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Welcome to the second edition of St. John Fisher College's *Undergraduate Review*. The first review was published in the Fall of 1997 by an Honors Program student as a journal of original, undergraduate student research. When we took on this project, we also took it on as an independent study for the Honors Program with the intent to publish undergraduate research work. Upon receiving this project, we immediately decided that we wanted to expand it. We wanted it to be a very diverse journal composed of sufficiently different topics to meet the interests of any potential reader. Our efforts, as shown on the following pages, resulted in a journal composed of twelve very interesting papers based on a variety of different topics written by fourteen very talented undergraduate students.

The twelve papers are grouped within similar topics. The first three papers deal with the topic of education: Tina Bianchi examines research literature regarding the use of multicultural education in classrooms, and she concludes her research with a case study and two educator interviews; Erin Ells examines Asperger's Syndrome and the effects that it can have on the classroom environment and the necessary methods needed to make the inclusion of an AS child in a classroom successful; and Jeremy Peters discusses inclusion and how it can be successful for inclusive and non-inclusive children. The next two essays discuss apartheid: Andrew Phillips discusses the emergence of Bantu Education under South Africa's apartheid system and the effects that it had on the black students within that system, and Melinda Laber discusses the many different ways that the women of South Africa resisted the system of apartheid, focusing on the differences between the white women's struggle and the black women's struggle. The next two essays deal with topics in accounting: Gabriella Sasso explains the FASB's Conceptual Framework Project and the positive and negative impact that it has had on the field of accounting, and Nichole Calhoun examines the reasons why the task of setting standards for the accounting profession should remain in the hands of the private sector instead of being turned over to the government.

The last five papers deal with current issues in culture and technology. Daniel Brown examines the civil war game battle of Antietam from the Blue & Gray Series and conducts an analysis of its realism and application. Brian Schmidt discusses the new DVD player and its effect on the market, with an emphasis on CD's. Stephen Cannuli examines the differences between small and large market sports franchises and the effect that media has on their successes. Jamie Siglow researches the effect that alcohol can have on a family and the many roles that can emerge in a family that has an alcoholic member. Finally, Kati Cole, Russell Lyons, and Deborah Cary examine the emergence of the Euro and its effects on regional economic integration and IBM.

We are very pleased with the final product and are very glad that we took on this difficult task. We would like to thank all of the faculty members who responded to our request to encourage their students to submit papers, Dr. Vanderbilt, our Honors Program director and faculty advisor for this project, for getting us started, and lastly, but most importantly, we would also like to thank all of the students who submitted their papers. Without their work and effort we would not have been able to accomplish our goals. We thank you for your time and support. Congratulations to all whose papers were published.

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