



**SPRING 2017**

**Research Presentations from Dillard College Students at UGRCA Forum**

**Oral Presentations:**

**Junlin Li**, *Should you delay the graduate school? Game-theoretical approach*  
Economics  
*Faculty Mentor: Dr. Agim Kukeli*

**Luca Lalor**, *Methods of generating alpha from FX trading using technical analysis: Evidence from algorithmic simulations*  
Department of Finance, College of Science & Mathematics, Department of Computer Science  
*Faculty Mentors: Dr. Jeffrey Hood, Dr. Qian Li*

**Hettiyadura Shehan Karunaratne**, *Benford's Law and its Application in Financial Statements to Detect Fraud*  
Accounting  
*Faculty Mentor: Dr. Agim Kukeli*

**Hettiyadura Shehan Karunaratne**, *Benford's Law Application: Case of Elections in Sri Lanka*  
Accounting  
*Faculty Mentor: Dr. Agim Kukeli, EURECA*

**Karema Sallam**, *Empirical Investigation of Economic Growth in North African Countries: The Effect of Pre- and Post- Arab Spring*  
Economics  
*Faculty Mentor: Dr. Agim Kukeli*

**Simon Ospina**, *Remittances and economic growth in developing countries: The impact of human capital*

Economics and Finance

Faculty Mentor: Dr. Pablo A. Garcia-Fuentes

**Rodrigo Mireles, Conney Vargas**, *Oxen as Draft Animals in the Agricultural System of Nicaragua*

Economics

Faculty Mentors: Dr. Pablo A. Garcia-Fuentes, Dr. Yoshi Fukasawa, and Mr. Edgar A. Martinez-Rodriguez

**Regan Duleba, Hayley Dambold, Caroline Wieck, Alexandria Klimkoski**, *Are Conspicuous Consumptions All That Bad? An Empirical Study of Conspicuous consumers: Would they be more attached to their brands compared to conspicuous consumers?*

Marketing

Faculty Mentor: Dr. Thuy D. Nguyen

**Nemanja Krtolica and Hezekia Agbo**, *The Economic Impact of Midwestern State University on the Local Region*

Economics and Finance

Faculty Mentors: Dr. John Martinez, Dr. Robert Forrester, EURECA

**Matthew D. Matlock, Wadzanai Dzvurumi**, *Hotter than Hell Hundred study: Phase 2: Quantitative*

Management

Faculty Mentors: Dr. Niyati Kataria, Dr. Jeff Stambaugh, EURECA

**Careisha Whyte, Jerrod Tofte and Wadzanai Dzvurumi**, *The Challenge of Attracting and Retaining Member-Volunteers at YPWF*

Management

Faculty Mentors: Dr. Niyati Kataria, Dr. Jeff Stambaugh, Mr. Newman Wong, EURECA

**Hezekiah Agbo**, *Hedging Risk in a Student-Managed Investment Fund: A Pedagogical Analysis*

Economics and Finance

Faculty Mentors: Dr. John Martinez, Dr. Robert Forrester, EURECA

**Danielle Crone, Corey French, and Blake Huffstutler**, *United States Health Care System*

Economics

Faculty Mentor: Dr. John Martinez

**Stephen Johnson**, *Shadow Banking as a Cause of Fragility in the Financial System During the Recession of 2008-2009*

Economics

Faculty Mentor: Dr. John Martinez

**Evan Knobloch**, *The Effect of Operating Environment on the Performance Characteristics of Single-Bond Occupational Credit Unions: A Post-2008 Recessionary Analysis*

Economics and Finance

Faculty Mentors: Dr. John Martinez, Dr. Robert Forrester, EURECA

**Poster Presentations:**

**Weiwei Chen and Randy Lopez**, *Chinese-Cuban Identity: An Exploratory Study*

Department of Accounting; College of Science & Mathematics, Department of Biology

Faculty Mentors: Dr. Beverly Stiles, Dr. Claudia Montoya, Mr. Newman Wong, EURECA

**Careisha Whyte and Shirley Hazel**, *Acceptance of Legalized Assisted Suicide: Does Terminology Matter?*

Department of Accounting, Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities & Social Sciences,

Department of Sociology

Faculty Mentor: Dr. Beverly Stiles, Mr. Newman Wong

**Careisha Whyte**, *Evaluating the Ethical Awareness of Accounting Students in the Dillard College of Business Administration*

Accounting

Faculty Mentor: Dr. Ronald Young, EURECA

**Mason Wilson**, *Coffee Roastery in Wichita Falls: a feasibility study*

Management

Faculty Mentor: Dr. Niyati Kataria

**Emily Shackelford, Kelcia Righton , Shayla Owens**, *"isms" at work and tactics to deal with them: a literature review*

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