

About Our Contributors

Lin Baumeister is majoring in English and History, and expects to graduate in 2017. Born in Southern California, she has lived in North Carolina for around five years now. Her academic accomplishments include presentations at Longwood University's "Meeting in the Middle" Undergraduate Medieval Conference and at Methodist University's Undergraduate Symposium. She plans to pursue graduate school following graduation and currently occupies herself studying the variegated mysteries of medieval literature.

Kyonghwa Bouriaque graduated May 2015 with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design, as well as a Bachelor of Arts in Painting. She enjoys painting and hopes to pursue her passion via logo design. In the future, she aspires to be a graphic designer or to continue her study of the fine arts.

Alexander Demitraszek is currently majoring in Financial Economics with a minor in Mathematics. He enjoys studying public choice economics as well as public finance. He plans to enter a PhD program following graduation and is currently hard at work on another research paper, dealing with foreign aid fungibility.

Miranda Jade Friel will graduate in May 2016 with a Bachelor of Arts in English as well as courses in Marketing and Business. In addition to founding the *Monarch Review*, her academic accomplishments include presenting papers at Longwood University's "Meeting in the Middle" Undergraduate Medieval Conference, the State of North Carolina Undergraduate Research and Creativity Symposium (SNCURCS), and Methodist University's Undergraduate Symposium. She is in training as a student writing consultant at MU's Writing Center and currently plans to pursue employment as a copy-editor following graduation.

Katlin Harris began playing the flute when she was eleven years old. Within three years of beginning, she knew that she had discovered her passion and now cannot imagine a life without it. She has already played in several pit orchestras and at other events in the area. She will graduate in Spring 2017 with a Music Performance major and a minor in History. She plans to continue her studies and eventually obtain her doctorate in Flute Performance.

Emory Jacobs plans to graduate December 2015 and will obtain a Bachelor of Arts in Music. Her favorite areas of study include Music History and Composition. In orchestration and musical composition, she works toward a

unique and pleasing style. Following graduation, she intends to pursue her love of music, either directly through content creation or indirectly through management and research.

Michele Jesus da Costa plans to become a professional photographer and graphic designer. A native of Brazil, she studied graphic design at Methodist, and her photographic composition, *Flammable Feather*, was featured on the cover of volume one of the *Monarch Review*. Having grown up in the *favelas*, the slum neighborhoods of Rio de Janeiro, she aspires to trust life, to appreciate beauty wherever she finds it, and to embrace what is new and good, even if it terrifies her. Michele continually finds ways to express her experience and learning through her art.

Mary Madison Kizer will be graduating in May 2016. She is an Accounting major, minoring in both Business Administration and Music. Her favorite aspect of accounting is cost accounting because she is interested in owning a small independent business or franchise. She plans to pursue her MBA, possibly at Methodist, and to obtain her CPA licensure.

Leslie Lingo expects to graduate May 2016 with a major in Social Work. Her stint at Methodist University follows a twelve-year career with the U.S. Army, where she served as a medic. She is the mother of a beautiful nine-year-old girl; served as the Chapter President of the Student Veterans of America for 2014–2015; and, among other things, recently completed an internship at the Federal Trade Commission. She says that her daughter is the “driving force behind her motivation to succeed in life.”

Bethany L. Little graduated Spring 2015 with a major in Mass Communications and concentrations in Journalism, Television, and Multimedia. She currently studies at Georgetown University in the Public Relations and Corporate Communications program, and aspires to be a strategic communication planner for the State Department. Her work has been published by *Time* magazine.

Cheri Molter is majoring in English, History, and Writing, with minors in religion and women's studies. She will graduate with a Bachelor of Arts from Methodist University in the spring of 2017. She has been recognized for academic excellence in several academic honor societies and has presented papers at the “Meeting in the Middle” Undergraduate Medieval Conference of Longwood University, the SNCURCS statewide research conference, and the Methodist University Undergraduate Symposium. Employed as a student writing consultant at the Writing Center at Methodist University, Cheri is happily married with three children—one son and two daughters—and lives in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

Tracy Raupp's current projected graduation date is May 2017, but she hopes to graduate early, in December 2016. She is majoring in Business Administration and Management, minoring in Marketing and Organizational Communication and Leadership, and earning her Associate's degree in Leadership and Management. With a range of interests as diverse as cosmology and cognitive science, she plans to gain insight into the business world and eventually open her own business "that can be focused on solving a problem for a few but has the possibility to serve many."

Shiva Sharma graduated from Methodist University in May 2015 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Healthcare Administration, which is his passion. Currently, he is volunteering at a hospital and studying for the MCAT, to prepare himself for a career as a physician.

Chelsea Smith is completing required courses for admission to the Physician Assistant program at Methodist. She graduated from MU with a Bachelor's in Psychology in May 2014.

Heather Swenson is majoring in studio art major with a concentration in painting and a minor in biology. Her intended graduation date is December 2016.

Fernando Tevez-Rosales graduated in May 2015 with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with a concentration in International Relations and a minor in Financial Economics. His interest is international law, and he is currently a Juris Doctor candidate at the Richmond School of Law. He hopes to carve a path in international litigation or become legal counsel for an intergovernmental organization.

Co-researchers with Chelsea Smith on experiment reported in "Textsperimenting":

Lindsay Stinson graduated in May 2015 and is currently pursuing her master's degree in Occupational Therapy at East Carolina University.

Rebekah Thompson graduated from Methodist and works at the Moore Regional Hospital in Pinehurst, North Carolina. She is the mother of ten-year-old Leah. She is currently applying to the Master's of Social Work program at the University of Southern California.