

Caxide Scholars Program

2025 Symposium

Friday, September 26

9:30 AM | Dr. Micah Heumann

Welcome & Introductory Remarks

9:40 AM | Ashly Gasior

Electrocatalytic Oxidative Amidation of Aldehydes

Mentor: Dr. Nicholas Leadbeater, Chemistry

9:55 AM | Tyrese Fenton

Immigrants: Negotiating the Invisible

Mentor: Dr. Anne Gebelein, El Instituto: Institute of Latina/o, Caribbean, and Latin American Studies

10:10 AM | Grace Gewirtz

A Volunteer-Facilitated Intensive Care Unit (ICU)

Diary Program- A Pilot Study

Mentor: Dr. Jennifer Kanaan, UConn Health Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine

10:25 AM | Break

10:40 AM | Olivia Joyce

Legal Protections Against Non-State Actor Torture:

The Case of Gender-Based Violence in the United States

Mentor: Dr. David Richards, Political Science

10:55 AM | Caitlyn Moon

Antifungal Grooming as a Behavioral Immune Defense

Mechanism in Fungus-Growing Ants

Mentor: Dr. Jonathan Klassen, Molecular and Cell Biology

11:10 AM | Maya Bullied

Moments Between

Mentor: Dr. Constance Rock, Music

11:25 AM | Dr. Jennifer Lease Butts

Closing Remarks