



# All Things Ignatian



## Center for Undergraduate Research and Scholarship (CURAS)

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### CURAS Mission Statement

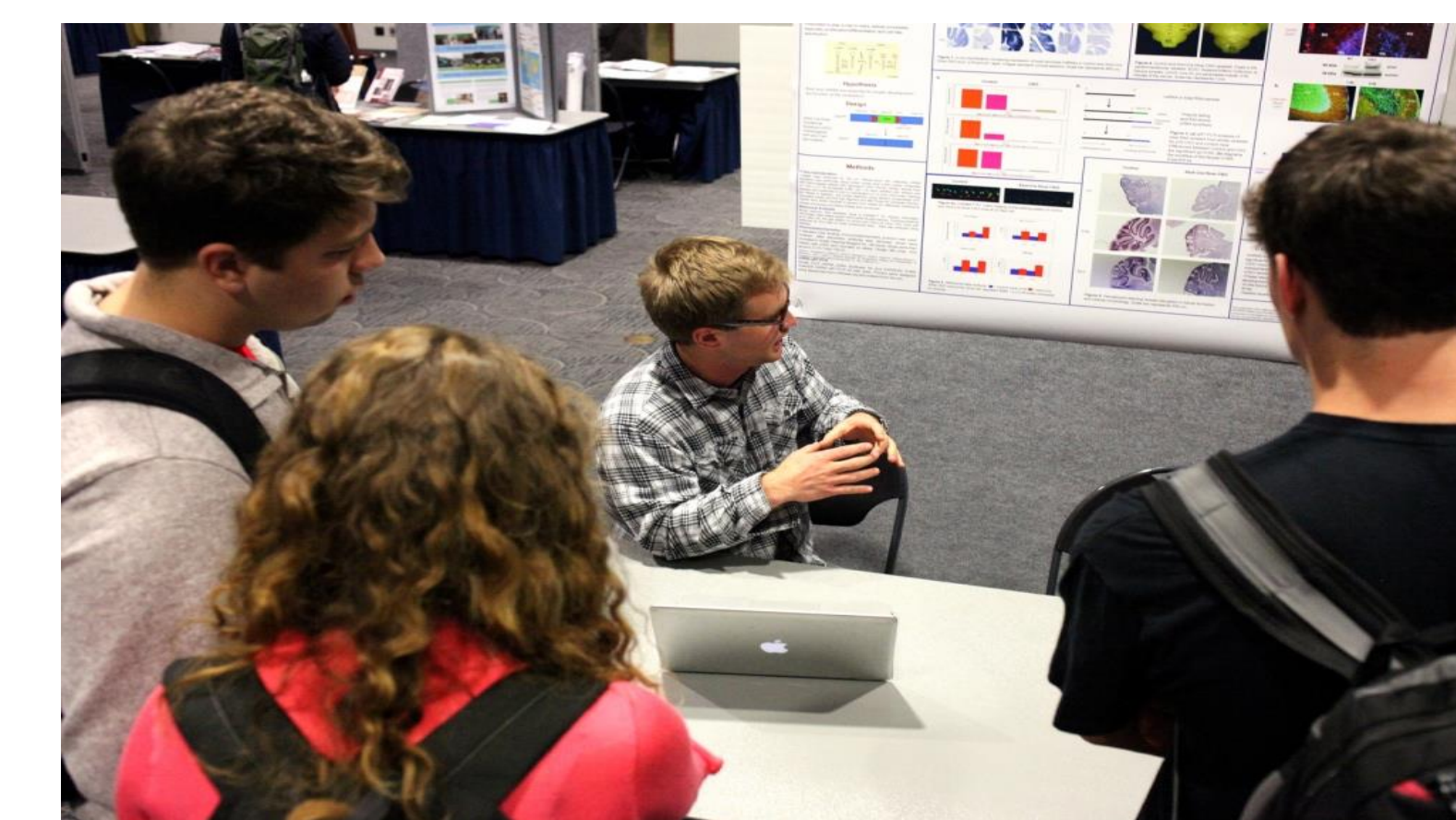
Integral to the greater mission of developing the whole person, the Center for Undergraduate Research And Scholarship (CURAS) facilitates undergraduate student participation in research and scholarly activity with faculty at Creighton University.



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### CURAS goals

- Provide a distinctive face for undergraduate research opportunity and accomplishment at Creighton
- Identify areas of undergraduate research strength and facilitate collaborative or interdisciplinary development of external grant applications to support undergraduate participation in research and scholarly activity.
  - National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates (NSF REU)*
- Coordinate efforts of existing scholarship programs that support undergraduate research and scholarly activity.
  - Organize summer undergraduate research fellow program*
  - Work with Scholarships & Fellowships Director*
- Create distinctive programming for students to develop leadership in research, such as certificate programs or multi-semester learning communities
  - Work with Advisory Board, Deans, Vice Provost for Research and EDGE to identify desired outcomes and design curricula*

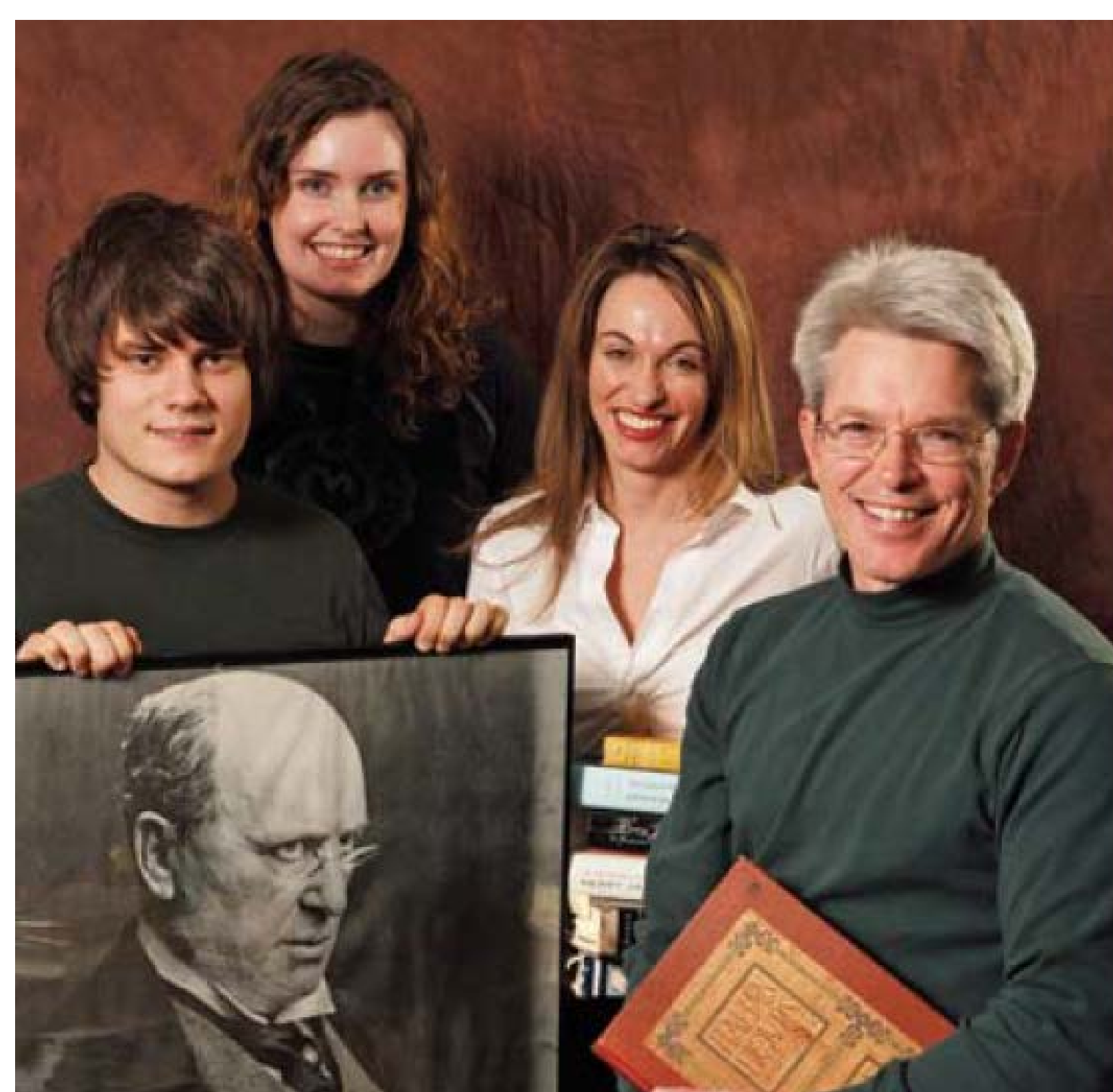


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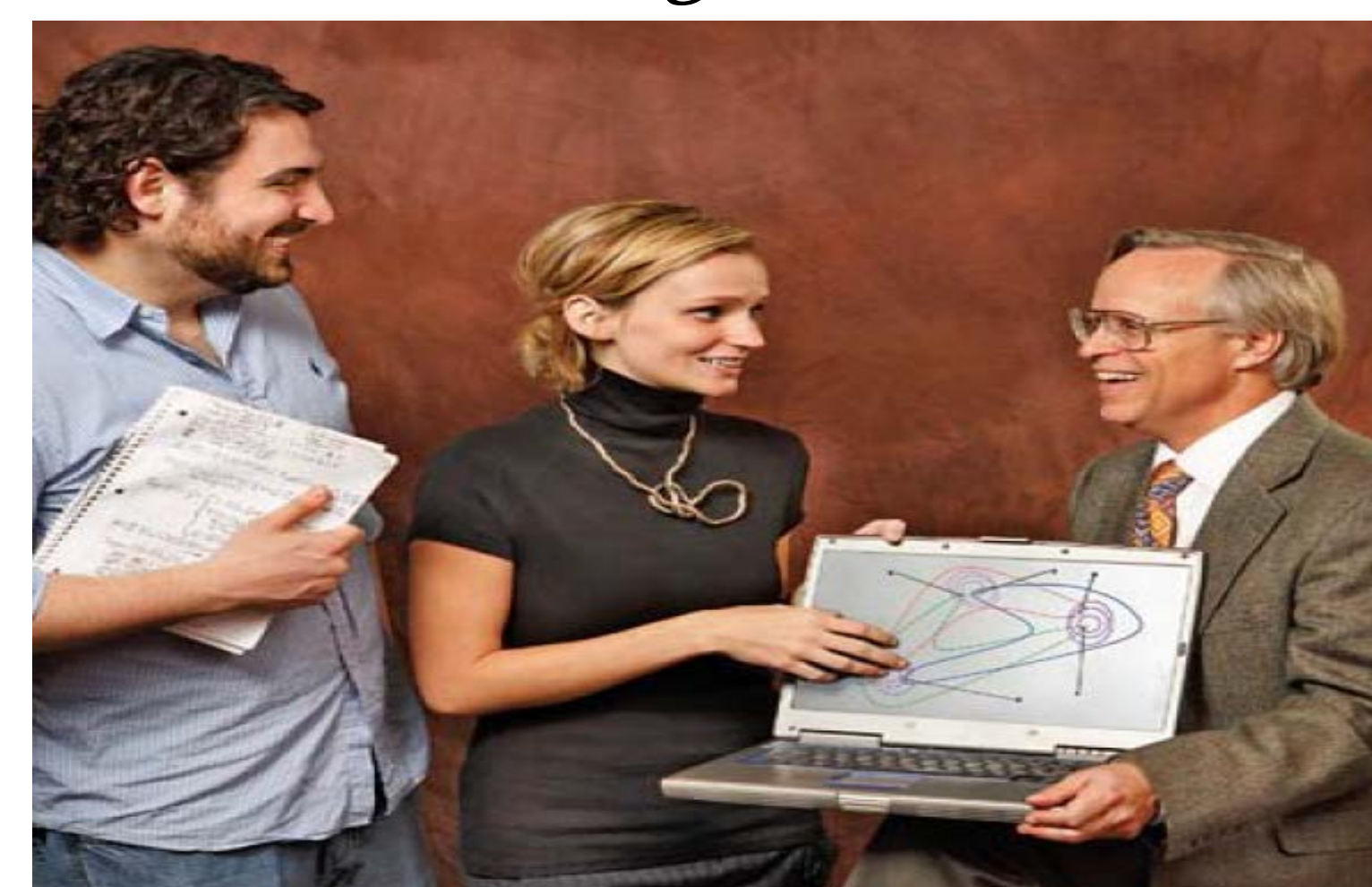
- Communicate outstanding undergraduate research and scholarly activity to prospective students and donors, and to the Omaha community.
  - Marketing and Communications*
  - Admissions – Jay Days, Admitted Student Days*
  - Community awareness*
- Serve as a point of information and contact for both undergraduate students and faculty to build bridges across academic units
  - Webpage development*
- Curate a portfolio of undergraduate student and faculty research and scholarly activity that reflects the collective effort of the University



Natalie, Ph.D. candidate, Harvard University  
National Science Foundation Graduate Fellow  
Undergraduate research with Dr. Garrett Soukup, Dr. Julie Soukup, & Dr. Steve Gross  
Kelley, Professional Science Masters, Oregon State University  
Project Manager, Sharklet Technologies  
Undergraduate research with Dr. Garrett Soukup & Dr. Julie Soukup



Henry James Center research team  
Undergraduate research with Dr. Greg Zacharias



Political science-mathematics "fuzzy math" research team  
Undergraduate research with Dr. Terry Clark & Dr. John Morleson

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### CURAS Future

- Spring programming for faculty & students
- CURAS Student Ambassadors Program
- Certificate in Undergraduate Research Program
- University Research Day – APRIL 1, 2014

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