University Honors Program

Honors Research Conference
April 20, 2024
Lang Hall

9:00-9:25 am

Jadyn Milius – The Effects of Gender-Based Occupational Segregation on Women’s Earnings
  Shahina Amin - Economics

*Shekynah Haworth – The Impact of COVID-19 on the IS Services Industry
  Andrew Berns - Computer Science

*Lauren Rotherham – Comparing In-Person and Remote Language Assessments for Adults
  with Communication Disorders: Clinical Applications for Speech-Language Pathologists
  Angela Burda & Sarah Diehl - Communication Sciences & Disorders

9:35-10:00 am

*Emily Manis – Integrating Music in PK-12 Classrooms to Impact Behavior, Improve
  Academics, and Support Developmental Milestones in Children
  Allison Barness - Teaching

*Ashlyn Miller – Gender Socialization and Social Media in College Students’ Fear of Crime
  Nathan Taylor - Family, Aging, and Counseling

Ella Hilbrant – A Reexamination of College Students’ Behaviors and Knowledge of Recycling
  Alicia Rosburg - Economics

10:10-10:35 am

Lydia Kernen – It’s Not All About Winning and Losing: Increasing Fan Engagement in
  Collegiate Basketball
  Steve Carignan - Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center

Macey Overturf – Gender and Student Motivation in Domestic and International Foreign
  Language Study
  Heather Jeronimo - Languages & Literatures

Josie Sagan – The Effects of Exercise in Cognitive Function in Older Adults
  Terence Moriarty - Kinesiology & Athletic Training

Skyler Kelly – Considering the Impact of Non-Traditional Factors on Farmland Pricing in Iowa
  Kirsten Juhl & Arun Narayanasamy - Finance

10:45-11:10 am

Emily Clouser – Crafting a Traveling Icon: The Role of Mobile Carillons in Honoring Traditions
  Erik Rohde - School of Music

Bryleigh De Jong – "Sit Still, Look Pretty to Survive": An Analysis of The Hunger Games Trilogy
  Nichole Harken - Communication & Media

Ethan Dickey – Using GIS to Evaluate Habitat Connectivity Among the Pollinator Conservation
  Reserve Program Restorations in Northeast Iowa
  Ai Wen - Biology

*Amber Finke – Using Fiddler Crab Species to Identify Coastal Biomes around the Perimeter
  of the Atlantic Ocean
  Carl Thurman - Biology

11:20-11:45 am

Claire Tow – Orthographic Influences on the Production of French Nasal Vowels by
  English-Speaking Learners of French
  Todd Bohnenkamp - Communication Sciences & Disorders &
  Elizabeth Zwanziger - Languages & Literatures

Anna Carmen – An Extensive Literature Review of Factors Contributing to Archaeal Diversity
  Marek Sliwinski - Biology

*Maddy Waters – Editing the Tri5 Gene of Fusarium graminearum
  Tilahun Abebe - Biology

11:20-11:45 am

Tyler Larson – Impact of High School Climate on Depression and Anxiety in Emerging
  Adulthood
  Elizabeth Lefler - Psychology
11:55-12:20 pm

Mason Fritz – Housing Affordability: An Examination of Factors in Black Hawk County Impacting Housing Affordability for UNI Graduates

Kirsten Juhl - Finance

Emma Kizer – Language Barriers in the U.S. Legal System for Primarily Spanish Speakers: Attorney Perspectives and Potential Solutions for True Equal Access

Kimberly Baker - Sociology, Anthropology, & Criminology

*Maddie Steffen – A Comparison Between Two Schools Implementing Trauma-Informed Classroom Management

Mason Kuhn - Curriculum & Instruction

*Lydia Berns-Schweingruber – “Our Hands are Tied”: How State Educational Diversity Laws Affect Iowa Public Educators and How Educators Respond

Carissa Frayum - Sociology, Anthropology, Criminology

12:30-12:55 pm

Emmy Nelson – Why Would I Read When the Game is On?: Reasons Adults Give for Reading or Not

Sheila Benson - Languages & Literatures

*Jackson Burgess – Balancing Progress and Ethics: Exploring the Science and Ethics of Gene Editing

Marek Sliwinski - Biology

Katie Stirling – Exploration of Affine Functions

Adrienne Stanley - Mathematics

*Lauryn Fetzer – The Connection Between Unreliable Narrators and Communication

Julie Husband - Languages & Literatures

1:05-1:30 pm

McKenzie Vick – Equity in Harmony: Music Teacher Preparedness and Perceptions of Multilingual Learners in the Midwest

Aliza Fones - Languages & Literatures & Kevin Droe - School of Music

*Damien Foster – Beyond the Classroom: Do Iowa's Civic Virtue Standards Achieve Their Goals?

Donna Hoffman - Political Science

Kayla Minor – The Role of FLO11 in Saccharomyces cerevisiae Colonization of the Lepidopteran Gastrointestinal Tract

Jerremie Jackson - Biology

Jenna Heinen – Characterization of Zebra Calcite to Better Understand Wind Cave National Park as an Extraterrestrial Analog

Joshua Sebree - Chemistry & Biochemistry

1:40-2:05 pm

*Mallory Schmitz – Little Miss Sure Shot: Essays on a Young Woman Journalist’s Search for Fulfillment

Caroline Ledeboer - Languages & Literatures

Anna Girten – Adoption and Perception of Pharmacogenomics: A Literature Review

Tilahun Abebe - Biology

Jordan Whitney – Death and Bereavement in 21st Century United States

Francis Degnin - Philosophy & World Religions

Madeline Hinz – ¿Tengo el derecho a votar?: An Analysis of Language Access Laws and the Impacts of Multilingual Voting Resources on the Participation of Latines in Iowa and Michigan

Elise DuBord - Languages & Literatures

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