2ND ANNUAL
THREE MINUTE THESIS
COMPETITION

Presented by the Graduate School in partnership
with the Graduate Student Association

WED. | APRIL 4, 2018 | 6-8PM
NEWMAN ALUMNI CENTER
ABOUT THE COMPETITION

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EVENT PROGRAM

6:00 p.m.  Welcome and Opening Remarks
6:10 p.m.  Competition Commences
7:00 p.m.  People’s Choice Award Voting
7:05 p.m.  Networking Reception
7:35 p.m.  Awards Ceremony
Three Minute Thesis Competition
Graduate Student Research Symposium
7:55 p.m.  Closing Remarks
2018 COMPETITORS
(in order of appearance)

Philip Staudigel
Ph.D. in Marine Geosciences, Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science

Dissertation: Application of Clumped Isotopes in the Study of Marine Diagenesis

Advisor: Dr. Peter Swart

Carter Morgan
Ph.D. in Business, Marketing, Miami Business School

Dissertation: After the Nudge: Exploring How Defaults Affect Consumers After the Choice

Advisor: Dr. Claudia Townsend

Julián Brijaldo
D.M.A. in Composition, Frost School of Music

Dissertation: At the Edge of Hope, a Cantata for the Everyday Colombian

Advisor: Dr. Dorothy Hindman

Kilan C. Ashad-Bishop
Ph.D. in Cancer Biology, Miller School of Medicine

Dissertation: The Role of LBH in Promoting Basal-Like Breast Cancer

Advisor: Dr. Karoline Briegel
Haley Mathis
Ph.D. in Philosophy, College of Arts and Sciences

**Dissertation:** Care Ethics: Morality Without Responsibility

**Advisor:**
Dr. Michael Slote

Summer D. DeBastiani
Ph.D. in Nursing, School of Nursing and Health Studies

**Dissertation:** A Population-Based Assessment of Suicide Risk

**Advisor:**
Dr. Anne Norris

Belen Fadrique
Ph.D. in Biology, College of Arts and Sciences

**Dissertation:** Forest Dynamics in the Andes-Amazon Region: Distribution of Native Woody Bamboo and Its Effect on Ecology and Physiology

**Advisor:**
Dr. Kenneth Feeley

(Competitors continued on next page)
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Alvaro Ruiz Emparanza
Ph.D. in Civil Engineering, College of Engineering

Dissertation: Durability of GFRP Rebars Under Aggressive Environments

Advisor:
Dr. Francisco De Caso y Basalo

Narciso Quidley-Rodriguez
Ph.D. in Nursing, School of Nursing and Health Studies

Dissertation: Sexual Decision-Making Among Men Who Identify as Bears

Advisor:
Dr. Joseph De Santis

Andrea M. Peters
Ph.D. in Industrial Engineering, College of Engineering

Dissertation: Finding Efficiencies in Personal Power Autonomy (PPA) Through the Development and Implementation of the Total Scavenging System Concept (tTSSC)

Advisor:
Dr. Shihab Asfour
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