Honors Research at GURC
Ever since the Georgia Undergraduate Research Conference’s (GURC) conception five years ago, honors students have taken advantage of this opportunity to showcase their research locally, and this year was no exception. Eleven students in disciplines ranging from chemistry to creative writing took part in this year’s conference at Georgia College and State University’s campus in Milledgeville.

Writing and linguistics students featured prominently among the conference’s Georgia Southern population. Three seniors focusing on creative writing, Maggie Delisle, Summer Kurtz, and Lauren Gagnon, led a panel titled “Intertwining Realities in Fiction: How Research Inform Creative Writing.” Writing fiction and poetry is often
dismissed as non-academic, but this panel dispelled that notion.

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**Honors Research at GPSA**

Students pose for a picture after successful presentations

The Georgia Political Science Association (GPSA) conference is hosted annually in Savannah, making it the perfect place for Georgia Southern students to showcase their research, and four senior honors students recently took advantage of this opportunity. Charlotte McDonald, Maria Alejandra Amiel, Carolynn Nixon, and Auburn Bell each gave presentations to an audience consisting of both political science educators and students from around the world.

“The conference was incredible,” said Maria Alejandra Amiel (international studies & French ’17). “It’s an experience I believe more undergraduate students should get.”

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Honors Research at ACS

Mattie Braselton and Jenae Smith prepare to share their research

Every year, one or two honors students usually attend the American Chemical Society’s annual conference, but this year five chemistry students—Mattie Braselton (‘18), Olivia Perdue (‘17), Jenae Smith (‘18), Jonathan Taylor (‘16), and Riley Theis (‘16)—took their research to the meeting, which was held in Columbia, South Carolina. Both students and professionals alike attended the conference, including 2008 Nobel Peace Prize winner for chemistry, Martin Chalfie.

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