

Hello from IURS. Plans are underway for IURS-10 which will be held at Wilmington College Wilmington, Ohio U.S.A.

We at Wilmington College are finishing our fall semester and I assume that you are also. Hopefully you had some good students doing research and that you and your students will continue during the Spring Semester. I am looking forward to having you and your students attend and make research presentations at IURS-10. If students have not started doing research there is still time to do so.

I would recommend that anyone who has not obtained a passport do so and that they should also start the visa process.

I am sure that your students are doing very interesting research and we would very much like to hear about it. My undergraduate research students have just finished reporting on their research. Stephanie talked about her research on the effect of massive amounts of organic matter, added to soil, on corn growth. Hana talked about her progress in integrating HPLC in to the Chemistry Laboratory Curriculum and Lacey talked about the organic contaminants found using, GC-MS, in a stream that flows through the campus.

The International Undergraduate Research Symposium (IURS) will be held at Wilmington College May 15 to 19, <u>2017</u>. This will be the 10<sup>th</sup> symposium i.e., IURS-10. I am expecting up to 50 local and international attendees from around the world, for example from Serbia, Montenegro, Kenya, the Philippines, India, the US and Fiji. We will have the opportunity to have some activities in our new science building called the Center for Science and Agriculture (CAS) during the Symposium.

I am the International Director of the International Undergraduate Symposium and work at Wilmington College and I will be the contact person for this event. It is best to contact me using the internet. If you or your students are not familiar with IURS please take the opportunity to visit iursymposium.org.

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