

Colleagues,

The annual URECA "Celebration of Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity" will take place on Thursday, April 28th at the Student Activities Center.

We anticipate participation by more than 200 students from departments across campus including Anthropology, Art, Biochemistry, Biomedical Engineering, Chemistry, the College of Business, Computer Sciences, the Dental School, Ecology & Evolution, Electrical & Computer Engineering, Geosciences, Linguistics, Materials Science & Engineering, Mathematics, Marine Sciences, Mechanical Engineering, Medicine, Molecular Genetics & Microbiology, Neurobiology, Pathology, Pharmacology, Physics & Astronomy, Physiology & Biophysics, Surgery, and Women's Studies. Stony Brook students who have worked with researchers in Brookhaven National Laboratory will also be presenting posters.

All the research abstracts have been compiled in the 2004-2005 URECA Collected Abstracts book which will be available in SAC Ballroom A.

In addition to the research poster presentations/exhibits, the Departments of English and History will be sponsoring conferences with oral presentations throughout the day (SAC, third floor). The College of Engineering and Applied Sciences is sponsoring a conference featuring senior design presentations in SAC Ballroom A, from 10:30-12:30. An undergraduate art exhibition (on view currently at the SAC Gallery and running until April 28th) features the best work from undergraduates working with studio faculty. Select undergraduate musicians will perform at 7 pm in the Staller Center Recital Hall.

As you know from your own experiences, the best encouragement for students is for others to be interested in what they have done, and especially for faculty to show an interest in their achievements. Please take some time on the 28th to visit the SAC and see the full range of undergraduate research and creative endeavors at Stony Brook.

I hope you will have an opportunity to participate.

- Robert McGrath, Provost & Executive VP for Academic Affairs