

Mascaro Center for Sustainable Innovation

2016 Undergraduate Summer Research Program

Preliminary Agenda

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 102 Benedum Hall 9:30 am – 2:00 pm

9:30 am – 2:00 pm	
9:30 am	Welcome
9:35 am	Use of Equilibrium Chemical Reactions to Enhance Desalination & Heat Transfer Processes Student: Emily Connor, chemical engineering (Mascaro Scholar) Advisor: Eric Beckman, chemical & petroleum engineering
9:50 am	Pittsburgh Water Microbiome Project Student: Marissa Drobitch, civil & environmental engineering (Charles A. and Linda E. Sorber Scholar) Advisor: Kyle Bibby, civil & environmental engineering
10:05 am	Additive Manufacturing of Magnetocaloric Materials for High-efficiency Cooling Student: Katerina Kimes, mechanical engineering & materials science (Mascaro Scholar) Advisor: Markus Chmielus, mechanical engineering & materials science
10:20 am 10:35 am	Piezoelectric Foams for Energy Harvesting Student: Noah Perryman, mechanical engineering & materials science (Mascaro Scholar) Advisor: William Clark, mechanical engineering & materials science BREAK
10:45 am	Development of Stable Nano-Emulsions as a Sustainable Alternative to Conventional Fertilization Practices Student: Jasmine Toney, chemical engineering (Mascaro Scholar) Advisor: Leanne Gilbertson, civil & environmental engineering

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Student: Jelani Virgo, civil & environmental engineering (Mascaro Scholar)

Advisor: Kent Harries, civil & environmental engineering

11:15 am Black Silicon Solar Cells

11:00 am

Student: Bradley Pafchek, mechanical engineering & materials science (Mascaro Scholar)

Advisor: Paul Leu, industrial engineering

Mechanical Test Methods for Full-Culm Bamboo

11:30 am Carbon Nanotube Based Fuel Cells

Student: Anthony Galante, industrial engineering (Mascaro Scholar)

Advisor: Paul Leu, industrial engineering

11:45 am LUNCH

12:30 pm Renewable Energy Integration on the Electric Power Grid

Student: Julia Cope, electrical & computer engineering (Douglas Condon Scholar)

Advisor: Thomas McDermott, electrical & computer engineering

12:45 pm Sustainable Energy Generation Using Microbial Fuel Cells

Student: Emily Klonicki, civil & environmental engineering (Mascaro Scholar)

Advisor: David Sanchez, civil & environmental engineering

1:00 pm Sustainable Design within Engineering Education

Student: Cameron Beichner, mechanical engineering & materials science (Mascaro Scholar)

Advisor: David Sanchez, civil & environmental engineering

1:15 pm Design of Lightweight 3D Printed Lattice Structured Parts

Student: John Wallace, mechanical engineering & materials science (Mascaro Scholar)

Advisor: Albert To, mechanical engineering & materials science

1:30 pm Dirt to Diamonds: CO₂ Conversion to Chemicals and Fuels

Students: Patrick Asinger, chemical engineering (Len Peters Scholar)

Isaac Mastalski, chemical engineering (Frank and Daphna Lederman Scholar)

Advisor: Goetz Veser, chemical & petroleum engineering