2019 GRAD SLAM COMPETITORS

Parinaz Abiri, BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING
Keeping Up The Rhythm – The Little Pacemaker That Could

Ife Akinyela, EDUCATION
Can Hip Hop Save My Education?

Eunjoo An, NURSING
Shouldn’t We All Be Practicing Mindfulness?

Alina Arsieniev-Koehler, SOCIOLOGY
What Are We Teaching Our Algorithms?

Comfort Azubuko-Udah, ENGLISH
Charismatic Spaces of African Literature

Claudia Bautista Perales, SOCIAL WELFARE
Day Laborer Mental Health in LA County

Katherine Bay, CHEMISTRY
Breaking Bonds To Generate Liquid Fuels

Erika Becker, SOCIAL SCIENCES
The Neurotic Spouse

Jon Bogard, ANDERSON SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT
What Do We Think About Inequality? It Depends How You Ask

Kailie Briza, ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES
Combating Antibiotic Resistance

Wadie Chalgham, ENGINEERING
Smart Gas Pipeline Leak Detection System

Hannah (Hsing-Fang) Chang, INTEGRATIVE BIOLOGY & PHYSIOLOGY
Where is the physical Trace of Memory?

Tsang-Kai Chang, ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING
Autonomous Robots Inspired By Brains

Te-Kang Chao, MECHANICAL & AEROSPACE ENGINEERING
Help Spinal Cord Injured Individuals Walk Again!

Katherine Cho, EDUCATION
The Perception Of Progress

Allison Daly, MOLECULAR BIOLOGY
Your Immune System, Your Best Friend Or Worst Enemy?

Will Davis, ARCHITECTURE
Palm Politics: Warfare, Folklore And Architecture

Michelle Flores Espinosa, MATERIALS SCIENCE & ENGINEERING
Tiny Helpers: Nanowires Boosting Green Energies

Joseph Friedman, MEDICINE
Ending Medical Segregation In LA

Andrea Gambino, EDUCATION
Rethinking Critical Pedagogies: Learning Contexts Across The U.S. & China

Aleksandr Gorin, IMMUNOLOGY
Designing An HIV Vaccine

Symone Gyles, EDUCATION
Unnatural Disasters: The Reframing Of Science Education Through A Community-Based Environmental Justice Approach

Stanley Harris, EDUCATION
District Leadership Best Practices With Innovative Technology Adoption

Gerald Higginbotham, PSYCHOLOGY
You Play A Sport, Right? Race Bias In Student Vs. Student-Athlete Categorization

Kosuke Inoue, EPIDEMIOLOGY
Opioid and Money

Lisa Kawakami, CHEMISTRY
Nanotechnology For Early Stage Cancer Detection

Dohyun Kwon, MATHEMATICS
Math Saves Our World

Ryan Lannan, BIOCHEMISTRY
What Makes Cells Different

Alex Lee, MOLECULAR BIOLOGY
Turning Strengths into Weaknesses: Attacking Brain Cancer with the Immune System

Lionel Levine, COMPUTER SCIENCE
What Happens When Your Life Becomes Part Of A Computer Game?

Xiaofei Lin, BIOCHEMISTRY
Decrypting The Immune System Code

Nyasha Maforo, BIOMEDICAL PHYSICS
At The Heart Of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy

Patricia McNeil, MATERIALS SCIENCE & ENGINEERING
Energy Saving Windows

Bita Mesri, PSYCHOLOGY
Quality Improvements of Mental Health Services

Teruko Mitsuhara, ANTHROPOLOGY
“Feminism Failed Me” Understanding Women’s Conversion to Fundamentalist Religion

Alfonso Molina, MEDICINE AND MPH / HEALTH POLICY & MANAGEMENT
Increased Incidence of Nocardial Infections in an Era of Atovaquone Prophylaxis in Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant Recipients

Samantha Morse, ENGLISH
A Dreadful History

Jennifer Ngo, BIOCHEMISTRY
Rejuvenating the Human Battery

Karime Parodi Ambel, SPANISH
Bias Against Women Victims Of Sexual Assault In The Chilean Legal System

Pavlo Pinchuk, ASTRONOMY
Presentation title not disclosed at this time

Asif Razee, PHYSIOLOGY
Circuit-Based Understanding Of Learning And Memory in Larval Zebrafish (Danio Rerio)

Javier Rodriguez, SOCIAL WELFARE
Prison to Schools Pipeline

Christopher Rorke, ETHNOMUSICOLOGY – Musical Sincerity And Modern Life

Matthew Scheible, ORAL BIOLOGY
Thank You For Brushing: How Oral Microbes Can Impact Distant Organs

Catherine Schweppe, NEUROSCIENCE
Rewiring The Brain After Stroke

Alexander Sercel, MOLECULAR BIOLOGY
Recharging the Batteries of Life

Jessica Shropshire, PSYCHOLOGY
More Than Just A Feminine Face: Observers Use Gendered Facial Cues to Disassociate Women with Male-Dominated Career Fields

Eric Siegel, ANDERSON SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT
Mission Control: A Central Approach to Patient Transfers

Kelly Strathmore, FILM & TELEVISION
Positive Portrayals of Underrepresented Groups in Successful, yet Academically & Critically Overlooked Television Shows

Victoria Sun, MOLECULAR BIOLOGY
Creating Cancer-Fighting Cells In A Dish

Allyson Terry, PHARMACOLOGY
Securing The Health Of Organ Transplant Recipients

Ayantu Tibeso, INFORMATION STUDIES
To Discover Yourself Not Existing: Archival Erasure In Ethiopia

Emily Towner, SOCIAL SCIENCES
Curiosity And Learning: Curiosity Did Not Kill The Cat

Deniz Turan, ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING
Bringing Terahertz Waves from Laboratory to the Public

Ethan Van Buren, LAW
Paying Big Brother: Legal Loopholes in Electronic Monitoring

Muhammed Velii, ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING
A Point-Of-Care Platform To Monitor Human Microbiome

Hongda Wang, ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING
Virtual Histology Powered By AI

David Wiss, PUBLIC HEALTH
Gut-Based Interventions to Improve Recovery Outcomes

Dahal Yue, HEALTH POLICY & MANAGEMENT
Education As A Solution For Rising Health Expenditure

Ken Zhao, ATMOSPHERIC & OCEANIC SCIENCES
Oceans Melting Greenland From Below
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