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# Note from the Editorial Board

## On the publication of the first volume

We are proud to present the inaugural issue of *Sojourn*, the new undergraduate research journal for publishing the English-language work of students at bachelor programs in the Netherlands.

*Sojourn* was launched with the help of funding received from University College Utrecht in the academic year 2016-2017 in the context of a *Connect* project, aimed at creating links between students, alumni, academics, and the world beyond the university. The journal will appear twice a year and has a two-fold aim: apart from serving as a showcase for the diversity and quality of undergraduate research and writing, it aims to give students the opportunity to get acquainted with putting their work through an academic peer-review process. For this purpose, each paper is reviewed by at least one experienced academic and by one student or alumnus, and selected authors are asked to process their feedback.

We have been encouraged by an enthusiastic response from student writers in a variety of fields and from a variety of institutions. This first issue contains the best works of the many submissions that we received. We hope that reading these will inspire future bachelor students to publish their work with us so that it can reach an academic audience wider than that of their own bachelor program. After all, knowledge is meant to be shared.

We would also like to acknowledge the kind cooperation and enthusiasm of our reviewers. Given the increasing number of English-taught undergraduate programs in the Netherlands, we hope that *Sojourn* will provide a forum for outstanding undergraduate research produced by their students for many years to come. If you are a student wishing to submit a paper, or a colleague interested in acting as a reviewer for our next issue, we would love to hear from you.

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