

**LAGUARDIA HONORS
PROGRAM**

**CROSS-DISCIPLINARY
CONVERSATIONS V: ANNUAL
LAGUARDIA STUDENT RESEARCH
CONFERENCE
FRIDAY, MAY 17 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
ROOM E-242**



**HOSTED BY THE HONORS FACULTY AND THE
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PROGRAM

10:00 am - Breakfast and Student Registration – E-242

10:30 am - 11:15 am – *First Sessions:*

E-264 Regulating the Economy

Faculty Timekeeper / Moderator: Lee Boyar

Abigail Chamberlein (Faculty Mentor: Lee Boyar)
Congress Should Limit Stock Buybacks

Bryan Saeteros (Faculty Mentor: Lee Boyar)
Stock Buybacks and Why They Need to be Restricted

Shania Persaud, Tenzin Pelchok, Shadia Kronfel, Debora Carhuapoma, Emily Bartolin
(Faculty Mentor: Soloman Kone)
How Regulations Affect the Economy

Yi hang Chong, Yanbin Chen (Faculty Mentor: Soloman Kone)
Supply and Demand

E-147 Topics in Marketing, Economics, Philosophy, Biology, and Computer Science

Faculty Timekeeper / Moderator: Praveenkumar Khethevath

Alla Elnagdy, David Sanchez, Eric Jimbo, Qi Xie (Faculty Mentor: Nicole Lytle)
How to Promote an Emerging Artist

Masis Akdemir, Sacheth Lama (Faculty Mentor: Praveenkumar Khethevath)
Encryption Using Matrices and RSA

Arthur Shahzad (Faculty Mentor: Dana Trusso)
War: Right or Wrong?

Brittini Tavares (Faculty Mentor: Soloman Kone)
US Impact on Latin American Economies

Nozila Ziyaeva
Mitochondria During Sea Urchin Oogenesis

E-221 Politics of Housing and Development

Faculty Timekeeper / Moderator: M. Anne O'Reilly

Jamie Sanchez (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
The Homeless Shelter Crisis in Bushwick

Elvis Moyolema (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
The Effects of the Lack of Affordable Housing in Queens

Si Man Ao Leong (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
How Increasing Housing Prices Might Impact Local Renters in Kensington

Cristina Celina (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
Airbnb and Its Effects on the Community

E-262 Social Justice and the Environment
Faculty Timekeeper / Moderator: Sunaina Singh

Marie Dere (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
Marginal Communities Fight Back Against Environmental Racism

Andre Dunkley (Faculty Mentor: Amit Aggarwal)
The Role of Carbon Nanotubes in Funneling Solar Energy

Menchie Adaya (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
Inequality in Environmental Racism

Jolanta Daniel (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
The Negative Influence on Health Living Near LaGuardia Airport

11:30 am -12:15 pm – Second Sessions:

E-264 Diversity and Urban Space
Faculty Timekeeper / Moderator: M. Anne O'Reilly

Andrew Kantono (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
An Analysis of Diversity Plaza

Hebatallah Mostafa (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
Egyptian Immigration to the United States and Little Egypt

Yejin Lee (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
Waterfront Development in Astoria is Gentrifying the Neighborhood

Xiyi Zu (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
How New York Chinatown Grew After World War II

E-221 Literature, Language, Identity
Faculty Timekeeper / Moderator: James Wilson

Vladimir Severino (Faculty Mentor: James Wilson)
The Spoils of War: An Analysis of How WWII Affected America's Identity

Nicole Sanchez (Faculty Mentor: Karlyn Koh)
M. Butterfly

Daniela Vivar (Faculty Mentor: Karlyn Koh)
English vs. Home Language

LJ Williams (Faculty Mentor: Karlyn Koh)
Jazz/Blues in Sonny's Blues: Self-Expression, Community, and Catharsis

George Varvatsoulis
Larry Kramer and the Power of the Normal Heart

E-262 Age and the City
Faculty Timekeeper / Moderator: Amit Aggarwal

Shont Barsomian (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
Affordable Housing for Senior Citizens in Our Community

Tenzin Pelchok (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
Playground: A Part of Children's Lives

Hang Yin (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
The Aging Population in New York City

Xochil Sanchez (Faculty Mentor: Arianna Martinez)
Pre-K Programs in Woodhaven, New York

ROOM E-242
12:30 pm: Lunch Greetings

Dr. Filip Stabrowski, Honors Conference Co-Chair

Presidential Remarks
Dr. Gail Mellow, President, LaGuardia Community College

Presentation and Launch of the Third Honors Journal
Dr. Lee Boyar

Student Greetings
Arthur Shahzad, George Varvatsoulis and Shania Persaud, HSAC Co-MCs

1:00pm: Lunch



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