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CONTRIBUTIONS OF UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH TO BE CELEBRATED AT UD'S STANDER SYMPOSIUM

DAYTON, Ohio -- From investigating infectious diseases that afflict patients with suppressed immune systems to designing a factory automation system, University of Dayton undergraduate students are making contributions to scientific research conducted in UD laboratories.

The accomplishments of undergraduate research will be celebrated at UD's second annual Stander Symposium to be held Tuesday, March 19, in the Kennedy Union Ballroom. Student research presentations and displays will be featured. Admission is free and open to the public.

"The Stander Symposium reflects the great opportunity young people have at UD to do research and to create new knowledge before they become graduate students," said John Heitmann, organizer of the symposium. "Because of the University's size, faculty members can develop links with students that can be of profound significance later in their lives. It's also an opportunity for the departments to demonstrate a lot of work that is unheralded and quiet but is probably the backbone of the university."

The symposium honors Brother Joseph Stander, S.M., the University's chief academic officer from 1974 to 1989. Stander, who is now teaching in the mathematics department, served several times as acting chair of that department in the 1960s, became assistant dean for graduate studies and research in 1967 and dean two years later. In 1974 he became vice president for academic affairs and provost.

Opening remarks at the symposium will be made at 3:30 p.m. by the Rev. James Heft, S.M., provost of UD. Offering comments on the symposium at 4 p.m. will be several students and a faculty member. Artistic performances will be featured at 4:30 p.m., followed by open time to view the research presentations and displays.

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