The 9th Annual CLAS Undergraduate Research Symposium

• **Program:**
  In an effort to encourage undergraduate research initiatives, to promote faculty mentoring of undergraduate research efforts, and to highlight the value of research to undergraduate education at the University of Florida, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will sponsor the 9th annual research symposium.

• **Eligibility and Nominations:**
  Each department or degree program is eligible to nominate 3 students. The departments and programs will be expected to rank the student projects that are nominated for the award. The research project may be completed in any 3000, 4000, IDS, or honors thesis class during this academic year, 1998/99. The College Committee will accept nominations up to but not later than February 15, 1999. Nominations should include a copy of the research project (or as many chapters as have been completed), a letter from the faculty supervisor, and a letter from the chair or undergraduate coordinator ranking the project and assessing its scholarly contribution.

• **Selection Process:**
  The Undergraduate Research Symposium Committee will select from the nominations a maximum of 24 student research projects (8 each in the humanities, sciences, and social sciences) for recognition and will coordinate a presentation of the students’ research on a Saturday morning, April 10, 1999.

• **Presentation of Research Projects:**
  The students will present their papers in two time blocks on Saturday morning, April 10, 1999 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and from 10:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Reitz Union (the new addition). Sessions in the humanities, sciences, and social sciences will run concurrently with four students presenting a summary of their work for approximately 12-15 minutes each to a public audience.

• **Award Ceremony for Students and Faculty:**
  The College will hold a luncheon in the Keene Faculty Center for students, their parents, chairs, and faculty mentors following the morning sessions. Students selected for this honor will receive a plaque at the luncheon. Faculty who supervised the research of the award winners will also be recognized at that time. In addition, the College will recognize both students and faculty at the Fall Convocation and in CLASnotes and Alumni CLASnotes.