WMSURE Newsletter

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Cultivating the Scholars of the Future

The **William & Mary Scholars Award** is presented each year to a small group of academically distinguished students who have overcome unusual adversity and/or are members of underrepresented groups who would contribute to campus diversity.

The **William & Mary Scholars Undergraduate Research Experience** (WMSURE) supports W&M Scholars by providing programming to facilitate academic success with a focus on undergraduate research.

What's new with WMSURE?

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation awarded WMSURE $800,000 to enhance its undergraduate research program. The Mellon Foundation grant has and will continue to allow WMSURE to expand in the following ways:

1. Provide additional support for faculty-student research collaborations
2. Increase funding for student summer research grants
3. Appoint an Associate Director
4. Provide additional support for undergraduate mentors

The award has allowed us to support WMSURE Faculty Mentors in serving as advisors for WMSURE scholars, assisting with workshops focused on research and success, and providing experiences in his or her area of specialty.

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Faculty Fellows Spotlight

Dr. Artisia Green

Dr. Green is an Associate Professor in the Theatre Department. She also serves as Program Director of Africana Studies. Her areas of research include performance studies, literary criticism, and dramaturgy.

Dr. Liz Raposa

Dr. Raposa is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychological Sciences. Her research investigates how early life stressors influence trajectories of development in youth.

Heather Lawrence, '18

Heather is a senior double majoring in English and Sociology. After graduation, she plans to pursue a Ph.D. in media studies. Her research interests include media representations of race and gender, digital humanities, pop culture, young adult genre fiction.

Nathanael Paige, '18

Nathanael is a senior pursuing a degree in Marketing. After graduation, he will to join Deloitte as a consultant. His research interests include motivation, perception, identity, and optimization across a range of diverse business, legal fields, and applications.

Scholars Spotlight

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Workshop Highlights

Racism On and Off Campus
(Feb 7th) – We explored racism, micro-aggressions, and colorism at W&M and beyond.

Professional Development
(Feb 21st) – We discussed how to maximize status as a professional with an eye towards graduate school and career.

Choosing a Major
(Feb 14th) – We explored students' aptitude for various majors and careers, with a focus on preparing for major declaration.

Creating and Maintaining Relationships and Communities
(Mar 14th) - We discussed establishing relationships with peers, faculty, and staff at William and Mary and beyond, with a focus on underrepresented communities.

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