

SIUE's Allen published in international journal UReCA

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EDWARDSVILLE - *UReCA: The National Collegiate Honors Council* (NCHC) *Journal of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity* has published "Research in Contemporary Painting," a <u>series of visual art pieces</u> by Sutton Allen, of Highland, a junior in Southern Illinois University Edwardsville's College of Arts and Sciences. This year's journal was officially released during the 53rd NCHC Annual Conference Nov. 7-11 in Boston.

"Research in Contemporary Painting' is very thought-provoking," said an editorial team member of *UReCA*, a peer-reviewed web journal of the NCHC. "The artist clearly understands the history of the craft and chose a variety of subject matter, from iconic scenes to abstract ideas."

UReCA provides a publication venue for undergraduates with works that make a significant contribution to their respective fields of study and can range from microbiology to musical composition. Through an online platform, *UReCA* encourages interdisciplinary creative activity and research, especially among undergraduates.

"Being published in *UReCA* is a huge honor," said Brian J. White, PhD, *UReCA* faculty advisor and College of Arts and Sciences dean at Graceland University. "*UReCA* features only a handful of interdisciplinary works from among the best in the nation and abroad."

The journal selects from undergraduate submissions received throughout the year. The entries represent a wide range of subjects, including creative works, scientific studies and humanities research. Submissions are accepted on a rolling basis from August through August. For this year's third issue of the journal, only 25 student submissions were accepted. *UReCA* typically only publishes 15 to 18 percent of submissions.

<u>UReCA</u> is an online, peer-reviewed journal that fosters the exchange of intellectual and creative work between undergraduate students, providing a platform where students can engage with and contribute to the advancement of their individual fields. For more information on UReCA, contact Russell Helms at 423-364-4860 or nche.ureca@gmail.com.

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