Introduction
Colgate Academic Review

It is in the spirit of the inaugural edition that we print the second edition of the Colgate Academic Review. Among the thousands of papers submitted every semester at Colgate University, we present thirteen that truly capture the essence of the intellectualism that represents Colgate. The authors of these papers are recognized here for their accomplishments, a pinnacle of undergraduate success. The papers’ varied topics share cohesion through the level of academic success of each. The Colgate Academic Review is provided as a forum for intellectual discourse and recognition. The Review is an extension of the Student Lecture Forum, which seeks to foster the growth of the academic climate at Colgate.

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Student Lecture Forum

The Student Lecture Forum seeks to foster a vibrant and student-led intellectual climate at Colgate University. Through identifying engaged students and providing them with a venue where they can passionately pursue their intellectual interests outside of the classroom, the Student Lecture Forum intends to stimulate the everyday life of the University towards the end of the ideal collegiate environment.

For Colgate University to become the University it aspires to be, a place where intellectual discourse is customary and the traditional division between the academic and social life of a student is removed entirely, the student body must take the initiative of creating and organizing events and institutions that promote this goal in a positive and productive manner. The Student Lecture Forum believes that the potential for this University is clear.

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