

EDITOR'S NOTE

In an effort to create a tangible representation of the successes of the Political Science department and embody Learn by Doing, we undertook the creation of *Paideia*, an academic journal full of student work.

Defined in laymen's terms as moral self-development, the name Paideia was chosen in an attempt to create purposeful education through a gamut of perspectives on the world. Our desire is that these discussions of political phenomena, themes, and events will evoke understanding of and a response to current world problems.

When we set out on this journey in the fall, we had abstract ideas, lofty ambitions and little understanding of how to produce a journal. A year full of blood, sweat, and tears coupled with extraordinary support from faculty and staff turned our nebulous goals into a collection of papers bound together to construct an academic journal.

We hope that what you are holding in your hands will one day be a long standing tradition within the Political Science department.

As you read, step into this vision of ours, and enjoy the endless possibilities that political discourse has to offer in this first volume of *Paideia*.

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