Report of the Committee on Undergraduate Honors
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Committee members

Michael Carew – Economics and Finance
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Thomas Main – Public Affairs
David Rosenberg - Law
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Martha Stark – Public Affair
Abe Tawil - Management
Elizabeth Wollman – Fine and Performing Arts

The following honors theses are currently in progress:

Stefan Barone
BIO 6002H
Increasing Sampling of Taxa and Characteristics to Produce a More Robust Phylogeny for the Drosophila Melanogaster Species Group [Schawaroch]

Laura Boulos
CHM 6002H
Investigation of the Scope and Limitations of New Benazepine Synthesis

Nathan Dvolkin
CHM 6002H
Synthesis and Rearrangements of Benazepines [Greer, Ramig]

Yelena Khvatskaya
PSY 6002H
Personality variables and frequency of risk-taking [Pinto]
Effective fall 2010, Keri Bertino of the Writing Center is leading workshops for honors thesis writers. The objective of these workshops is to better prepare students for the planning and execution of a major research project. While the student’s faculty mentor has primary responsibility for supervising thesis preparation, it is expected that these workshops will facilitate the process. A secondary benefit of these workshops is to create a community of scholars among the thesis writers. Oral presentations relating to work in progress and peer feedback is an essential part of the research process. Thesis writers are also supported by Professor Francoeur of the Newman Library. Professor Francoeur assists students with online research, familiarization with data bases, and obtaining research materials from other libraries.

**Thesis Writing Workshop: Syllabus**

9/3 Intro, Focusing and articulating research question

9/24 Using sources strategically

**Bring copy of most updated bibliography**

10/15 Writing Workshop

**Email copies of writing to group no later than Sunday 10/10**

10/29 Writing Workshop

**Email copies of writing to group no later than Sunday 10/24**

11/12 Writing Workshop

**Email copies of writing to group no later than Sunday 11/7**

12/3 Writing Workshop

**Email copies of writing to group no later than Sunday 11/28**

**Recommended Text:**

Available in the Baruch College Book Store, and as an e-book:


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Respectfully submitted,

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