

Note from the Editors



This year's journal represents the work of nineteen authors from six disciplines working with a total of fourteen faculty mentors and fourteen student-editors from ten different disciplines. The variety of topics addressed in the journal's twenty articles reflects the contributors' rich diversity of studies. From stress in college students to the contribution to dark matter research, from sonnets to presidential czars, from agritourism in Texas to Winston Churchill, the range of subjects these articles examine meant that they could only be compiled into one journal through extensive collaboration with our peers, whose multidisciplinary knowledge we could not have done without.

If the authors of these works have anything in common, it is their originality, their research rigor, and their willingness to collaborate. These are the qualities that have woven together a collage of articles, and it is with great pleasure, pride, and gratitude that we present the 2012 IU South Bend *Undergraduate Research Journal*.

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