

Inaugural Scholar Day Fall Showcase Highlights Student Excellence and Alumni Success

December 4, 2024—The inaugural Scholar Day Fall Showcase at LSUA was a resounding success. Over 60 students from programs such as nursing, biology, business, and social sciences presented their scholarly work through engaging oral and poster presentations, highlighting the diverse knowledge and skills of LSUA students.

The event was made possible through the collaboration of over 35 faculty and staff, including facilities personnel, student volunteers, and faculty and staff who served as judges and coordinators.

A highlight of the day was the Alumni Career Panel, where four distinguished LSUA alumni shared their unique career journeys and offered invaluable advice to students and attendees.

The panel featured:

- Curtis Hilton, RN, BSN, MBA, Critical Care Director at Rapides Regional Medical Center
- Justin Lafleur, LPN, CAC, ICACC, BS Psychology, BS Biology, Administrator of Edgefield Recovery Center
- Amber Ramos, BS Psychology, MS Candidate at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette
- Christian Singletary, BA History, MA Candidate at the University of Southern Mississippi

The panelists discussed their paths to success and provided insights into navigating life after graduation, leaving students inspired and better prepared for their future careers.

The Scholar Day Fall Showcase celebrated student accomplishments and fostered connections between students, faculty, staff, and alumni, making it a memorable and impactful event for the LSUA community.

## Fall Showcase Award Recipients Oral Presentations

- Outstanding Presentation in Business Entrepreneurship Two awards:
  - Ekaterina Amosova
  - Hanlin Riddle and Kanupriya Rajawat
- Outstanding Artistic Presentation
  - Tyler Escobio
- Outstanding Presentation in English
  - o Ji'Bril Harris
- Outstanding Presentation in Biology Two awards (tie)
  - Karen Slatten and Maberu Obasa
  - Katelyn Daenen and Shelby Johnston

## **Poster Presentations**

Outstanding Poster Talk Award - Tie

• Amie Christian



- Sadye Doucet
- Abigail Fisher
- Alaina Fontenot
- Chandler Kammerer
- Emily Linsay
- Kelly Menard
- Mallory Plauche
- Maggie Skains

**Outstanding Poster Content Award** 

1<sup>st</sup> place – Amie Christian 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Lauren Irons 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Chandler Kammerer 4<sup>th</sup> place – Emily Linzay 5<sup>th</sup> place – Maggie Skains

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