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Texas A&M-Corpus Christi Students Present Research Papers at South Texas Regional McNair Scholars Research Conference

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – Six students representing Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi presented papers at the annual South Texas Regional McNair Scholars Research Conference held Oct. 1-3 at the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas.

Texas A&M-Corpus Christi McNair Scholars giving presentations and their mentors were:

- Megan Crawford-Grime, a senior psychology major, presented on “Recognition Memory and Meditation: Countering the Influence of Stress.” Her mentor was Dr. Miguel Moreno.
- Amparo Diaz, a senior sociology major, presented on “Acculturation and Attitudes toward SB 1070: A Study of Mexican American College Students.” Her mentor was Dr. Bilaye Benibo.
- Samantha Hernandez, a senior political science major, presented “A Cross Analysis of Environmental Beliefs among Turkish Populations.” Her mentor was Dr. Joseph Jozwiak.
- Iza Martinez, a senior English and psychology major, presented “Dora Mirabal: Feminism in South Texas.” Her mentor was Dr. Charles Etheridge.
- Tabitha Perez, a junior English and history major, presented on “Along the Border: The Study of the South Texas Borderlands as an International Space and the Interaction of Different Cultures in Literature.” Her mentor was Dr. Elisabeth Mermann-Jozwiak.
- CeCe Pillado, a senior environmental science major, presented on “Contamination Level of Fishes in Three Texas Estuaries.” Her mentor was Dr. Greg Stunz.

The McNair Scholars program is a federally-funded program that provides first-generation, low-income, minority college students with paid internships and mentoring to prepare them for graduate school and to obtain a Ph.D.

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