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Semi-Annual Poster Presentation

Honors and
Research Scholars
Poster Presentation

Wednesday, May 4, 2016 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM Atrium First and Ground Floors

Thursday, May 5, 2016 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Awards Ceremony at 12:30 PM
Atrium Amphitheater

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Russell K. Hotzler
President

Bonne August Provost Vice President for Academic Affairs

Pamela Brown Associate Provost

Honors Scholars Recognition

Janet Liou-Mark
Director of the Honors Scholars Program

Research Scholars Recognition

Hamidreza Norouzi
Director of Undergraduate Research

Special Projects Recognition

Laura Yuen-Lau Coordinator of the Honors Scholars Program

Best Poster Awards

Reneta Lansiquot Assistant Director of the Honors Scholars Program



Honors Scholars Program Orientation February 11, 2016



The American Museum of Natural History
March 25, 2016

Honors Course

Privacy, Encryption, Technology & Security - Case Study of Apple vs. FBI

Danisha Deonarain, Cynthia Love, Patricia Negron, Aremi Ruiz, Jessica Samide, and Nicole Waite Prof. Marissa J. Moran LAW 4704H: legal Technology

Honors in a Regular Course

The Effect of Hydrogen Peroxide (H2o2) on Sirtuins in Tetrahymena Thermophila

Victor Adedara Profs. Ralph Alcendor and Kajan Ratnakumar BIO 3620: Molecular and Cell Biology

Brand Identity

Nanase Akagami
Prof. Joseph Loguirato
COMD 2300: Communication Design I

Case Studies for Peer Leader Training

Carlos Alvarez
Prof. Janet Liou-Mark
MEDU 2901: Peer Leader Training in Mathematics

The Synthesis of Angucyclines Using an Intramolecular Bradsher Cycloaddition

Abdullah Allaoa Prof. Tony Nicolas CHEM 2323: Organic Chemistry II

Ethical Marketing

Dushawn Butler Prof. John Dello Russo MKT 1212: Consumer Behavior

Light Matter Interaction in Semiconductor Heterostructures

Rakibul Chowdhury Prof. German Kolmakov PHYS 1434: General Physics II: Algebra Based

Wal-Mart and Ethics

Hailin Du Prof. John Dixon BUS 2425: Business Management

Precision Engineered Dental Appliances

Olesea Galusca Prof. Renata Budny RESD 1212: Fixed Prosthodontics II

STEM Teaching Scholarship in New York City

Kendra Guo
Prof. Fangyang Shen
CST 2400: Computer Systems Management and Support

Fear of Public Speaking

Malika Ikramova Prof. John Sannuto COM 1330: Public Speaking

The Exciton Base-Einstein Condensation and Superfluidity in Bilayer Systems

Samuel Isaac Prof. Oleg Berman PHYS 1442: General Physics II: Calculus Based

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Sarah Khovov Prof. Oleg Berman PHYS 1442: General Physics II: Calculus Based

LGBTQ Muslim Experience Study

Felix Kurniawan
Profs. Gilbert Kiefer and Eric Rodriguez
MAT 1272: Statistics

BCD to 7-Segment Display

Wai Ming Lam

Profs. Robert Armstrong and Ohbong Kwon

EMT 1250: Fundamentals of Digital Systems

Etiologies and Treatment of Neurological Pathologies

Stella Lee

Prof. Niloufar Haque

BIO 2312: Human Anatomy and Physiology II

Neurological Disease and Neurotherapy

Stella Lee

Prof. Ralph Alcendor

BIO 3302: Microbiology I

L.I.D. (Liquid Interactive Dispenser)

Adrian Martinez Zuniga Prof. Muhammad Ummy

EET 2271: Circuit Analysis Laboratory

Technology's Impact on the Economy

Rejwoan Matubbar

Prof. Andrea Allard

CST 1100: Introduction to Computer Systems

Green Marketing

Kayla McCall

Prof. John Dello Russo

MKT 1212: Consumer Behavior

An Analysis of the Impact of the Harlem Renaissance

Nykkeicha McEwan

Prof. Javiela Evangelista

AFR 1466: Modern African-American History II

Elucidating Novel Species of Deep-Sea Black Coral (Order Antipatharia) from the Hawaiian Archipelago

Sheila Moaleman Prof. Mercer Brugler

BIO 1201: Biology II

Strong Cobra

Israel Nava Hernandez

Prof. Edward Morton

CET 3625: Applied Analysis Lab

Expression of Membrane Proteins

Jawad Rashid

Prof. Nathan Astrof

BIO 3601: Biochemistry

Furniture Design Utilizing Multifunctional Elements

Ezra Stabler

Prof. Lieselle Trinidad

IND 2401: Furniture Design

Culture and Culture Change: Gentrification in the Downtown Brooklyn Area

Phillipa Williams

Prof. Angela D'Souza

ANTH 1101: Introductory Anthropology

Gender Equality in Burundian Coffee Farming

Anna Ye

Prof. James Reid

HMGT 3501: Hospitality Work Force Management

in a Global Marketplace

Case Studies for Peer Leader Training

Mei Zhu

Prof. Janet Liou-Mark

MEDU 2901: Peer Leader Training in Mathematics



American Meteorological Society
January 16, 2016

CUNY Research Scholars

Advanced Design and Fabrication of Custom Prosthetics

Ehab Ahmad Prof. Gaffar Gailani

Prediction of Hydrodynamic Vulnerability of Coastal Bridges to Extreme Storm Surges

Jonathan Akujobi Prof. Gerarda Shields

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David Amegavie Prof. Gaffar Gailani

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Harold Barreto Prof. Gaffar Gailani

Creating Active Learning Spaces in Virtual Worlds

Zianne Cuff

Prof. Reneta Lansiquot

Benefits of Expressive Writing: Improvements in Vagal Tone over Time

Cherishe Cumma Prof. Jean Hillstrom

Student's Matchmaker: An Internship Finder

Hector Feliz Prof. Marcos Pinto

3D Nutrient Delivery Network Fabrication for the Engineered Tissues

Eddy Garcia Prof. Ozlem Yasar

Novel Materials for Photonics and Optoelectronics

Andy He

Prof. German Kolmakov

Re-visualizing Brooklyn Tech: Architectural Archeology and Virtual Land Development

Ikrash Khan Prof. Alan Lovegreen

The Role of Calpains in Oxidative Stress

Robin Koiner Prof. Ralph Alcendor

Analysis of Renewable Energy Systems

Ibrahim Mamun Prof. Masato Nakamura

Advanced Design and Fabrication of Custom Prosthetics

Rachid Moumni Prof. Gaffar Gailani



Writing Abstracts for Research Projects
March 3, 2016

Study of Two-dimensional Transition Metal Dichalcogenide Semiconductors: MoS2, MoSe2, WS2, WSe2 and Implementation of Modern Physics Experiments in the Undergraduate Laboratory

William Orton

Prof. Roman Kezerashvili

Lagrange and the Calculus of Variations

Yen Pham

Prof. Andrea Ferroglia

Mechanical Characterization of Biomaterials for Tissue Engineering Applications

Ramesh Prashad Prof. Ozlem Yasar

Prediction of Hydrodynamic Vulnerability of Coastal Bridges to Extreme Storm Surges

Jarren Sanderson Prof. Gerarda Shields

Discovering Mechatronics by Connecting the Software and the Hardware Together

Malevich Tsimur Prof. Muhammad Ali Ummy

Stochastic Simulation of an Energy Conversion System: Modeling of a Combustion Chamber in a Waste-to-Energy (WTE) Power Plant

George Vanishvili Prof. Masato Nakamura

Fabrication of Engineered Tissues with Micro-Molding

Xavier Williams
Prof. Ozlem Yasar

Baccalaureate Student Research Scholars

Computer Simulation and Design of Bridges

Amanda Abrew Prof. Navid Allahverdi

The Role of Sirtuins in T. Thermophile

Victor O. Adedara Prof. Ralph Alcendor

Design of a Stand-Up Power Wheelchair

Joshua Afrifa Prof. Angran Xiao

iPractice Challenge: A Mobile App for Practicing Computer Programming

Brayan Álmonte Prof. Benito Mendoza

Modulation of Glucose Uptake and Cell Polarity in Toxoplasma Infected Cells

William Bennett Prof. Jeremy Seto

Understanding the Mechanism of Binding of VEGFD with its Receptor VEGF3

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David Carvajal Prof. Mai Zahran

Symbolic Language in STEM Education Graphics: Infograms for Anatomy and Physiology

Tristan Charran Prof. Vasily Kolchenko

Global Drought and Land-Cover/ Land-Use Change Studies Using Satellite Microwave Observations

Yanna Chen Prof. Hamidreza Norouzi

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Design of a Stand-Up Power Wheelchair

Justen Garner Prof. Angran Xiao

Drug Design Target VEGFR3 Receptor

Binita Giri Prof. Mai Zahran

Study of Multi-target Directed Ligands: Copper Binding Selectivity and Inhibition of Reactive Oxygen Species Formation and BACE 1 Enzymatic Activity

Miguel Gomez Prof. Alberto Martinez

GravGen and Interdependent Alternate Energy Generator

Christopher Guzman Prof. Andy Zhang



Institutional Review Board (IRB) Training
March 17, 2016

A Novel Technique of Designing a C-band SOA-based Bidirectional Tunable Fiber Laser with Two Merged Fiber Ring Cavities

Ouidir Harikenchikh Prof. Muhammad Ali Ummy

Advanced Design and Fabrication of Custom Total Knee Replacement with Cost Analysis

Gabriel Higuera Prof. Gaffar Gailani

Mechanical Characterization of Polydimethylsiloxane (PDMS) Based Scaffolds for Tissue Engineering Applications

Mian Huang Prof. Ozlem Yasar

Design of a Stand-Up Power Wheelchair

Damir Kasumovic Prof. Angran Xiao

Design and Building of 3D Printer with Cost Analysis

Eraj Khan Prof. Gaffar Gailani

A Comparison of Bio-Inspired Algorithms for the Design of Combinational Logic Circuits

Volodymyr Komendyak Prof. Benito Mendoza

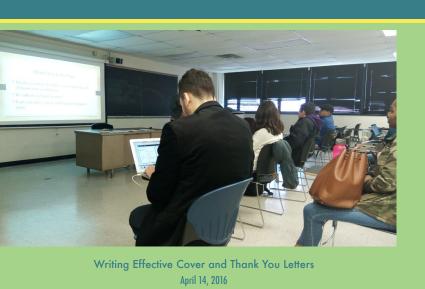
Understanding the Important Interaction between VEGFD and VEGF3

Christopher Mason Prof. Mai Zahran

Number Theoretic Problems

Justin Meyer

Prof. Satyanand Singh



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Cash Free Aerial Vehicle for Assistiv Navigation System for Visually Challenged People

Tenzing Rabgyal Prof. Xiaohai Li

Predicting the Structure of Protein Kinase A

Elizabeth Rosenzweig Prof. Mai Zahran

Combating Horizontal Violence in Nursing using Peer-Led Workshops

Peggy Saint-vil Prof. Elaine Leinung

Self-Balancing Walking Instrument

Luca Scarano Prof. Andy Zhang

Hydrogel Fabrication Using Maskless Photolithography

Joyce Tam Prof. Ozlem Yasar

Structural Health Monitoring of Bridges

Danielle Telemaque Prof. Navid Allahverdi

The Limitations in Increasing Spectral Efficiency of Optical Communications

Ina Tsikhanava Prof. Djafar K. Mynbaev

The Role of Sirtuins in T. Thermophila

Masood Usman Prof. Ralph Alcendor

Self-Balancing Walking Instrument

Dylan Wolf Prof. Andy Zhang

Advanced Design of Bionic Hand with Cost Analysis

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Advancing Library Research Techniques
March 24, 2016

Emerging Scholars

Curating DNA Methylation Signatures in Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA)

Sajjad Abedian Prof. Eugenia Giannopoulou

A Computer Keyboard with Finger-detection Sensors on Each Key

Joe Nathan Abellard Prof. Farrukh Zia

Using a Tensegrity Structure for External Actuated Shading Systems on Buildings

Starky Acevedo Prof. Phillip Anzalone

GravGen an Interdependent Alternate Energy Generator

Yevgeniy Babkin Prof. Yu Wang

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Raveena Bahadur Prof. Phillip Anzalone

Landscape Determinants of Neutral and Adaptive Genomic Diversity in Leaf-toed Geckos within the Mexican Dry Forest

Saptarsi Basu Prof. Christopher Blair

Chronicling the Achievements and Activities of Honors Scholars at City Tech

Savannah Blodgett Prof. Reneta Lansiquot

Health Effects of Long Term Exposure to Carbon Monoxide

Brittania Brown Prof. Olufemi Sodeinde

Tinnitus: Causes, Diagnosis and Treatment

Shenika Burke Prof. Olufemi Sodeinde

Differential Effect of Fat or Energy Intake in Males and Females

Trevor Caraballo Prof. Sanjoy Chakraborty

The Impact, Sources, and Resolutions of Error in GPS

Carl Chan Prof. Holly Carley

Room Temp Dynamics of Polarities in TMD

Rakibul Chowdhury Prof. German Kolmakov

Designing and Building 3D Printer

Justin Colon Prof. Gaffar Gailani

The Role of Calpain in Oxidatixe Stress

Coreen Cooper Prof. Ralph Alcendor

Spectroscopic Studies on the Interaction of Chlorin and Isobacteriochlorin with Bovine and Human Serum Albumin

Alexandra De Pasquale Prof. Diana Samaroo

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Antioxidant Properties of Multi-target Cmpounds by the DPPH Assay

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Characterization of Auphylococci from the Built Environment

Manuela Hoyos Prof. Jeremy Seto

Extraction of DNA from the Scales of Phataginus Tricuspis for PCR-based Identification and Barcoding using Different Extraction Protocols

Angela Huang Prof. Olufemi Sodeinde

Blending Wine Education and General Education: Preparing Tomorrow's Wine Professionals for Continual Growth

Malika Ikramova Prof. Karen Goodlad

Normalizing Field Data for Liquefaction Analysis in NYC

Areeba Iqbal Prof. Melanie Villatoro

iPractice: An AIG-enabled Platform for Self-assessment Systems

Munthasir Islam Prof. Benito Mendoza

The Role of Sirtuins in T. Thermophile

Suzanne Jacob Prof. Ralph Alcendor

Text and Network Discovery with Netlytic

Felicia Jeter Prof. Nadia Benakli

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Colin Joseph Prof. Mercer Brugler

RNA-Seq Analysis (PC12 Cells)

Daenna Joseph Prof. Jeremy Seto

Tidal Energy Generator

Anita Keo Prof. Masa Nakamura

LGBT Muslim Experience

Felix Kurniawan Prof. Eric Rodriguez

Digital Design Using VHDL

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An Information-theoretic Investigation of Decoy Structures Used in Protein Threading and Fold Recognition Chris Pang

Prof. Armando Solis

A Comparative Study of the Protein Sequences of BSA and HAS and Their Interaction with Organic Molecules

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Denia Saleh Prof. Diana Samaroo

Comparing SDSS Spectral Quantities and their Inclination Dependence

Roberto Serrano Prof. Ariyeh Maller



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Peer-Led Team Learning in an Intermediate
Algebra and Trigonometry Course: Examining the
Effects of Gender and Workshop Participation

Farjana Shati

Prof. Janet Liou-Mark

NYC MAX: Mapping the Maximum Allowable Density of NYC by Zoning

Xiaoneng Tang Prof. Ting Chin

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Theoretical Analysis of the Flow through the Cement Line of a Single Meleha Yousaf Prof. Gaffar Gailani

A Modified Predator-Prey Model with Disease in the Prey Xuebin Zou

Prof. Johann Thiel



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Special Projects

Water Resource Management of Fairview Lake

Keron Adams Hamilton, Safreen Akbar, Salim Al Din, Volha Asadchaya, Atif Azam, Jesus Dorantes, Stephanie Gonzalez, Nathaniel James, Alan Jimenez, Rajvinder Kaur, Jesus Martinez, Jorge Martinez, Roger Mason, Richardson McLeod, Jibril Mohammed Bashiru, Alan Oms, Raymil Perez, Manellva Peters, Khiran Samsundar, Colle Seck, Mohammad Sharif, Pape Thioune, Giovanni Vaque, Christian Veras, Akeem Watson, and Deirdra Williams

CMCE 2454: Applied Hydraulics Prof. Gerarda M. Shields

Abstract: A sample project site was selected in Tafton, PA. Students analyzed, designed and managed the water resources found in Fairview Lake and the surrounding watershed. First, the watershed was delineated and the amount of available water determined. A computer model was developed to route the water through the stream to determine flow and velocity. Students then designed a basic drinking water and wastewater treatment system for the community using the resources from the lake and stream.

Unifying the Presence of First Year Programs at New York City College of Technology

Arianna Bollers, Graphic Design Intern Faculty Commons Design Team Lauri Aguirre, Director of First Year Programs

Abstract: First Year Programs is well established at New York City College of Technology, however it lacks a cohesive visual identity that appeals to students entering City Tech for the first time. This presentation will display print and digital design elements that solve this problem, including a brochure, bookmarks, awareness posters, and various other media designed specifically for First Year Learning Communities, one of the many programs supported by First Year Programs. The deliverables feature class schedules and the list of titles and class descriptions, which are created to promote and aid in scheduling of the First Year Learning Communities. The deliverables will be introduced for the first time throughout the spring and summer of 2016 to approximately 400 First Year Learning Community students and 1200 First Year Summer Program students. Students, faculty, and staff will benefit from this unified presence as it is represented throughout the college.

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Drink at Your Own Risk! Comparative Analysis of East River, Distilled and Tap Water

Serkan Akgun, Renee Barnes, Teddy Concepcion, Alexandra DePasquale, Narmin Gadimova, Matthew Lawson, Christy Yuling Liang, Kashana McRae, Anthony Serrano, Alona Shevchenko, Macrooseler Sylla, Jin Hua Wu, Yingyan Yang, Cristian Ynfante CHEM1210L: General Chemistry II Laboratory Prof. Alberto Martinez

Abstract: Water samples were collected from the East River in New York City (on March 15th, 2016) to measure for dissolved oxygen, conductivity, hardness, pH, and nitrates/ nitrites. East River samples, taken at 6.5°C after a rainy day, were then compared to distilled and tap water. Total dissolved oxygen (DO) was higher in East River water (9.4) ppm) than levels found in tap water (8.9 ppm) or distilled water (8.6 ppm), which can be attributed to several factors, including exposure to atmospheric oxygen, mostly to colder water temperatures at the time of collection, and turbulence. However, oxygen saturation was substantially lower in East River water (76.4%) than in tap or distilled water (≈100%), fact that could be an indication of water pollution. Conductivity at 70.5 mS/cm was ≈400 times higher than tap water (175 mS/cm). These results were expected due to the proximity of the East River to ocean water. The pH of river samples was 7.8 on average, which was slightly more basic than tap water at 6.7, and distilled water at 6.5. The measured value of nitrates at 3 ppm in the East River sample was comparable to measured values for distilled water (2.2 ppm) and tap water (4.2 ppm), an unexpected result that may be caused by inadequate recycling efforts at reservoir water treatment facilities. Nitrite values were negligible in all cases. Hardness was higher in both the East River (>400ppm) and tap water (10ppm) samples respectively, which could be attributed to dissolved minerals which are absent in distilled water. In conclusion, our results suggest that, despite the efforts by NYC authorities, Hudson/East River water quality still seems to show some signs of pollution.

Earthquakes and New York City Buildings

Sara Aslam, Johnny Liu, Marissa Lyons, Sadaf Ramazan, and Kennedy Samarakody

Supervolcanoes: Earth's Most Destructive Force

Maen Caka, Khalood Nagi, Kleber Perez, Chunkit Szeto, Briken Vukaj

The Past, Present and Future of Climate Change

Joe N. Abellard, Jessica Choi, Michael Mateo, Tucker Salovaara, Punlop Wongsopar

Flood Characteristics that are the Most Damaging

Yanna Chen, Montimaire Joseph, Charyssa Morgan, Olakunle Olawoyin, Danny Sen

Have Hurricanes Become More Threatening over the Years?

Milko Castillo, Andrew Greaves, Carlos Matute, Andrew Ng, Feng Zheng PHYS 1002: An Introduction to the Physics of Natural Disasters

Prof. Reginald Blake

Recursion, Dynamic Systems, and Chaos

Rasheda Akhtar, Kadiatou Camara, Joel Chapman, Brian Cuevas, Shannon Evans, Eugene Fung, Naveen Grero, Adam Gronowski, Owen Hylton, Olivia Hewitt, Latina Laing, Sarja Lowe, Sugeiry Pena, Juan Ramirez Jr., Kennedy Samarakody, Tshering Wangchuk, Noura Yasin, and Anthony Yorrick

Abstract: In this study we create by recursive processes certain fractals. These images embody dynamic systems and are created in the complex plane. We will discuss applications of fractals as we capture their allure and experience the beauty of mathematics. Studies will be made of perturbed systems such as f(z)=z^z+c, where z is in the complex plane.

MAT 2630:Numerical Analysis Prof. Satyanand Singh

NSF LOUIS STOKES ALLIANCE FOR MINORITY PARTICIPATION (LSAMP) IN STEM

Program Coordinator: Mr. Marvin Bennett

Detecting and Eliminating Noisy (Fraud Instances in Big Data

Hantz Angrand Prof. Ashwin Satyanarayana

Ants vs. Bees: A Comparison of Swarm-intelligence Approaches for Cyber Security

Mikhail Bennett Prof. Benito Mendoza

Elucidating Black Coral (Cnidaria:Anthozoa: Hexacoralia) Species Diversity in the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary (Gulf of Mexico)

Craig Dawes Prof. Mercer Brugler

Study and Analysis of the Waterborne Pathogen

Thierno Diallo Prof. Urmi Ghosh-Dastidar

Automatic Migration of Legacy Java Method Implementations to Interfaces

Olivia Moore Prof. Raffi Khatchadourian

Google Cloud vs AWS: A Comparison

Abdou Ndiaye

Prof. Ossama Elhadary

Surveying the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary (Gulf of Mexico) for Antipatharians (Black Corals)

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Fireflies vs Fish: A Comparison of Bio-inspired Algorithms for Decentralized Time Synchronization in Distributed Wireless Sensors Networks

Christian Pinto Prof. Benito Mendoza

Compare Cancer Mutations Stored in COSMIC (The Catalogue of Somatic Mutations In Cancer) and TCGA (The Cancer Genome Atlas) Databases

Taheefa Stephen Prof. Eugenia Giannopoulou

Simulating Binary Options

Marieme Toure
Prof. Jonathan Natov

Mobile App: College Student's Peek at Authors of College Textbooks

Gwenneth Worthy Prof. Marcos Pinto

NSF RESEARCH EXPERIENCES FOR UNDERGRADUATES IN SATELLITE AND GROUND-BASED REMOTE SENSING AT NOAA-CREST 2

(Grant # AGS-1062934)
Profs. Reginald Blake, Janet Liou-Mark
and Ms. Laura Yuen-Lau

A Proposed Remote Sensing Early
Warning Dura Home Earthquake System

Frederic Anglade Prof. Alexander Aptekar

Monitoring Land-Cover Changes in Lake Urmia Basin Using LandSat Imagery

Amarou Bah Prof. Hamidreza Norouzi

Satellite Base Soil Moisture Product Validation Using Ground Observations

Christian Campo Prof. Hamidreza Norouzi

The Feasibility Study of Using Microwave Emission in Detecting Drought and Land-Cover/ Land-Use Change Studies

Yanna Chen

Prof. Hamidreza Norouzi

Quantitative Analysis of Generation Processes of Greenhouse Gases Emitted from Landfill Sites Using Remote Sensing Data

Tiffany Chong

Prof. Masato R. Nakamura

Using Satellite Imagery to Monitor Major Lakes; Case Study: Lake Hamun and Lake Eyre

Rezwon Islam Prof. Hamidreza Norouzi Retrieving Vegetation Reflectance at Beltsville Using Phothosynthetically Active Radiation (PAR) Sensor and a Spectroradiometer Positioned at an Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS)

Francois Mertil Profs. Siwei Li, Ricardo Saika and Demetrius Venable

An Analytical Study Comparing the Outcomes and Successes of a National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates (NSF REU) Program

Ricky Santana Profs. Reginald Blake and Janet Liou-Mark

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Usaama Van Prof. Masato R. Nakamura

NOYCE EXPLORERS, SCHOLARS, TEACHERS (NEST): FOSTERING THE CREATION OF EXCEPTIONAL MATHEMATICS AND TECHNOLOGY TEACHERS IN NEW YORK CITY

(Grant #1340007)

STEM Teacher Scholarship in NYC Kendra Guo Prof. Fangyang Shen

NSF GP-EXTRA: RECRUITING AND RETAINING NON-GEOSCIENCE MINORITY STEM MAJORS FOR THE GEOSCIENCE WORKFORCE

(Grant #1540721)

Profs. Reginald Blake, Janet Liou-Mark, Hamidreza Norouzi, Viviana Vladutescu, and Ms. Laura Yuen-Lau

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THE BLACK MALE INITIATIVE PROGRAM AND P.S. 307

The Five Dancing Spheres

Ramon Romero, Ngima Sherpa Profs. Diana Samaroo and Melanie Villatoro Ms. Servina Narine U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
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A LIVING LABORATORY:
REVITALIZING GENERAL
EDUCATION FOR A 21ST
CENTURY COLLEGE OF
TECHNOLOGY

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The Buzz on the OpenLab Campus Involvement: Assessing Student Engagement on the OpenLab Jean-Luc Antoine, Amoni Brown,

Jean-Luc Antoine, Amoni Brown, Pamela Drake, Konyca Francis, Mandy Mei, Samantha Pezzolanti, Brianna Vasquez Prof. Jonas Reitz

PEER LEADER TRAINING The Black Male Initiative, Perkins VTEA, and First Year Programs

Peer Leading Strategies

Carlos Alvarez, Mukadder Cinar, Ronaldo Carhuaricra, Stephanie Gonzalez, Lamia Mahreen, Brandow Rojas, Anne Therese Yu, Gary Zeng, and Mei Zhu Prof. Janet Liou-Mark

Observations from Peer Leaders: The Rhythm of a General Chemistry Team-Learning Workshop

Miguel Gomez, Sarah Hambleton and Matthew Henning Prof. Diana Samaroo

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NIH BRIDGES TO THE BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM

Associate Provost Pamela Brown Profs. Liana Tsenova, Nathan Astrof, Pa Her, Jean Hillstrom, Janet Liou-Mark, Diana Samaroo, Armando Solis, Tatiana Voza, and Ms. Lori Younge

Intersections of Identifying
Features in Medical Practice:
Measurement, Outcomes, and
the Role of Feminist Identity
Kimberly-Ann Basdeo
Prof. Amanda Almond

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Understanding VEGF-D and Computationally Designing its Synthetic Mimics Zelda Nelson Prof. Mai Zahran

Gender Differences in Vagal Tone Adaptation in an Expressive Writing Paradigm Saber Venture

Prof. Jean Hillstrom

Use of Immunofluorescence to Identify Markers of Cell Proliferation and Differentiation

Ling Yang Prof. Andleeb Zameer

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MSEIP STRATEGIC CHANGES TO
INCREASE AND SUSTAIN THE
PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN
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