



# RELIGIOUS STUDIES UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH CONFERENCE

FRIDAY, APRIL 22ND, 2016 AT 9:30 AM- 12:00PM  
MSU MUSEUM AUDITORIUM (2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR)

The Department of Religious Studies offers a broad range of classes from which students can tailor their specific interests. Come hear some of our Spartans, along with some special guests from Kalamazoo College and CMU, discuss their current research!

## SPEAKER PANEL

**Rosty Chen (MSU):** *Understanding the Complexity of Hindu Soma*

**Josh Schnell (MSU):** *Virashaiva Mortuary Practices*

**David Sutherland (MSU):** *Hospital Chaplaincy: Spiritual Guidance in American Healthcare*

**Joana Garcia (K College):** *Santa Muerte on the Ground: Uncovering the Myth Behind the Skeleton Saint*

**Wendy Rubio (K College):** *Open Wounds in San Francisco: The Effect of Gentrification in the Mission District*

**Kalyn Campbell (K College):** *Saint Veneration Among Women in Morocco*

**Elise Houcek (K College):** *Hinduism at the End of Life: How Can we Improve our System of Care?*

**Kara Wilson (CMU):** *Public Relations and Religion: The Life and Legacy of Paul*

**Jessica Winslow (CMU):** *Sexual Assault and Traditional Christian and Feminist Body Theologies*

**Alec Burch (CMU):** *Exploring the Sacred Elements of Cinema in a Galaxy Far, Far Away...*

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