



2014 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CEREMONY

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE AND HUMAN SERVICES

This 2014 SSHS FACULTY-STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD goes to **BROOKE JAMISON**.

Brooke worked with Professor Aaron Lorenz on research entitled *Bullying Gone Viral* which addresses the prevalence of bullying within the K-12 education system.

Brooke wrote a 20+ page paper that addressed some of the contemporary issues regarding technology and bullying. She notes that the media has been broadcasting issues on the topic more. Bullying is a social issue that is developing from the original face to face interaction. Many schools have been dealing with this issue, but it gets sticky with how much should they do in order to cease the problem between students and when should it be handled outside of school. Bullying continues to occur within the school systems and it has increased to become more than just verbal harassment. Bullying is now developing into more extreme forms because of the evolution of technology such as through the media outlets of Facebook, Twitter, and via mobile devices. There should be stronger laws and policies against bullying in schools, including not only harassment during school hours, but also cyberbullying using social media.

Her work was presented at the Northeastern Political Science Association Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in November 2013.

Some of Brooke's other highlights include: Dean's List, President of Rho Gamma Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, United Culture Greek Council Social Chair member, Order of Omega Honor Society, Chi Alpha Epsilon Honor Society and Desk Attendant of the Year. She was also trip leader for the 2013 Alternative Spring Break in the Dominican Republic.

After graduation, Brooke plans to attend Montclair University to pursue a master's degree in Counseling with a concentration in Student Affairs and Higher Education.