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## LETTER FROM THE POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

The Political Science Department is proud to present the second edition of the *Susquehanna University Political Review*. This journal presents some of the best undergraduate research on politics that has been done by Susquehanna students, highlighting the work that three seniors have done through their capstone projects during the academic year. In addition to recognizing the scholarship of more senior students, we also hope that this journal will encourage upcoming students in their research efforts by showing them the quality of work that can be done by students who engage in research that is both rigorous and engaging. Congratulations to Berkeley Chapman, Rachel Gilbert, and Bruce Osborn for setting the bar high for future students.

To further student appreciation of scholarly works, we are also pleased to present the work of one faculty member in each edition; thank you to Dr. Hendriks for offering her work this year.

While the journal is supported by the Department, the work is done by the student editorial board which solicits and reviews manuscripts, chooses the finalists, and edits the final copy. This journal would not exist without the many hours of work they put into this project. The final product is a testament to their efforts. Thanks to this year's editorial board:

Matthew Getz, Class of 2012      Geoffrey Wilson, Class of 2012

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