

# THESIS PITCH PROGRAM

## OPENING REMARKS

**DR. WILLIAM J. NICHOLS**

*Associate Dean of the Honors College*

## PRESENTERS

**TORI-MARIE PALMER**

**Star Power: Views on Celebrity Activism**

*Major: Political Science*

*Facultymentor: Dr. Takeyta Bonnette-Bailey*

**ALEJANDRA TAPIA BATRES**

**Atlanta's Dirty Little Secret: An Investigation of Bird Collisions with Glass Buildings on Georgia State University's Campus**

*Major: Biology*

*Faculty mentor: Dr. Amy Reber*

**TEMI LASILE**

**Increasing College Students' Resilience to Cope with Anxiety and Depression**

*Major: Psychology and Philosophy*

*Facultymentor: Dr. Ciara Smalls-Glover*

**KENDAHL HECKSTALL**

**A Promising Remedy for Liver Disease**

*Major: Nutrition Science*

*Facultymentor: Dr. Ra faela Feresin*

**ELIJAH ECHOLS**

**A Very Peculiar Attention: Joseph Butler's Prescription for Moral Reflection**

*Major: Philosophy and Psychology*

*Facultymentor: Dr. Eric Wilson*

**CAMRYN ERNST SANCHEZ**

**Race, Gender and Double Jeopardy: The Disparity in Latina University Students Reporting Sexual Misconduct**

*Major: BIS Law & Society*

*Facultymentor: Dr. Kevin Swartout*

**DEMIRA JAKUPOVIC**

**The Way of the Wnt Pathway**

*Major: Biology*

*Faculty Mentor: Dr. Jonathan B. Sylvester*

**MORGAN MCCRAW**

**Getting *C. fasciculata* Drunk and Stressed to Death**

*Major: Biology*

*Faculty Mentor: Dr. Paul Ulrich*

## Prizes and Judging Criteria:

1st place: \$150

2nd place: \$75

CASA-sponsored People's Choice:  
\$50 (selected by audience)

Presentations will be judged based on four criteria:

- Comprehension
- Content
- Communication
- Engagement

## Judges:

Evan Malbrough  
Fellow, ACLU of Georgia

Hanna Basta Roberts, J.D.  
Assistant Attorney General, GA Solicitor General's Office

Marc Reyes  
Coordinator, Office of Undergraduate Research and Fellowships

Special Thanks to our volunteer Coaches: Emily Varon, Ursula Godoy-Arbelaelz, Reid Schulz, Jessica Joyner, Bruce Lampros, Anthony R. Page, Sherill Moss, Carol Walker, Anne-Pierre Goursaud and Savannah Torrance