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## 19TH ANNUAL STUDENT RESEARCH AND IDEAS FAIR

We are very proud to host our 19th annual Student Research and Ideas Fair.

This event provides a unique opportunity for students to present the results of their research to our scholarly community. Knowledge mobilization is a very important aspect of academic work, connecting researchers with knowledge users both within and beyond the university. Presenting research in a public forum not only advances knowledge and contributes to ongoing scholarly debates, but also contributes to broader policies and practices within our communities.

The Student Research and Ideas Fair also underscores the goals of a liberal education that are at the heart of our mission at St. Thomas University:

- An independent, inquiring mind;
- A breadth of knowledge and depth of understanding;
- An awareness of the perennial questions and new challenges facing humanity;
- A depth and consistency of moral judgement;
- An ability to write and speak with clarity and precision.

St. Thomas University students are well aware of the value of these goals. You know through your engagement with your professors and your fellow students that the exploration of controversial and competing ideas requires informed, careful, and considered judgement. And you know that the education that you have received here at St. Thomas University will prepare you for the next stage of your own personal journeys, wherever they may take you.

To all of you who are participating in this year's Fair, I offer my heartfelt congratulations.



Dr. Kim Fenwick  
President and Vice-Chancellor (Acting)

