

# BRANIFF UNDERGRADUATE CONFERENCE IN THE LIBERAL ARTS

BRANIFF GRADUATE SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS | UNIVERSITY OF DALLAS

February 4th & 5th, 2022



KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Dr. Bernadette Waterman Ward (University of Dallas, Literature)

PLENARY SPEAKER: Dr. Richard Dougherty (University of Dallas, Politics)

The Braniff Graduate Student Association of the University of Dallas is pleased to announce the fourth annual Braniff Undergraduate Conference in the Liberal Arts to be held at the University of Dallas. This conference aims to recover and renew the Western heritage of liberal arts and the Christian intellectual tradition in pursuit of *eudaimonia*, the good life.

We invite juniors, seniors, and recent college graduates with a love for the liberal arts to submit papers of no more than 2500 words. Preference will be given to papers conversant with the great works of the Western tradition.

Previous paper topics have included:

- *The Happiest Union: Aristotelian Virtue in Jane Austen*
- *Natural Law Theories on Capital Punishment*
- *The Song of Moses as Confirmation of Israel's Political Character in Deuteronomy*
- *Spiritual Reality and its Substitutes in the Life and Letters of Flannery O'Connor*

We welcome presentations in liberal arts disciplines including—but not limited to—philosophy, literature, politics, theology, classics, fine art, history, education, psychology, and economics, and drawing from the classical, medieval, modern, or contemporary period.

Submit papers to [UDundergradconference@gmail.com](mailto:UDundergradconference@gmail.com). Please include a separate cover letter with your name, presentation title, email address, and institutional affiliation.

**Submissions are due no later than November 30th, 2021.** Presenters will be notified of their acceptance by December 15th, 2021. This conference is for undergraduate scholars and recent graduates only, and as such no submissions by graduate students will be accepted.

The conference will begin the evening of Friday, February 4th and end the evening of Saturday, February 5th.