponsor: HIAS

# Improving U.S. Foster Care Service Allocation: Predicting and Minimizing Days in Care among Children Whose Caretakers Suffer from

**Substance Abuse** 

Benjamin Diefendorf, Riley Doherty, Ryan Tropeano, Kameron Yagoobi

Advisors: Andrew Trapp, Emily Douglas (SSPS)

# **Integrated Supply Chain and Inventory** Management System at Raytheon

Holly Cadran

Advisors: Walter Towner, Michael Ginzberg

Sponsor: Raytheon

# Manufacturing System Design for Low-Income Panelized Housing Market

Omran Alomran, Danielle Kennon

Advisors: Walter Towner,

Torbjorn Bergstrom (ME), Helen Vassallo

Sponsor: DEXTrust Industries

# Marketing Production and Financial Analysis of FDCA

Chang Wu

Advisors: Walter Towner, Helen Vassallo

#### **Novel Marketing Strategy in Emerging Industry**

Chase Flibbert

Advisors: Walter Towner, Shari Worthington

Sponsor: Anchor Labs

### Opportunity in Knowledge Work Environments: A Case Study of UPS IE

Zachary Rellstab Advisor: Joe Zhu Sponsor: UPS

### Preventing Burnout in Healthcare Settings Using Mobile Technology

Pawan Dodani, Meghan Flynn, Tasharah Person, Jerome Santos

Advisors: Bengisu Tulu, Nima Kordzadeh

Sponsor: Reliant Medical Group

# Process Improvement and Lean Implementation at Saint-Gobain

Shreeja Bhattacharjee, Nicol Garcia, Conrad Mera, Hong Chon Ng Fang,

Trung Tran Trong

Advisors: Sharon Johnson, Robert Daniello (ME)

Sponsor: Saint-Gobain Norton Abrasives

#### **Process Improvement at Source International**

Waleria Duarte, Nicholas Fontaine, Veronica Hartnett, Joseph Tomaino Advisors: Walter Towner, Helen Vassallo

Sponsor: Source International

#### Process Improvement at Stacy's Pita Chips

Samuel Bacchiocchi, Daniela Baez, Michael Brooks, Nicholas Lewis, Miguel Vargas Advisors: Walter Towner, Helen Vassallo Sponsor: Stacy's Pita Chip Company

# Rapscallion Brewery: Canning System Cost Analysis

Casey Hunt, Connor Murphy, Jaclyn Panneton, Alexandra Ward

Advisor: Joe Zhu

Sponsor: Rapscallion Brewery

# Supplier Onboarding and Vendor Digital Identity for State Street Corporation Global Services' Procurement Operation

Mikala Dunbar, Lisandra Lao

Advisors: Kevin Sweeney, Marcel Blais (MA),

Stephan Sturm (MA)

Sponsor: State Street Global Services

#### **Supply Chain Disasters and Stock Prices**

Brian Amado, Jose Sorto Advisor: Dimitrios Koutmos

# Visual Management Implementation at Primetals Technologies

Alexandra Barber, Hein Htet Hlyan, Panuwat Kongpornjaras, Adam Maier, Passavich Nalamlieng, Solomon Ortega Advisors: Renata Konrad, Walter Towner,

Helen Vassallo

Sponsor: Primetals Technologies

#### WPI Combined Heat and Power Feasibility

Rosie McCarthy, Daly Place, Charles Steele Advisors: Sharon Johnson, Brian Savilonis (ME)

Sponsor: WPI Facilities Department

# **Chemical Engineering**

# POSTER SESSION, 8am to Noon Salisbury Labs, Room 402

# The Acid Catalyzed Polycondensation of Furfuryl Alcohol

Katherine Charla, Christopher Cyr, Sarah McKeage, Kelly Vodola Advisor: Stephen Kmiotek

### Taxus Cell Culture to Delivery System: A Novel Approach to Administer Paclitaxel

Dasia Aldarondo, Donald Dione, Adele Werner Advisors: Susan Roberts, Jeannine Coburn (BME)

#### Carbon Quantum Dot Solar Cells

Lucas Gagne, Xandria Korn, Alexander Rockcress Advisors: Michael Timko, Pratap Rao (ME)

### Determining the Effect of Ultrasonic Pretreatment on Anaerobic Digestion of Barley Bagasse

Kerry Muenchow Advisor: Michael Timko

### Second Generation Ethanol Production Using Subcritical Water Hydrolysis on Sugarcane Bagasse and Straw

Kyle Hanlon, Marco Interlandi (CHE & PH)

Advisors: Michael Timko, Germano Iannacchione (PH)

#### **Ocean Spray Craisins**

Angela Calvi, John Kahler, James O'Connor, Robert Papp, Joshua Shukan

Advisors: Stephen Kmiotek, Elizabeth Stewart, Patricia Stapleton (SS),

Sarah Wodin-Schwartz (ME)

# Optimization of the Filtration Method for Yellow Encapsulated Pigment Dispersion

Nikki Loiseau, Lauren Souza

Advisors: Stephen Kmiotek, Elizabeth Stewart

### **Methods for Modeling Polarons**

Thang Duc Pham Advisor: Aaron Deskins

### **Hydrothermal Liquefaction of Food Waste**

Daniela Fraga, Carla Romo Advisor: Michael Timko

#### Design of a Standardized Brew

Michael Ambrose, Marco Gomez Advisor: Stephen Kmiotek

# **Photoelectrode Water Decontamination**

Salvador Alvarado, Ryan Choate, Alan Phung, Matthew Scanlon Advisor: Pratap Rao (ME)

#### Melt Processing of Bil3Cells

Joshua Usiskin

Advisor: Pratap Rao (ME)

# Light Activation of Xanthrophyllomyces dendrorhous Metabolites

Celeste Marsan Advisor: Eric Young

# Modification of Back-Surface Contacts to Antimony Sulfide Active Layers Using Carrier-Selective Thionated Perylene Derivatives for Improved Photovoltaic Performance

Curtis Doiron

Advisor: Ronald Grimm (CBC)

#### Two-Stage Anaerobic Digestion of Orange Peels

Alexis Zoffreo

Advisor: Michael Timko

#### Low Conversion Ethanol Dehydration

Kyle Werra

Advisor: Michael Timko

# Not Presenting Due to Confidentiality or Presenting for Their Sponsors

# Investigating and Mitigating the Capacity Constraints of AbbVie's Ultrapure Water System

Ashley Blanchard, Dominique O'Halloran, Lawrence Valeros, Olivia Verdone

Advisor: Stephen Kmiotek

### Rare Earth Elements and Their Behavior During Water Treatment in Nancy, France

Matthew Biondi, David Lech Advisor: Stephen Kmiotek

# **Purgatory Beer Co.'s Fiero Coconut Rum Porter: Grain Investigation**

Josie Bradshaw, Marissa Leone Advisor: Stephen Kmiotek

### Investigation of the Effects of Oxygen and Other Considerations on the Shelf-Life of Craft Beer

Joseph Bosco, Jacob Pickett, Zayla Schaeffer, Samantha Smith Advisor: Stephen Kmiotek

# A Chemical Analysis of Flavor Differences in Porter

Joseph Crognale, Tyler Donovan, Shane O'Dell Advisor: Stephen Kmiotek

#### **Kinetics of Low Conversion of Ethanol**

Kyle Anthony Werra Advisor: Michael Timko

#### **Char for Water Purification**

Josue Canales

Advisor: Michael Timko

#### **Beer: The Key to Hoppiness**

John Bauer, Caroline Flynn, Michelle Gencorelli, Kelly Martin, Hendrick Suwirjo

Advisor: Stephen Kmiotek

# **Investigation of Yeast Selection and Pitching Rate for the Fiero Coconut Rum Porter**

McKenna Dunn, Keely Heyer, Matthew Milliken, Taylor Thompson

Advisor: Stephen Kmiotek

#### **Anti-Migration Biliary Stent**

Mary Davis, Jennifer Mague,

Stephanie Smieszek, Melissa Wojnowski

Advisors: Stephen Kmiotek, Zoe Reidinger (BME)

#### **Apple Yeast Investigation**

Alden Graham Advisor: Eric Young

### Investigation of Gas Transport Phenomena in Gas Diffusion Layers of Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel Cells

Laura Auerbach, Deanna Poirier Advisor: Stephen Kmiotek

# Presenting in Department Other Than Chemical Engineering

Designing a Total Organic Fluorine Test Using NMR Analysis: Determining Concentrations of Per-ans Poly-Fluorinated Alkyl Substances (PFAS) in Water Samples

Ashley Choi, Dylan Muise, Zachary Weiland Advisors: Nikolaos Kazantzis, Stephen Kmiotek, John Bergendahl (CEE)

# **Expanding Operations for Battery Steele Brewing**

Carrie Pozaic, Cassidy Sequin, Kathleen Sheehy Advisors: Stephen Kmiotek, Sharon Johnson (IE)

# Controlling Bil3 Crystal Orientation Using Close-Space Sublimation for Solar Cell Application

James McRae, Emily Molstad, Risbel Rivas, Emma Ruano Advisor: Pratap Rao (ME)

# **Chemistry and Biochemistry**

# POSTER SESSION, 9:30 to 11:30am Rubin Campus Center, Odeum

Transcription Factor Up-regulation by High-Fat Diet-Induced Fatty Liver in Mice

Arman Atoofi

Advisors: Suzanne Scarlata, Joae Wu (UMMHC)

# Phosphorylation of the Intracellular Loop of hZIP4 via the ERK2 and JNK2 Pathways

Aylin Padir

Advisor: Elizabeth Bafaro

# In vitro Efficacy of *Artemisia annua* Dried Leaf Extracts Against *Candida sp.*

Claire Dickson-Burke, Olivia Gray Advisors: Pamela Weathers, Arne Gericke

**Exploration of the Ability to Use MOFs in Chromatography** 

Caroline Warchol

Advisor: John MacDonald

# Expansion of the Cytochrome P450 Inhibition Assay

**Emily Leclerc** 

Advisor: Destin Heilman Sponsor: Sanofi Genzyme

### Synthesis and Exploration of Tetra-Substituted Porphyrins for Use in a Single-Molecule Organic Solar Cell

Emma Travassos

Advisor: Ronald Grimm

# **Evaluating Sunscreen Actives and Their Derivatives as Potential Sensitizers in DSSC**

Shaun McCoy, Erika Stark Advisor: Drew Brodeur

# Interactions Between Phospholipase $C\beta$ and Cyclin-dependent Kinase 18 Contribute to the Neuropathogenesis of Alzheimer's Disease

Kate Romero

Advisor: Suzanne Scarlata

# Mapping the Domain Structure of Ribonuclease E in *Mycobacterium smegmatis*

Oscar Lee

Advisors: Scarlet Shell (BBT) and José Argüello

### Analysis of Type 1 Diabetes through the I-Ag7 MHC Class II Molecule in the Non-Obese Diabetic Mouse Model

Sarah Payne

Advisor: Destin Heilman

Sponsor: UMMS

# Structural and Spatial Regulation of Arl8:MyosinXI Interactions in *Physcomitrella* Polarized Tip Growth

Stephen Foley

Advisors: Mary Munson, Luis Vidali (BBT) Sponsor: National Science Foundation

# IQGAP1 Scaffolds EGFR Interactions with Downstream Kinases

Samantha Lindberg

Advisors: Siddartha Yerramilli, Arne Gericke

### **Encapsulation of Lidocaine into Zein Nanofibers**

Xuejun Wang

Aucjuii Waiig

Advisor: Arne Gericke

Sponsor: Zurich University of Applied Sciences

#### **Autoimmune Antibodies in Multiple Sclerosis**

Erica Davis

Advisor: Destin Heilman

Sponsor: Rachel Gerstein (UMMS)

# **Examining Novel Combination Therapies for Pancreatic Cancer Treatment**

Michelle Kerns

Advisors: Carissa Olsen and Brian Lewis (UMMS)

Sponsor: UMass Medical School

#### **Low-Temperature Tissue Preservation**

Kristen Dettloff, Alicia Howell-Munson, John Schwamb, Alessandra Torres

Advisors: Destin Heilman, Marsha Rolle (BME),

Elizabeth Ryder (BBT)

Modification of Back-Surface Contacts to Antimony Sulfide Active Layers Using Carrier-Selective Thionated Perylene Derivatives for Improved Photovoltaic Performance

Curtis Doiron Advisor: Ron Grimm

# Civil and Environmental Engineering

### POSTER SESSIONS, 1:15 to 3:30pm

# Kaven Hall, 1st Floor Hallway

#### 53 Wachusett Street Design

John Bonina, Matthew Rabasco, James Rios Advisor: Leonard Albano

# A Construction Project Management Analysis of Foisie Innovation Studio

Thomas McCarthy, Anis Medjahed, Alexander Palermo

Advisor: Guillermo Salazar

### Acid Rock Drainage/Metal Leaching at Cooledge Brook: Feasibility of Alternative Remedial and Treatment Approaches

Jessica Locke, Rachel Stickles Advisor: John Bergendahl

Sponsor: Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP)

#### **Advanced Fire-Resistant Cementitious Material**

Katherine Baker Advisor: Nima Rahbar

# An Analysis of Water Quality Issues in Charlton, Mass., and Recommendations for Management and Remediation of Surface Water Bodies

Katelyn Burke, Morgan DeAngelis,

Shannon Ring

Advisor: Jeanine Dudle

Sponsor: Charlton Conservation Commission

# Assessing and Reducing the Impacts of Flooding on Transportation in the City of Chelsea, Massachusetts

Megan Concannon, Austin Fabbo,

Francesca Ferrero, Luke Fronhofer, Sarah Sanchez Advisors: Paul Mathisen, Mingjiang Tao

Sponsor: City of Chelsea

# Consideration of an Exterior Water Spray System for the Protection of Residential Structures from the Impingement of Firebrands During a Wildfire Event

Shannon Alvarez, Mitchell Pastizzo (ME) Advisors: Milosh Puchovsky (FPE), Albert Simeoni (FPE)

# Improving Biosolids Drying with Ultrasonic Technology

Carley Dykstra, Remington Gaetjens Advisor: John Bergendahl

#### Park Avenue Redesign

Peter Carosa, Colin Claus, Kimberly Guthrie Advisors: Leonard Albano, Suzanne LePage

Sponsor: Stantec Consulting

## Structural Improvement Design for Northern Strand Community Trail Bridge Over Saugus River

Sean Burke, Marlies de Jong, Benjamin Leveilee Advisors: Leonard Albano, Suzanne LePage Sponsor: Stantec Consulting Services

# Pedestrian Bridge in Institute Park Using Sandwich Structured Composite

Alisa daSilva, Zebadiah Yap-Chung Advisor: Leonard Albano

# Pavement Management Applications in Central Massachusetts

Luca Cerasani, Sam Malafronte, Connor Sakowich

Advisor: Suzanne LePage

Sponsors: Rutland, Mass. and Woodlands Village

#### **Kaven Hall, 2nd Floor Hallway**

# PFAS Characterization and Quantitation Using NMR

Ashley Choi (CHE), Dylan Muise (CHE), Zachary Weiland (CHE) Advisors: John Bergendahl, Nikoloas Kazantzis

(CHE), Stephen Kmiotek (CHE)

### **Redesign of Salisbury Estates**

Zachary Abbott, Mark DellaCroce, Dylan Felty, Tyler Kornacki Advisor: Leonard Albano

# Stormwater Management and Site Redevelopment of Memorial Beach

Emily Cafarelli, Joseph Genga, Davianna Vasconcelos

Advisor: Suzanne LePage

Sponsor: Town of Webster, Mass.

#### **Sustainable Building Materials**

Peter Aliogo (CE/ME), Alexander Avakian (ME), Talon Boie (ME), Chisom Okafor (ME),

Daniel Venkitachalam (ME)

Advisors: Aaron Sakulich, Wole Soboyejo (ME)

# Understanding the Effects of Moisture on Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA)

Austen Crawford Advisor: Rajib Mallick

### Universidad Tecnológica de Panamá: Baseline Sustainability Study and Water Management Systems

Abigail Ismail (CE/IGS), Jason Morgan,

Sabrina Napoli, Ana Restrepo

Advisors: Tahar El-Korchi, Aaron Sakulich Sponsors: Universidad Tecnológica de Panamá

# Wind Load Design of a Triangular Shaped Building Using Finite Element Analysis

Khant Win Htet

Advisor: Leonard Albano

### WPI Gateway II Photonics Lab Renovation: Design and Construction Process Analysis Using 5-D Building Information Modeling (BIM)

James Curtin, Constantine Galanis, Shea Mooney Advisor: Guillermo Salazar

# WPI Replacement to Kaven Hall: Structural Design

Laurence Cafaro, Nicholas Day, James Loring,

Eric Schroeder Advisor: Leonard Albano

# Denitrification using Cyanobacterial-Algal Mats with Sodium Bicarbonate

Elisha Musgraves

Advisors: John Bergendahl, Isa Bar-On (ME)

### Quantifying the Pollutant Removal Effectiveness of Best Management Practices in Urban Watersheds

Lucas Acaba, Virginia Adams, Stephen Balcewicz, Keeghan O'Leary, Kimberly Stanway

Advisors: Paul Mathisen, Harold Walker

Sponsor: Nitsch Engineering

# Rare Earth Elements and their Behavior During Water Treatment in Nancy, France

Matthew Biondi

Advisors: Stephen Kmiotek, Marie-Noelle Pons

Sponsor: ENISC

#### Kaven Hall, Room 204

### Solar Decathalon Africa: Mechanical Design

Edward Andrews, Ermina Damlamayan (CE/ME), Nathan Rogers

Advisors: Tahar El-Korchi, Steven Van Dessel

#### Structural Design for Oculus: Solar Decathalon Africa 2019

Sara Cardona, Mary Sheehan (CE/FPE), Alana Sher

Advisors: Tahar El-Korchi, Steven Van Dessel

### Solar Decathalon Africa: Building Envelope Design

Anqi (Angel) Cao, Julia Karg, Alyssa Konsko Advisors: Tahar El-Korchi, Steven Van Dessel

# Integration of Food, Energy, and Water Systems in Affordable Housing

Nicole Collucci, Yasmeen Logan, Shealyn Musumeci, Christina Skavicus

Advisors: Leonard Albano, Soroush Farzin-Moghadam

Sponsor: Worcester Common Ground

### Resurgence Tower eVolo Skyscraper Competition

Michael Brady, Antoine Harris, Emily Mowatt, Caitlyn Peterson Advisors: Leonard Albano, Soroush Farzin-Moghadam

# **Computer Science**

# POSTER SESSION, 10:00am to Noon Fuller Labs, 3rd Floor Hallway and Classrooms

#### Diagnosing Robotic Swarms (Dr. Swarm)

Josiah Boucher, Jerry Brown, Erika Snow, Alexandra Wheeler Advisors: Carlo Pinciroli, Lane Harrison

#### Fraud Detection with ML

Fabio Borges, Adam Camilli, Alazar Genene, James Kenney, Lucas Sacherer

Advisor: Elke Rundensteiner Sponsor: ACI Worldwide

### Vocaodoru—Rhythm Gaming and Artificial Cinematography in Virtual Reality

David Giangrave, Aidan O'Keefe Advisors: Jennifer deWinter (IMGD),

Gillian Smith

#### Deep Learning for Data Privacy Classification

Griffin Bishop, Leo Grande, Sam Pridotkas, Harry Sadoyan Advisors: Randy Paffenroth (MA),

Stephan Sturm (MA) Sponsor: Aristo Consulting Project Center: Zurich

#### **Robot Tour Guide**

Henry Dunphy, Zoraver Kang, William Mosby

Advisors: Greg Fischer, Jing Xiao

Sponsor: AVA Robotics

#### **Bookstand**

Stephen Andrews, John Bieber, Ted Bieber Advisors: Michael Ciaraldi, Joshua Cuneo

# Gojin: The Five Gods, A Location-Based Mobile Game for Tourism

Natalie Bloniarz, Daniel Chao, Kailun Liu

Advisor: Gillian Smith

Sponsor: Ritsumeikan University

Project Center: Japan

#### Yokai no Kogeki

Jason Abel, Adam Moran, Will Suriner

Advisor: Gillian Smith

Sponsor: Osaka University, Takemura Labs

Project Center: Japan

#### **Machine Learning for Mental Health Detection**

Jerry Assan, Maurice Flannery, Yufei Gao, Adonay Resom, Yuxin Wu

Advisor: Elke Rundensteiner

#### Ben-tomo!

Sean Briggs, David Tang, Jimmy Tran Advisors: Jennifer DeWinter (IMGD), Gillian Smith

Project Center: Osaka, Japan

#### Deep Learning Method for Social Networks

James Corse, Manuel Gonsalves, Daniel McKay

Advisor: Xiangnan Kong

# Massachusetts Sober Housing Mobile Application

Jack Charbonneau, Alex Hard, Kyle Savell,

Tom White, Joan Wong Advisor: Wilson Wong

Sponsor: MA Alliance for Sober Housing

#### First-Year Hub

Anthony Gringeri, Liana Nguyen, Amanda Pennie, Sylvia van der Weide Advisors: Joseph Beck, Robert Traver (UGS)

#### Washburn Shops Lab Management System

Sam Baumgarten

Advisor: Michael Ciaraldi

#### **LiDAR Collision Detection**

Krysta Murdy

Advisors: Hugh Lauer, Alexander Wyglinski (ECE)

# Song Recommendation for Automatic Playlist Continuation

Quinn Averill, Jackson Baker, Samuel Coache, Steven McAteer

Advisors: Xiangnan Kong, Kyumin Lee

# **Building a Task Blacklist for Online Social Systems**

Trang Ha, Quyen Hoang Advisor: Kyumin Lee

# Influence of End User Activity on Firewalling Decisions

Ryan Wittenberg

Advisors: Lane Harrison, Craig Shue

# Detonicon - A Networked Game Utilizing AI to Study the Effects of Latency Compensation

Hung Hong, Antony Qin Advisor: Mark Claypool

#### Coq for Formal Verification

Spyridon Antonatos, Matthew McDonald, Dylan Richardson, Joseph St. Pierre

Advisor: Dan Dougherty

# Maximizing the Effect of Redundancy on Fault Diversification Through Core Layout

Alec Kohlhoff, Kyle Scaplen

Advisors: Andrew Clark (ECE), Robert Walls

Sponsor: The MITRE Corporation

### Host-Based Traffic Engineering: Network Endpoints with the Capabilities of SDN-Enabled Switches

Jeffrey Estrada, Remy Kaldawy, Julian Lanson

Advisor: Craig Shue

# Performance of TCP BBR and CUBIC at the Network Bottleneck

Saahil Claypool Advisor: Craig Wills

# **ReVisIt: A Tool for the Passive Evaluation of Interactive Visualizations**

Madeline Burke, John Dyer, Luke Gardner

Advisor: Lane Harrison

# POSTER SESSION, 1:00 to 3:00pm Fuller Labs, 3rd Floor Hallway and Classrooms

#### HerdHealth

Adam Bettigole, Tessa Garbely, Taehyun Kim, Jessie Ying Advisor: Emmanuel Agu

#### **ArchaeoloWizards**

Evan Frost, Sam Winter Advisors: Farley Chery (IMGD), Charles Roberts, Joshua Rosenstock (IMGD)

#### Face Id in Classroom Videos

Zarni Phyo

Advisor: Jacob Whitehill

# Privacy-Preserving Annotation of Face Images through Attribute-Preserving Face Synthesis

Sola Shirai

Advisor: Jacob Whitehill

### **SNAP MQP**

Yosuke Nakamura, Jack Palmstrom Advisor: Michael Ciaraldi

#### **Smart Door Lock**

Aleksander Ibro, Augusto Wong, Mario Zyla Advisors: Michael Ciaraldi, Maqsood Mughal (ECE)

# Investigating the Tradeoffs of GPUs for Parallel Processes

Freise Jacob Advisor: Guo Tian

#### Personality AI Development

Kien Nhan, Jiuchuan Wang Advisor: Gillian Smith Project Center: Japan

# PMKS+: Migrating a Microsoft Silverlight Application to a Cross-Browser Platform

Praneeth Appikatla, Griffin Cecil, Michael Taylor, Dimitrios Tsiakmakis Advisors: David Brown,

Pradeep Radhakrishnan (ME)

# The Design and Implementation of Looping Constructs for Robots

Rachel Hahn, Ian Johnson, Benjamin Mattiuzzi

Advisor: Michael Gennert (RBE)

### **Autograder for CS2303**

Chang Liu, Tim Whitworth Advisor: Hugh Lauer

### **Neural Neural Network**

Ryan Racine, Karsten Roberts, Isaac Woods Advisors: Tian Guo, Xiangnan Kong

#### Music Info Retrieval and Pain Management

Jesse Gaulin, Andrew Nemeth, Liam Yoo Advisors: Vincent Manzo (HUA), Wilson Wong

#### **Graph-Based Sports Rankings**

Chaiwat Ekkaewnumchai, Connor McNamara, Kyle Richards, Abigail Roane Advisors: Gábor Sárközy, Craig Wills

#### **ConText FAERS Interface**

Jacob Kaplan, Petern Nolan, Logan Romero Advisor: Elke Rundensteiner

### Metric-Based Classification of Graph Vertices

Daniel Kim, John Pugmire

Advisors: Padraig O Cathain (MA), Robert Walls

# Performing Binary Classification of Contest Profitability for DraftKings

Sean Brady, Jackson Perry, Jon Venne, Saul Woolf

Advisors: Rick Brown (ECE), Randy Paffenroth (MA) Sponsor: DraftKings

### CityView+: Enhanced Urban Data Visualization

Frank Campanelli, Zhung Moo Feng, Tarek Safa

Advisor: Yanhua Li

# Autonomous Scale Car Using Computer Vision and Neural Networks

Mitchell Curbelo, Ryan Darnely, Ava Karat, Krishna Madhurkar, Dylan McKillip, Ethan Schutzman, Christian Scillitoe Advisors: Pradeep Radhakrishnan (ME, RBE),

# Designing an Authentication System for Augmented Reality Devices

Rushdi Abulhijja, Meghana Bhatia, Nikolaos Kalampalikis, Alejandro Soler Advisor: Krishna Venkatasubramanian

#### NASA RMC 2019

Anh Dao, Luis Delatorre Advisors: Michael Ciaraldi, Kenneth Stafford (ME/RBE)

Kaveh Pahlavan (ECE, CS)

# Correcting Errors and Adding Features to PMKS

Albert Beka, Mitchell Farren, Alexander Galvan, David Richardson, Zhihao Xie

Advisors: David Brown, Pradeep Radhakrishnan

### Piano-Playing Robotic Arm

Thomas Maloney, Anthony Topper Advisors: Scott Barton, Xiangnan Kong

#### **Generating Solitaire Games**

Drew Ciccarelli, Ian MacGregor, Simon Redding Advisor: George Heineman

# **Electrical and Computer Engineering**

### **Atwater Kent Labs, Room 219**

#### 10:00am

#### **Electrify Atwater Kent**

Juan Caraballo, Shannon McCormack, Jeffrey Wagner Advisor: John McNeill

#### 10:15am

#### Fall Detection and Posture Monitoring System

Yifei Jin, Syed Ayaz Naeem, Holly Shumway Advisors: Ulkuhan Guler, John McNeill

#### 10:30am

# An Arithmetic Library for Fully Homomorphic Encryption

Robert Chase, Keith Colbert, Dominic Fusco, Austin LaBastie

Advisors: William Martin (MS), Berk Sunar

#### 10:45am

# Performing Binary Classification of Contest Profitability for Draftkings

Sean Brady, Jackson Perry, Jon Venne, Saul Woolf Advisors: Donald Brown, Randy Paffenroth (MA)

Sponsor: Draftkings

#### 11:00am

# OSIMS—Online System Integrity Monitoring System

Michael Tasellari, Yuchang Zhang Advisor: Gene Bogdanov

### 11:30am

# Adversary UAV Localization with Software Defined Radio

Ian Gelman, Abdul Hassan, John Loftus

Advisor: Kaveh Pahlavan

#### 11:45am

### Comparing the Accuracy and Precision of Bluetooth Low-Energy and Ultra-Wideband Technology for In-Room Positioning

Danielle Kennon, Son Nguyen, Myo Thein

Advisor: Kaveh Pahlavan

#### 12:00pm

#### KINISI

Gabriel Entov, Lanhao Mao, Cassandra Pepicelli, Jonathan Tai, Samuel White, Cooper Wolanin Advisors: Hugh Lauer (CS), Alexander Wyglinski

#### 12:15am

# The Detection and Parametric Estimation of Fast-moving Objects for Smart Home Plate Application

Theodore MacLeod, Dominic Palermo, Michael Panicci

Advisor: Donald Brown

#### 1:00pm

### Blindsight

Aatreya Chakravarti, Alan Fernandez, Yeggi Lee Advisor: Stephen Bitar, Yitzhak Mendelson (BME)

#### 1:15pm

#### **MGH Biomedical Imaging Tools**

Ioannis Alexiou

Advisors: Sergey Makarov, William Michalson

#### 1:30pm

#### **Authentication for AR Devices**

Alejandro Soler Gayoso Advisor: Andrew Clark

### **Atwater Kent Labs, Room 233**

#### 10:00am

#### Wind Speed Surveying Device

Peter Emidy, Christopher Jarrett, Nicholas Pandolfi, Jonathan Redus Advisor: Yousef Mahmoud

#### 10:15am

#### **Smart 2-Stage Solar Microinverter**

Christian Elzey, Michael Kane, Marmik Patel, Justin Silkey, Michael Truong Advisor: Yousef Mahmoud

#### 10:30am

#### **Tidal Energy Surveying**

Swan Htet, Zheng Liang, Nicholas Nugent Advisor: Stephen Bitar, Yousef Mahmoud

### 10:45am

#### Rehabilitative Arm Exoskeleton

Eric Carkin, Parker Grant, Bryan Therrien Advisor: Stephen Bitar, Marko Popovic (RBE), Joe Stobile (ME)

#### 11:15am

# Object Manipulation and Control with a Robotic Hand

Colin Buckley, Bhon Bunnag, Apiwat Ditthapron, Rebecca Miles Advisors: Stephen Bitar, Zhi Li (ME)

#### 11:30am

### Wireless Electrocardiogram & Pulse Oximeter

Victoria Crowley, Stephanie Huang, Kiriaki Rajotte, William Wartman Advisors: Edward Clancy, Yitzhak Mendelson (BME)

#### 11:45am

### **Geolocation Using Smartphone Sensors**

Ryan Darnley, Nathaniel Peura, Justin Seeley Advisor: Edward Clancy

#### 12:00pm

# Versatile Solar-powered Charging Platform with Integral Wireless Charging Capability

Nicolas Fabbrini, John Kirwan, William Kirwan, John O'Leary Advisor: Reinhold Ludwig

### 12:15pm

#### Thin Film Solar Cell

Matthew Breidenbach, Nicole Candanedo, Abraham Cano Ventura Advisor: Maqsood Mughal

### 1:00pm

#### **AR Assisted Cooking**

Mona Elokda, Benjamin Hylak Advisors: Maqsood Mughal, Gillian Smith (CS), Erin Solovey (CS)

#### 1:15pm

#### **CERBERUS**

Kaan Emir, Hannah Olshansky Advisors: Kenneth Stafford (RBE), Alexander Wyglinski

### 1:30pm

#### **IoT Spectrum Monitoring and Localization**

Lauren Getz, Katherine Smith, William Schwartz Advisors: Stephen Bitar, Michael Ciaraldi (CS), Alexander Wyglinski

#### 1:45pm

### **Solar Sanitation Device**

John Cerce, Ryan Kent Advisor: Sergey Makarov

# Humanities and Arts Higgins House, Library

### 12:30-12:50pm: China Hub China Project Award winners

# Conceptual Redesign of Hangzhou DAC Biotech's English Website

Dominic Cascino, Paulo Chow, Jose Li, Tsuiyee Ng Advisors: Wen-Hua Du, Bob Kinicki (CS), *IQP MQP 1st Prize* 

# The Applicability of Carbon Pricing in Hong Kong

Alexandra Auteri, Kristen Chan, Pavee Phongsopa, Eda Zhou Advisors: Alexander Smith (SSPS), Gu Wang (Math) IQP MQP 2nd Prize

# An Investigation of Cultural Infrastructure in Hangzhou, China to Improve the Quality of Life in Xiasha

Lorenzo Castoldi, Jeremy Jacobs, Alexandra Miller, Caroline Murphy Advisors: Wen-Hua Du, Bob Kinicki (CS), *IQP MQP Honorable Mention* 

### A Clash of Cultures: Why Uber Failed in China

Griffin Bishop

Advisor: Jennifer Rudolph HUA Inquiry Seminar 1st Place (tie)

# The Nationalism Behind China's Space Aspirations

Samuel Goldman Advisor: Jennifer Rudolph HUA Inquiry Seminar 1st Place (tie)

#### 12:50pm

# Connecting the Dots: Exploring Social Stigma Through Theatre

Holly Gagnon

Advisor: Despoina Giapoudzi

#### 1:10pm

# Historical Assessment of the Transformation of Kibbutzim of the Southern Arava

Morgan Reisinger

Advisor: Bland Addison, Peter Hansen

#### 1:20pm

#### **Lionfish Bot 2.0**

Thomas Ralph

Advisor: Peter Hansen

#### 1:40pm

# Investigating the Social and Scientific Impact of Biology MQPs

Claire Dickson-Burke

Advisor: Patricia Stapleton (SSPS)

#### 2:00pm

#### Piano Playing Robotic Arm

Thomas Maloney, Anthony Topper Advisor: Scott Barton, Xiangnan Kong (CS)

# **Interactive Media and Game Development**

# **Fuller Labs, Lower Perreault**

#### 1:00pm

#### Reality Wizards

Evan Frost, Samuel Winter Advisors: Farley Chery, Charlie Roberts, Joshua Rosenstock

# 1:20pm

### Ellie's Spirit

Karl Rosenfeld, Laura Sawin, Abdah St. Fleur Advisors: Edward Gutierrez, Brian Moriarty, Lee Sheldon

### 1:40pm

#### World Wizards

Nathaniel Carter

Advisor: Jeffrey Kesselman

### 2:00pm

#### Ben-tomo!

Sean Briggs, David Tang, Jimmy Tran Advisors: Jennifer deWinter, Gillian Smith Sponsor: Osaka University, Japan

#### 2:20pm

### **Babies and Basilisks**

Paige Cox, Aaron Graham, Hannah Jauris, Vincent Miller, Edward Shaddock Advisors: Mark Claypool, Brian Moriarty, Ralph Sutter

#### 3:00pm

#### Bound

Leo Bunyea

Advisor: Gillian Smith

#### 3:20pm

#### Yōkai no Kōgeki

Jason Abel, Adam Moran, William Suriner Advisors: Jennifer deWinter, Gillian Smith Sponsor: Osaka University, Japan

#### 3:40pm

#### Gojin: The Five Gods

Natalie Bloniarz, Daniel Chao, Kailun Liu Advisors: Jennifer deWinter, Gillian Smith Sponsor: Ritsumeikan University, Japan

#### 4:00pm

#### **Game Engine IDE**

Bailey Sostek

Advisor: Brian Moriarty

#### 4:20pm

### **Dragonfly Latency**

Hung Hong, Antony Quin Advisor: Mark Claypool

#### 4:40pm

#### Sigurd Fafnirs-Bane

Grant Frederick

Advisor: Edward Gutierrez, Brian Moriarty

# **Mathematical Sciences**

### Higgins Labs, Room 218

#### 9:00am

# Particle Resuspension: Experiments, Modeling, and Simulation

Paula Sarrion Silvestre

Advisors: Zhongqiang Zhang, Jian Zou, David Medich (PH)

#### 9:20am

#### Quantum Walks on Graphs

Luke Candler Brown Advisor: William J. Martin

#### 9:40am

#### **Applications of Semidefinite Programming**

Caroline Johnston Advisor: William Martin

#### 10:00am

#### **Explorations of Sequence Risk**

John Cohen, Jeremy John, Jacob Steinberg Advisors: Jon Abraham, Barry Posterro

#### 10:20am

#### **Game Show Math**

Marshall Patrolia, Corey O'Malley Advisors: Jon Abraham, Barry Posterro

#### 11:00am

#### Nanoionic Particle Composite Homogenization

Sean Fraser

Advisor: Joseph Fehribach

#### 11:20am

### Performing Binary Classification of Contest Profitability for DraftKings

Sean Brady, Jackson Perry, Jonathan Venne, Saul Woolf

Advisors: Randy Paffenroth (MA/CS), Rick Brown (ECE), Jeanine Skorinko (PSY)

Sponsor: DraftKings

### 11:40pm

#### **Dimensions of Matrix Subalgebras**

Phillip Heikoop

Advisor: Padraig O Cathain

#### 12:00pm

### Metric-based Classification of Graphs

Presenters: Daniel Jaewoo Kim, John Pugmire Advisors: Padraig O Cathain, Robert Walls (CS)

## 12:20pm

### Supplier Onboarding and Vendor Digital Identity for State Street Corporation Global Services' Procurement Operation

Presenters: Mikala Dunbar, Lisandra Lao Advisors: Marcel Blais, Kevin Sweeney (BUS),

Stephan Sturm, Michael Ciaraldi (CS) Sponsor: State Street Corporation

# **Mechanical Engineering**

# POSTER SESSION: 8:30 to 11:30am Alden Memorial, Great Hall

# **Biomechanical Engineering**

Functional Analysis of an Ankle-Foot Orthosis: The Intrepid Dynamic Exoskeletal Orthosis (IDEO)

Andrew Lucy Advisor: Holly Ault

#### **Load Absorption Device for Ice Hockey Shoulder Pads**

Benjamin Aldrich, Matthew Moore, Kathryn O'Donnell, Andrea Rota Advisors: Christopher Brown, Tiffiny Butler (BME)

#### **Preventative Care Knee Exoskeleton**

Steven Franca, Ariel Goldner, Stephanie Marcucci, Matthew Schueler, Daniel Wivagg

Advisors: Loris Fichera (CS), Gregory Fischer

#### **Investigation of UCL Tears in Baseball Pitchers**

Maddie Brennan, Steven Gallagher, Benedict Kurtze, Paula Sardi

Advisors: Selcuk Guceri, Marko Popovich (PH)

#### **Soft Ankle Exosuit for Correction of Foot Drop**

Joshua Galang, Lauren Morgan-Evans,

Hannah Yeung

Advisors: Selcuk Guceri, Marko Popovic (PH)

# Impact Absorbing Wrist Guard for Snowboarders

Cole Godzinski Marc LaBahn, Hannah Modelski, Kyle Whittaker

Advisor: Fiona Levey

# Fiber Optical Tweezers for Brain Property Measurements

Li-Yang Chiang, Matthew DeBenedictis,

Qindong Zhang

Advisor: Yuxiang Liu

Sponsor: National Science Foundation

# Attachable Arm Bike for Iternative Wheelchair Propulsion

Heather Bourassa, Kylie Juarez, Erin McCann,

Zoe Schwartz, Caraline Wood Advisor: Brian Savilonis

# **Evaluating Performance Testing Procedures for Baseball Catchers' Helmets**

Sophia Gervasio, Derek Kruzan, Walter Kwiecinski, Ryan McLaughlin

Advisor: Brian Savilonis

### Design

# Assistive Guitar Plucking Device and User Interface

Daniel Farnitano, Laurel Higham, Victoria Mercouris, Benjamin Shaffer Advisors: Curtis Abel (UGS), Holly Ault

Sponsor: PAM Band

# Design and Analysis of Packaging Methods at PepsiCo Frito-Lay

David Bovich, Lillian Olsen, Nathan Pietrowicz, Benjamin Seitz

Advisors: Torbjorn Bergstrom, Walter Towner Jr. (BUS), Helen Vassallo (BUS) Sponsor: PepsiCo Frito-Lay (Anthony Stolo,

Corn Packaging Supply Chain Leader)

### **Stylus for Fine-Motor Development**

Nathan Rose, Tom Ward, Shane Whittaker

Advisor: Torbjorn Bergstrom

### Design of Multi Laser System

Matthew Lund

Advisors: Mehul Bhatia, Rudra Kafle (PH)

#### Increasing the Throughput of 3D Printers with Automated Part Removal

Muhammad Hussain, Brian King, Chris Kirven, Brian Sayers, Benjamin Secino, Baron Strasburger Advisors: Mehul Bhatia, Pradeep Radhakrishnan

#### **Edge Design for Performance**

Evan Bossio, Sophia Leitzman, Riley Lopez, Amanda Rodriguez Advisor: Christopher Brown

#### **Head Injury Prevention - Helmet**

Josh Herlands, Austin Linder, Douglas Rives

Advisor: Christopher Brown

#### Sit Ski by Axiomatic Design

Jared Grier, Austin McCalmont, David Parker, Jeffrey St. Hilaire Advisor: Christopher Brown Sponsor: Robert Neumeister

# Ski Binding Design Suspension System for Vertical Load Transmission

Madison Healey, Matthew Newell, Kendra O'Malley, Connor O'Neill Advisor: Christopher Brown

# **Correcting Errors and Adding Features to PMKS**

Mitchell Farren, Alexander Galvan, Albert Nana Beka, David Richardson, Zhihao Xie

Advisors: David Brown (CS), Pradeep Radhakrishnan

### **Developing a Device to Place Traffic Cones**

Christopher Ferreira, Holly Gagnon,

Zachary Whitmore Advisor: Eben Cobb

#### **Human Powered Recreation Vehicle**

Nolan Bell, Alexander Gallant, Michael Munroe,

Katherine Schweikert Advisor: Eben Cobb

#### **Pool Chair Lift**

Amanda Alves, David Cadilek, Daniel Corwin

Advisor: Eben Cobb

#### Redesigning the Posterior Pediatric Walker

Julia Decker, Ryan Foley, Kelly McMahon, Victoria Nassar

Advisor: Eben Cobb

#### **Retractable Traction System**

Kaitlyn DaSilva, Karen Mushrall, Martin Walwik

Advisor: Eben Cobb

#### **Recreating Steam Power at WPI**

Michael Cooke, Thomas Kouttron

Advisor: Robert Daniello

### Design and Validation of a Novel Mission Framework for the Detumbling of Rotating Space Debris Using a Tether-Net Linkage and Momentum Wheel

Joshua Desmond, Max Luu, Timothy Stump Advisors: Frank Dick (PH), Zhikun Hou, Carlo Pinciroli (CS)

# Design and Optimization of a Formula SAE Vehicle

James Chakalos, Justin Dyer, Matthew Freed, Justin Harris, James Meagher Advisors: Mustapha Fofana, John Hall,

David Planchard

# Application of VR to the Engineering Design Process

Ralph Grzybek, Gregory Pelland,

Maricella Ramirez Advisor: Cosme Furlong

Sponsor: WPI Academic & Research Computing

### Design, Realization, and Application of an Ultra-High-Speed Shock Tube for Middle-Ear Mechanics

Eli Frank, John Perkoski, Jacquelyn Roberge, Jessica Walsh

Advisor: Cosme Furlong

Sponsor: Massachusetts Eye and Ear and Harvard Medical School Jeffrey Tao Cheng, John Rosowski

# Design and Assembly of Acetone Distillation System

Chase Arsenault, Olivia Baranowski, Nicholas Batchelder, Tyler Costello

Advisor: Selçuk Guçeri

# Design & Development of an Electric-Powered Hand Truck for In-Home Use

Azita Bakhtyari, Justin Nguyen, Ayushka Shrestha, Timothy Tetreault

Advisor: Selçuk Guçeri

# Design of an Outrunner Hydrokinetic Turbine

Jillian Chu, Alexander Kim, Joseph Pagliuca

Advisor: Selçuk Guçeri

# Gyroscopic Stabilization for Uniaxial Rotational Hand Tremor

David Muse, Ian Sun, Alec Wehse Advisors: John Hall, David Planchard

#### 3D Printing Material Analysis

Sean Cody, Peter Pham, Kyle Tyler, Jianqing Zhu Advisor: Zhikun Hou

#### **Train of Four Monitoring**

Christopher Beauregard, Nicholas Bergstrom, Edward Crofts, Kyler Dillon, Anastasia Karapangou, Kinsey McNamara Advisors: Kwonmoo Lee (BME), Ahmet Sabuncu, Jeanine Skorinko (PSY)

### Design and Development of a Football Neck Support and Testing Apparatus

Zachary Bellion, Sean Gillis, Francis Lubega, Blayne Merchant, Colin Saunders

Advisor: Fiona Levey

### Design of a Shoulder Pad to Reduce the Risk of Injury in Men's Lacrosse

Elianna Buckley, Juliana Cabello, Tristin Carlton, Gabriela Hoops

Advisor: Fiona Levey

# SolFly: Solar Energy Tent Fly for Humanitarian Aid

Olivia Jones, Edward Noyes Advisor: Fiona Levey

# Realizing a Compact Neutron Beam Collimator for Neutron Radiography

Calvin Downey, Jessica Elder

Advisors: David Medich (PH), Richard Sisson

# Designing Integrated Inputs for a Soft Robotic Mechatronic Tongue

Logan Chen

Advisor: Pradeep Radhakrishnan

#### Flexible Solar Cell Test Fixture

Laura Bauer, Carl Turnquist, Alexandra Wallace Advisor: Pratap Rao

# Greenhouse Redesign for Elementary Educational Needs (GREEN)

Daniel Barra, Kathleen Nugent, Daniel Ottey, Adam Peternell, Jonathan Toomey, Sean Traynor

Advisor: Ahmet Sabuncu

Sponsor: Lisa Burris, Turn Back Time Farm

### **Harvesting Mechanical Energy**

Laura Carlson, Theresa Cloutier, Allanah Kalka-Riffel, Kishan Patel, Kevin Pawlak

Advisor: Brian Savilonis

# Small-Scale Vortex Induced Vibration Wind Energy Harvesters

Frank Ciliberto, Carly Neeld, Brooke Pierce, Ethan Shipulski Advisor: Brian Savilonis

#### **Sustainable Building Materials**

Peter Aliogo, Alexander Avakian, Talon Boie, Chisom Okafor, Daniel Venkitachalam

Advisor: Winston Soboyejo

#### Low-Profile Planar Home Speaker System

MacKenzie Hridel, Katherine Novak, Brent Reissman, Theodore Vangos, Katherine Williamson

Advisor: Joe Stabile Sponsor: Bose Corporation

# A Biodegradable Alternative to the

# Single-Use Cup

Jessica Hanley, Ryan Hermann, Tess Hudak, Rose Lewis, Peter Ross Advisors: Walter Towner (BUS), Sarah Wodin-Schwartz

### Automated Optical Inspection of MEMS Bases Cochlear Implant Hydrophones

Sarah Bachli, Libertad Escobar, Angela MacLeod, Colette Ruden Advisor: Sarah Wodin-Schwartz Sponsors: UniversitätsSpital Zurich and Cochlear, Ltd.

# Manufacturing

### 3D Printing Using a PA12/NdFeB Filament

Miles Nallen, Kyle Opiekun, Tyler Rauch

Advisor: Joseph Stabile

Sponsor: Kalenian Foundation

#### **Materials**

### Investigating the Properties of 3D-Printed Polymer-Metal Composites Containing Surface-Modified Stainless Steel Powder Reinforcement

Joseph Calnan, Andrea Claudio-Palacios, Jack Grubbs, Richard Smith Advisors: Germano Iannacchione (PH), Diana Lados

#### **Buckled Battery Structures**

Cesar Guerrero

Advisor: Jianyu Liang, Winston Soboyejo

#### Fire Helmet Redesign

William Bass, Thomas Chiudina, Max Marks

Advisor: Jianyu Liang

### Controlling Bil3 Crystal Orientation Using Close-Space Sublimation for Solar Cell Application

James McRae, Emily Molstad, Risbel Rivas, Emma Ruano Advisor: Pratap Rao

# **Austempering AISI 5160 Steel**

Jocelyn Abdallah, Abdullah Al-Shawk Advisor: Richard Sisson, Mei Yang

#### **Design Flow Electrolysis Cell**

Kyle Arnold, Glenndon McCormick

Advisor: Yan Wang

#### **High Entropy Alloys**

Arkady Gobernik, John Haddad, Connor Lemay

Advisor: Yu Zhong

Sponsor: Metal Processing Institute

# **Robotics Engineering**

#### NASA RMC 2019

Anh Dao, Luis Delatorre Advisors: Michael Ciaraldi (CS), Kenneth Stafford

#### PhleAid: Automated Phlebotomy Assistant

Gabriela Morales-Castillo, Angelina Nicolella, Carlos Pacheco, Armando Zubillaga

Advisor: Gregory Fischer

# **Soft Matter Manipulation**

Mingqi Shuai, Michelle Zhang

Advisors: Zhi Li, Marko Popovic (PH)

# **Autonomous Scale Car Using Computer Vision** and Neural Network

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#### **Thermofluids**

# Low Ambient Air Source Heat Pumps Utilizing Cascade Cycles

Stephen Barthold, Brandon Cohen, Michelle Hull, Tyler Wilson

Advisors: Robert Daniello, Christopher Scarpino

Sponsor: Trane

# Phase Change Energy Storage Implementing Recycled Materials

Kieran Bradley, Malachi Nelson, Jillian Onishi, Christopher Tillotson Advisor: Selçuk Güçeri

#### Saving Energy and Cost During Peak Periods

Geraldine Benn, Christine Flores, Alison LaBarge

Advisor: Selçuk Güçeri

### Development of an Off-Grid Solar-Powered Milk Refrigeration Solution

Brandon Abad, Michael Curtis, Kyle Havey, Peter Nash, Joseph Stapleton, Luke Xu

Advisor: Ahmet Sabuncu Sponsor: Hunt Institute

### **Atmospheric Water Generation**

Christopher Bolsinger, Spencer Ralphs

Advisor: Jamal Yagoobi

# **Physics**

#### Olin Hall, Room 107

#### 9:00am

#### **Soft Matter Manipulation**

Mingqi Shuai, Michelle Zhang (ME, RBE) Advisors: Zhi Li (ME), Marko Popovic

#### 9:15am

# Time-Energy Entangled Quantum Key Distribution Without Franson Interferometry

Ben Child

Advisor: David Medich

#### 9:30am

#### Fourier Transform Spectroscopy

Darien Gaudet, Hayden Savage Advisor: Richard Quimby

#### 9:45am

# Analysis of Am-241 Resuspension into the Atmosphere

Paula Sarrion Silvestre Advisor: David Medich

#### 10:00am

# Design, Analysis, and Testing of an Electromagnetic Booster Separation System

Justin Tavares

Advisor: David Medich

#### 10:15am

### Photoluminescence Spectroscopy of Bismuth Triiodide, a New 2D Material for Photovoltaic Applications

Alexis Buzzell, Andrew Mendizabal Advisor: Lyubov Titova

#### 10:45am

# Modeling and Characterization of Millimeterwave Photodiodes for Microwave Photonic Integrated Circuits

Erin Morissette

Advisors: Douglas Petkie, Lyubov Titova Sponsor: MIT Lincoln Laboratory

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#### 11:00am

Constructing Two Dimensional Theories of Gravity for Schwarzschild, Reissner-Nordstrom, and Non-Extremal Kerr Black Holes

Nathaniel Mione, Bryannah Voydatch

Advisors: Padmanabhan Aravind, Leo Rodriguez, Shanshan Rodriguez (Grinnell College)

#### 11:15am

Analysis of Millimeter Wave FMCW Radar System for Ranging and Sensing Applications

Jacob Bouchard

Advisor: Douglas Petkie

#### 11:30am

Second Generation Ethanol Production Using Subcritical Water Hydrolysis on Sugarcane Bagasse and Straw

Kyle Hanlon (CHE), Marco Interlandi Advisors: Germano Iannacchione, Michael Timko (CHE)

#### 11:45am

Stochastic Simulations of Far-from-Equilibrium Thermodynamics

Nicholas Mears

Advisor: Germano Iannacchione

#### 12:00pm

Adhesion Analysis of Fluorescent Nanoparticles with TIRF Microscopy

Taylor Trottier

Advisor: Nancy Burnham

# **Professional Writing**

# POSTER SESSION 11:30am to 12:30pm Higgins House, Great Hall

Analyzing Faculty and Student Perceptions of Writing in the BME Curriculum

Kelly Borden, Sydney Hurley, Rachel Peterson Advisor: Ryan Madan

Improving Safety in School Zones for Students in the Main South Neighborhood of Worcester, Massachusetts

Sarah Brown

Advisors: Joseph Cullon, Brenton Faber, Suzanne LePage (EVE)

# Evaluating the Variability of ED Visits for Intellectually and Developmentally Disabled Patients Compared to National Averages

Brianna Burke

Advisor: Brenton Faber

"Formal and Meaningless" or "Impactful": Citizen Participation in the Downtown Urban Revitalization Plan

Ryan Cudemus-Brunoli Advisor: Jennifer deWinter

The Challenges and Importance of Standard Operating Procedures in Small Businesses: A Case Study with Purgatory Beer Company

Caroline Flynn Advisor: Ryan Madan

Potential Diagnostic Markers Associated with Parkinson's Disease

Stephen Foley

Advisor: Brenton Faber

Breast Cancer Co-morbidities in Rural Demographics

Madeline Manfra-Levitt Advisor: Brenton Faber

An Examination of the Technical Writing Genre Through a 3D Printer

Manual Case Study

Miles Nallen

Advisors: Kevin Lewis, Ryan Madan

Public Perceptions of Second Generation Biofuels

Carla Romo

Advisor: Lorraine Higgins

**Identity Formation in Paramedic Education** 

Maxwell Studley

Advisor: Brenton Faber

# **Robotics Engineering**

### Foisie Innovation Studio, 2nd Floor

# 8:15am

**Engineered Skeletal Muscle** 

Michael Antonelli, Lyra Huynh, Deborah Kalambayi, Lara Schmoyer,

Nicholas Seagrave

Advisors: Raymond Page (BME), Marko Popovic

#### 8:30am

Wolfgang: An Autonomous Mobile Robot for Outdoor Navigation

Aidan Cookson, Mark Landergan, Sean O'Neil Advisors: William Michalson, Xinming Huang (ECE)

#### 8:45am

### **Modular Electric Skateboard (MESB)**

Nicholas Fajardo, Phillip Konyeaso, Zane Weissman

Advisors: Susan Jarvis (ECE), Craig Putnam

#### 9:00am

### **Telenursing RoboPuppet**

Zachary Caplin, Ryan Kennedy, Grant Zahorsky Advisor: Zhi (Jane) Li

#### 9:15am

#### Sailbot 2018-2019

Sydney Fisher, Sierra Palmer, Kellen Randall Advisors: William Michalson, Kenneth Stafford

#### 9:45am

### Agriculture SWARM

Anqi Shen, John Stegeman

Advisor: Michael Ciaraldi, Nicholas Bertozzi

#### 10:00am

### **Soft Matter Manipulation**

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#### A.I. LEGO Sorter

Peter Donaldson, David Jin, Andrew Schueler Advisors: Brad Miller, Craig Putnam

#### 10:30am

#### Lionfish Bot 2.0

Alexander Antaya, Katharine Conroy, Eric Peterson, Thomas Ralph

Advisors: Susan Jarvis (ECE), Brad Miller, Craig

Putnam

Sponsor: Robots in Service of the Environment

#### 10:45am

#### **Oddisy Drone Dispatch System**

Noah Hillman, Nick Sorensen, Marek Travnikar, Steven Viola

Advisors: Nick Bertozzi, Reinhold Ludwig (ECE), Brad Miller, Carlo Pinciroli

#### 11:15am

# Swarm Construction with Intelligent Scaffolding

Albert Enyedy, Felix Sanchez Advisor: Carlo Pinciroli

#### 11:30am

#### Walking Quadruped

Nicole Franco, Nicoli Liedtke, Danny Lu Advisors: Gregory Fischer, William Michalson, Craig Putnam

#### 11:45am

#### **Autonomous Scale Car Using**

### **Computer Vision and Neural Networks**

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#### 12:00pm

#### **Autonomous RC Car Platform**

Jason Ashton, Sean Hunt, Myles Spencer Advisor: Jie Fu, Michael Gennert

#### 12:15pm

#### **SmallKat**

Keion Bisland, Xavier Little, Alex Tacescu Advisors: Nicholas Bertozzi, Loris Fichera, Gregory Fischer, Brad Miller

### 1:00pm

# K.O.L.T.: Known Object Localization and Tracking

Nathan Rosenberg

Advisor: William Michalson

#### 1:15pm

#### **Robot Tour Guide**

Henry Dunphy, Zoraver Kang, William Mosby Advisors: Gregory Fischer, Jing Xiao

Sponsor: AVA Robotics

#### 1:30pm

# Object Manipulation and Control with Robotic Hand

Colin Buckley, Bhon Bunnag, Apiwat Ditthapron, Rebecca Miles Advisors: Stephen Bitar (ECE), Loris Fichera, Zhi (Jane) Li

#### 1:45pm

#### Kinisi

Gabriel Entov, Lanhao Mao, Cassandra Pepicelli, Jonathan Tai, Samuel White, Cooper Wolanin

Advisors: Hugh Lauer (CS), Alexander Wyglinski (ECE)

Sponsors: SICK Sensor Intelligence, Pico Technology, Mitsubishi Electric Research Lab, WPI Society of Automotive Engineers

#### 2:00pm

### Diagnosing Robotic Swarms (Dr. Swarm)

Josiah Boucher, Jerry Brown, Erika Snow, Alexandra Wheeler

Advisors: Carlo Pinciroli, Lane Harrison (CS)

#### 2:30pm

#### Thermal Infrared Endoscope

Matthew Collins, James Kradjian, Ryan St. Hilaire,

Chenggu Wang, Wentao Yuan

Advisors: Loris Fichera, Gregory Fischer

### 2:45pm

#### **Autonomous Landmine Detection Rover**

Dillon Arnold, Nicholas Lanotte, Benjamin Wagner, Dan Wensley Advisors: Nick Bertozzi, Susan Jarvis (ECE), Craig Putnam

### 3:00pm

### **Firefighting Robot**

Eva Barinelli, Jacob Berman-Jolton, Gavin MacNeal, Karina Naras, Yil Verdeja Advisors: William Michalson, Carlo Pinciroli, Sarah Wodin-Schwartz (ME)

#### 3:15pm

# Increasing the Throughput of 3D Printers with Automated Part Removal

Brian King, Chris Kirven, Hussain Muhammad, Brian Sayers, Benjamin Secino, Baron Strasburger Advisors: Mehul Bhatia (ME), Pradeep Radhakrishnan

#### 3:30pm

# Super-elastic Continuum Robot for Endoscopic Articulation and Manipulation (SCREAM)

Zachary Boyer, Cory Brolliar, Benjamin Mart, Kevin O'Brien

Advisors: Loris Fichera, Gregory Fischer, Kenneth Stafford

4:00pm

#### **Automatic Vehicle Recharging Station**

Matthew Fortmeyer, Nikolas Gamarra, Ryan O'Brien, Jacob Remz Advisors: Jie Fu, Craig Putnam

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#### Rehabilitative Arm Exoskeleton

Eric Carkin, Parker Grant, Bryan Therrien Advisors: Stephen Bitar (ECE), Marko Popovic, Joseph Stabile (ME)

#### 5:00pm

# Investigation of UCL Tears in Baseball Pitchers [Non-judging Presentation]

Maddie Brennan, Steven Gallagher, Ben Kurtze, Paula Sardi Advisors: Selçuk Guçeri (ME), Marko Popovic

# Social Science and Policy Studies

### Salisbury Laboratories, Room 305

#### 9:00am

#### **Train of Four Monitoring**

Christopher Beauregard, Nicholas Bergstrom, Edward Crofts, Kyler Dillon, Anastasia Karapangou, Kinsey McNamara Advisors: Kwonmoo Lee (BME), Ahmet Can Sabuncu (ME), Jeanine Skorinko

#### 9:30am

#### **Choice Effects in Online Daily Fantasy Sports**

Sean Brady, Jackson Perry, Jonathan Venne, Saul Woolf Advisors: Rick Brown (ECE), Randy Paffenroth (MA), Jeanine Skorinko

#### 10:00am

# The Motivations of Social Tuning: Perspective Taking and Affiliative Motivation

Paul Beatty, Luisa Perez, Daniel Vega Advisor: Jeanine Skorinko

#### 10:30am

Deeper Learning in Paraguay: Examining Relations between Student Interpersonal, Cognitive, and Emotional Skills, Outcomes, and Career Aspirations at Escuela Agrícola, Paraguay

Maria Daigle

Advisors: Erin Ottmar, Rob Traver

#### 11:00am

Effects of Cultural Orientation and Harmony Seeking or Avoiding Rejection Mindset on Social Tuning in Morocco and the United States

Jessica Greenleaf Advisors: Mohamed Brahimi (HU), Jeanine Skorinko

# 12:30pm

# **Utilizing ALT for Online Class**

Ethan Marshall

Advisors: James Doyle, Oleg Pavlov, Shari Weaver

# 1:00pm

# Creating an SD Modeling API for Games

Jacob Friese

Advisors: Khalid Saeed, Jeff Kesselman (IMGD)

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