Welcome to
Graduate Student Day
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Greetings,

On behalf of The Graduate School at the University of South Carolina, welcome to Graduate Student Day.

Held each spring, Graduate Student Day brings together a diverse group of scholars across all disciplines within the university community. This year we are showcasing the research and talent of more than 145 graduate students selected from 43 disciplines. Whether you are a member of the USC community, a judge, a volunteer, or a student-presenter, your participation today highlights the quality and importance of graduate research at Carolina.

Our competitions will be in four categories: Oral Research, Creative, Poster and the 3-Minute Thesis/Dissertation Speech. The public is invited to all sessions.

Graduate Student Day winners will be announced at the awards ceremony, where recipients of several other university and departmental awards will also be announced. The ceremony will take place from 1:30 to 2:30 pm. in the Russell House Ballroom. Please join us.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lacy Ford  
Dean of Graduate Studies

Dr. Jessica Elfenbein  
Sr. Associate Dean, The Graduate School
The Graduate School would like to thank the following:

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Graduate Student Day

SUNRISE SESSIONS

Sunrise Session Presenter and Judge Registration 7:30 – 8:30 AM
Russell House Ballroom

Poster Presentations 8:30 – 10:15 AM
Russell House 205, 302, 303, 304

Oral Research Presentations 8:30 – 10:15 AM
Callcott 003, 102 & 202; Sumwalt 305; Russell House 203, 305, 315
Wardlaw 126

3-Minute Thesis/Dissertation Speeches 8:30 – 10:15 AM
Russell House Theater

MIDMORNING SESSIONS

Midmorning Session Presenter and Judge Registration
9:30–10:30 AM  Russell House Ballroom

Poster Presentations, 10:30 AM – 12:15 PM
Russell House 205, 302, 303, 304

Oral Research Presentations, 10:30 AM –12:15 PM
Callcott 003, 102 & 202; Sumwalt 305, Russell House 203, 305, 315;
Wardlaw 126
Condensed Schedule

MIDMORNING SESSION, cont.

Creative Presentations, 10:30 – 12:15 PM, Wardlaw 126

LUNCH

All participants and judges are invited to lunch, compliments of The Graduate School and catered by chef Scott Hall from Bone-In Artisan Barbeque on Wheels.

Sunrise Session Presenters and Judges Lunch, 12:00 – 1:00 PM
Russell House Ballroom

Midmorning Session Presenters and Judges Lunch, 12:30 – 1:30 PM
Russell House Ballroom

AWARDS CEREMONY

Graduate Student Day Awards Ceremony, 1:30 – 2:30 PM
Russell House Ballroom

POST CEREMONY

Extended Research Demonstration, “Ghosts of the Horseshoe”
3:00–4:00 PM, on the Horseshoe (see an event description on p. 34)
Campus Maps

Russell House

Wardlaw
Campus Maps

Callcott Social Science Center

Sumwalt
ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30-10:15 a.m. Calcott 003

Qingsu Chen 8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m.
Biomedical Engineering

Jingjie Wu 8:50 a.m. 9:05 a.m.
Chemical Engineering

Hassan Ismail 9:10 a.m. 9:25 a.m.
Civil Engineering

Tawhid Rana 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.
Electrical Engineering

Xianming Dia 9:50 a.m. 10:05 a.m.
Mechanical Engineering

JUDGES
Dr. Angela Murphy, School of Medicine
Dr. Yordanka Ilieva, College of Arts & Sciences

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Calcott 102

Jui-Heng Tseng 8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m.
Biomedical Engineering

MD Islam 8:50 a.m. 9:05 a.m.
Chemical Engineering

Rahim Ghorbani 9:10 a.m. 9:25 a.m.
Civil Engineering
Hossen Mustafa
Computer Science & Engineering
9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.

Dhaval Salvi
Computer Science & Engineering
9:50 a.m. 10:05 a.m.

JUDGES
Dr. Michael Bizimis, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Lucia Pirisi-Creek, School of Medicine

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Calcott 202

Yu Cao
Computer Science & Engineering
8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m.

Pietro Cairoli
Electrical Engineering
8:50 a.m. 9:05 a.m.

Abdul Talukdar
Electrical Engineering
9:10 a.m. 9:25 a.m.

Xuan Zhao
Mechanical Engineering
9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.

Phyllis Mbewe
Civil Engineering
9:50 a.m. 10:05 a.m.

JUDGES
Dr. Cory Robinson, School of Medicine
Dr. Chris Williams, College of Engineering and Computing
ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Sumwalt 305

Zhiyong Wang 8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m.
Chemical Engineering

Xuehu Wang 8:50 a.m. 9:05 a.m.
Electrical Engineering

Jarrell Waggoner 9:10 a.m 9:25 a.m.
Computer Science and Engineering

Youjie Zhou 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.
Computer Science and Engineering

Ye Tian 9:50 a.m. 10:05 a.m.
Physics

JUDGES
Dr. Thomas Makris, College of Arts and Sciences
Dr. Roger Newman-Norlund, College of Arts and Sciences

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House 203

Brian Warby 8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m.
Political Science

Yue Hu 8:50 a.m. 9:05 a.m.
Political Science

Ali Masood 9:10 a.m 9:25 a.m.
Political Science
Clay Fuller                        9:30 a.m.        9:45 a.m.
Political Science

Evan Kutzler                        9:50 a.m.       10:05 a.m.
History

JUDGES
Dr. Stan Dubinsky, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Paul Solomon, College of Mass Communications & Information Studies

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House 305

Sueanna Smith                        8:30 a.m.       8:45 a.m.
English

Justine Wells                        8:50 a.m.       9:05 a.m.
English

Adriane Woods                        9:10 a.m.       9:25 a.m.
Spanish

Jennipher Griffin                   9:30 a.m.       9:45 a.m.
Teaching

Kimberly Howard                    9:50 a.m.       10:05 a.m.
Foundations of Education

JUDGES
Dr. Alexander Moore, USC Press
Dr. Mark Uline, College of Engineering and Computing
ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:35 a.m. Russell House 315

Peter Warren 8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Kassandra Alia 8:50 a.m. 9:05 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Andrea Lamont 9:10 a.m. 9:25 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Sara St. George 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Matthew Facciani 9:50 a.m. 10:05 a.m.
Experimental Psychology

Alexandria Reynolds 10:10 a.m. 10:25 a.m.
Experimental Psychology

JUDGES
Dr. Deborah Billings, Arnold School of Public Health
Dr. Jennifer Nyland, School of Medicine

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Wardlaw 126

Greg Harris 8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m.
Chemical Engineering

Ramin Madarshahian 8:50 a.m. 9:05 a.m.
Civil Engineering
Sabih Omar    9:10 a.m    9:25 a.m.
Electrical Engineering

Xing Zhao    9:30 a.m.    9:45 a.m.
Mechanical Engineering

Xin Chen    9:50 a.m.    10:05 a.m
Mechanical Engineering

JUDGES
Dr. Denise Finneran, Arnold School of Public Health
Dr. Andy Pope, Arnold School of Public Health

POSTER PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House 205

Pet Dawn LaRosa    8:30 a.m.
Teaching

DaBetta Smith    8:42 a.m.
Teaching

Helen Mulhern Halasz    8:54 a.m
Educational Administration

Chia-Hua Lin    9:06 a.m.
Philosophy

JUDGES
Dr. Joohyung Park, College of Hospitality, Retail & Sport Management
Dr. Maria C. Mabrey, College of Arts & Sciences
POSTER PRESENTATION  
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House 302

Andrea Pascui  
Chemistry & Biochemistry  
8:30 a.m.

Anshika Jain  
Biological Sciences  
8:42 a.m.

Khaleh Thomas  
Chemistry & Biochemistry  
8:54 a.m.

Ufuk Ozer  
Biological Sciences  
9:06 a.m.

Grandon Wilson  
Biological Sciences  
9:18 a.m.

Rupa Velidandla  
Pharmaceutical Sciences  
9:30 a.m.

Arjun Trivedi  
Physics  
9:42 a.m.

Shu Yan  
Physics  
9:54 a.m.

JUDGES  
Dr. Murray Mitchell, The Graduate School  
Dr. Scott White, College of Arts & Sciences
POSTER PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House 303

Jacob Rougeaux 8:30 a.m.
Earth & Environmental Resources Management

Erin Derrick 8:42 a.m.
Geological Sciences

Brittany Marshall 8:54 a.m.
Geological Sciences

Jessica Hogan 9:06 a.m.
Marine Science

Michael Philben 9:18 a.m.
Marine Science

Kristen Miller 9:30 a.m.
Environmental Health Sciences

Eva Preisner 9:42 a.m.
Environmental Health Sciences

Andrew Stroud 9:54 a.m.
Environmental Health Sciences

JUDGES
Dr. Susan Wood, School of Medicine
Dr. Glenda Alvarado, College of Mass Communications & Information Studies
POSTER PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House 304

Morgan Taylor
Health Policy, Education & Behavior
8:30 a.m.

Emily Heberlein
Health Policy, Education & Behavior
8:42 a.m.

Amira Osman
Health Policy, Education & Behavior
8:54 a.m.

Otis Owens
Health Policy, Education & Behavior
9:06 a.m.

Yi Jhen Li
Health Services Policy & Management
9:18 a.m.

Meng-han Tsai
Health Services Policy & Management
9:30 a.m.

Brittani Harmon
Health Services Policy & Management
9:42 a.m.

Grishma Bhavsar
Health Services Policy & Management
9:54 a.m.

JUDGES
Dr. Bradley Smith, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Gregorio Gomez, School of Medicine
3 MINUTE THESIS/DISSERTATION SPEECH
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House Theater

Grishma Acharya
Biological Sciences

Betsy Davis
Clinical-Community Psychology

Ekaterina Altman
Earth & Environmental Resources Management

Supratim Das Gupta
Economics

Matthew Boedy
English

Manali Baruah
Geography

Christopher Frear
Journalism

Michael Spicher
Philosophy

Suchit Sahai
Biomedical Engineering

Alycia Roberts
School Psychology
JUDGES
Dr. Jonathan Edwards, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Jessica Elfenbein, The Graduate School
Dr. Pat Malone, College of Arts & Sciences

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Callcott 003

Katherine Allen
Biological Sciences
10:30 a.m.  10:45 a.m.

Swati Tomar
Biomedical Sciences
10:50 a.m.  11:05 a.m.

Qiang Zhang
Chemistry & Biochemistry
11:10 a.m.  11:25 a.m.

Bridget Bachman
Marine Science
11:30 a.m.  11:45 a.m.

James McClinton
Geological Sciences
11:50 a.m.  12:05 p.m.

JUDGES
Dr. Srihari Nelakuditi, College of Engineering and Computing
Dr. Xiaomin Deng, College of Engineering and Computing
Dr. Guoan Wang, College of Engineering and Computing

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Callcott 102

Padmavathy Nandha Premnath
Pharmaceutical Sciences
10:30 a.m.  10:45 a.m.
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<td>11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.</td>
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<td>Yuan Shen</td>
<td>11:50 a.m. - 12:05 p.m.</td>
<td>Marine Science</td>
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**JUDGES**

Dr. Sara Rothenberg, Arnold School of Public Health  
Dr. Claudia Grillo, School of Medicine  
Dr. Melissa George, College of Arts & Sciences

**ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION**  
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Callcott 202

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<td>Biomedical Science</td>
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<td>Joseph Swanstrom</td>
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Tyler Evans  
Geological Sciences  
11:30 a.m.  11:45 a.m.

Kayla Pate  
Chemical Engineering  
11:50 a.m.  12:05 p.m.

JUDGES  
Dr. Adela Vraciu, College of Arts & Sciences  
Dr. Ken Watkins, Arnold School of Public Health  
Dr. Krishna Mandal, College of Engineering & Computing

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION  
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Russell House  203

Nino Danelia  
Mass Communications  
10:30 a.m.  10:45 a.m.

Ana Keshelashvili  
Mass Communications  
10:50 a.m.  11:05 a.m.

Wan Chi Leung  
Mass Communications  
11:10 a.m.  11:25 a.m.

Ashley Miller  
Mass Communications  
11:30 a.m.  11:45 a.m.

Yue Zheng  
Mass Communications  
11:50 a.m.  12:05 p.m.

JUDGES  
Dr. Jung-Hwan Kim, College of Hospitality, Retail & Sport Management  
Dr. Jim Kellogg, College of Arts & Sciences
ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Russell House 305

Amanda Cohen 10:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.
Retailing

Mariel Razalan 10:50 a.m. 11:05 a.m.
Retailing

Anne Meike Eilert 11:10 a.m. 11:25 a.m.
Business Administration

Bin Fang 11:30 a.m. 11:45 a.m.
Geological Sciences

Jessica Price 11:50 a.m. 12:05 p.m.
Geological Sciences

JUDGES
Dr. Mark Weist, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Stacy Fritz, Arnold School of Public Health

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 11:00 a.m.-12:25 p.m. Russell House 315

Naveed Sadiq 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m.
Health Services Policy & Management

Danielle Schoffman 11:20 a.m. 11:35 a.m.
Health Promotion, Education & Behavior

Kristin Van De Griend 11:40 a.m. 11:55 a.m.
Health Promotion, Education & Behavior
Carl Frisby 12:00 pm. 12:15 p.m.
Geological Sciences

JUDGES
Dr. Ray Thompson, Arnold School of Public Health
Dr. Rutvik Desai, College of Arts & Sciences

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Russell House Theater

Brian Smith 10:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.
Marine Science

Suvarthi Das 10:50 a.m. 11:05 a.m.
Environmental Health Sciences

Erin Howie 11:10 a.m. 11:25 a.m.
Exercise Science

Robin Shook 11:30 a.m. 11:45 a.m.
Exercise Science

JUDGES
Dr. Sudha Xirasagar, Arnold School of Public Health
Dr. Ehsan Jabbarzadeh, College of Engineering & Computing

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Sumwalt 305

Jessica Sido 10:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.
Biomedical Sciences
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<td>Mass Communications</td>
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<td>Elizabeth Price</td>
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**JUDGES**
- Dr. Lauren Clark, Office of Research
- Dr. Jon Goodall, College of Engineering & Computing

**POSTER PRESENTATION**
*Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Russell House 205*

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Caitlin Mans  
Public History  
11:30 a.m.

JUDGES  
Dr. Norma Frizzell, School of Medicine  
Dr. Satish Jayachandran, Moore School of Business

POSTER PRESENTATION  
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Russell House 302

Anahita Adbollahi Govar  
Chemical Engineering  
10:30 a.m

Mohsen Nikkhoo  
Chemical Engineering  
10:42 a.m.

Mohamed Morsy  
Civil Engineering  
10:54 a.m.

Jiting Xu  
Computer Science & Engineering  
11:06 a.m.

Md Nazmul Alum  
Electrical Engineering  
11:18 a.m.

Fatima Asif  
Electrical Engineering  
11:30 a.m.

Faisal Jahan  
Electrical Engineering  
11:42 a.m.

Sakib Mohammed Muhtadi  
Electrical Engineering  
11:54 a.m.
JUDGES
Dr. Li Chen, College of Engineering & Computing
Dr. Ralf Gothe, College of Arts & Sciences

POSTER PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Russell House 303

Leah Baker 10:30 a.m.
Environmental Health Sciences

Jessica Baer 10:42 a.m.
Exercise Science

Melissa Kolar 10:54 a.m.
Exercise Science

Joyce Middleton 11:06 a.m.
Exercise Science

Kamaljeet Kuar 11:18 a.m.
Exercise Science

Arpit Saxena 11:30 a.m.
Exercise Science

Dayna LeBlanc 11:42 a.m.
Physical Activity & Public Health

JUDGES
Dr. Eric Sevigny, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Linda Hazlett, Arnold School of Public Health
POSTER PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Russell House 304

Lauren Datillo            10:30 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Isha Metzger              10:42 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Sara Schmidt              10:54 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Danielle Willis           11:06 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Charity Griffin           11:18 a.m.
School Psychology

Jennifer Olejarczyk      11:30 a.m.
Experimental Psychology

Jing Wang                 11:42 a.m.
Experimental Psychology

Christina Braga           11:54 a.m.
Counselor Education

JUDGES
Dr. Lana Burgess, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Pamela Jewett, College of Education
CREATIVE PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Wardlaw 126

Brandi Ballard     10:30 a.m.
Creative Writing

Celia James, Amanda Knoll, Richard Walker                  10:55 a.m.
History

Devin Sherman, Andy Jurik   11:20 a.m.
Music Performance

JUDGES
Dr. Jennifer Arns, College of Mass Communications & Information Studies
Dr. Danny Jenkins, School of Music
Dr. Lorne Hofseth, College of Pharmacy
Graduate Student Day

RUSSELL HOUSE BALLROOM, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

WELCOME
Dr. Lacy K. Ford Jr.
Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies

OPENING REMARKS
Dr. Jessica Elfenbein
Senior Associate Dean, The Graduate School

Danielle Schoffman
President, Graduate Student Association

Wright Culpepper
Conference Organizer, The Graduate School

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Center for Teaching Excellence
Preparing Future Faculty (PFF)

PRESENTER: Dr. Christy Friend

Office of the Vice President for Research
Support to Promote Advancement of Research and Creativity (SPARC) Awards

PRESENTER: Dr. Lauren Clark

The Graduate School

Dean’s Award for Excellence in Leadership
Brittany Garvin, Teaching and Learning
Danielle Schoffman, Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior
Outstanding Graduate Teaching Award
Laura Enzor, Biology
Michael Spicher, Philosophy

George M. Reeves Graduate Fellowship
Joseph Swanstrom, Chemistry

Dera D. Parkinson Graduate Fellowship
Xin Chen, Mechanical Engineering

C. C. Royal Graduate Fellowship
Abdul Talukdar, Electrical Engineering

Charles Coker Graduate Fellowship
Katina Kulow, Marketing
Yijia Zhao, Finance

Rhude M. Patterson Graduate Fellowship
Sandra Coulon, Clinical-Community Psychology
Alexandria Reynolds, Experimental Psychology

Outstanding Thesis Award
Marc Demont, French
Gary Grunseich, Geological Sciences
James T McClinton, Geological Sciences

PRESENTER: Dr. Jessica Elfenbein

USC Mortar Board Chapter

Mortar Board Fellowship for Graduate and Professional Studies
John Terry, Clinical-Community Psychology

PRESENTER: Dr. Jessica Elfenbein
The Graduate School
Graduate Student Day Competition Awards

Oral Research Presentation

First Place: Jessica Sido, Biomedical Sciences
Second Place: Swati Tomar, Biomedical Sciences
Third Place: Robin Shook, Exercise Science

Room winners
Yuan Shen, Marine Science
Ali Masood, Political Science
Abdul Talukdar, Electrical Engineering
Dhaval Salvi, Computer Science & Engineering
Wan Chi Leung, Mass Communications
Sara St. George, Clinical-Community Psychology
Tawhid Rana, Electrical Engineering
Sabih Omar, Electrical Engineering
Danielle Shofman, Health Promotion, Education & Behavior
Kayla Pate, Chemical Engineering
Jessica Price, Geological Sciences
Kimberly Howard, Foundations of Education
Jarrell Waggoner, Computer Science & Engineering

Creative Performance

First Place (tie): Brandi Ballard, Creative Writing
Devin Sherman and Andy Jurik, Music Performance

Poster Presentation

First Place: Jing Wang, Experimental Psychology
Second Place: Chia-Hua Lin, Philosophy
Third Place: Jessica Hogan, Marine Science

Room winners
Otis Owens, Health Promotion, Education & Behavior
Elizabeth Price, Political Science
Arpit Saxena, Exercise Science
Fatima Asif, Electrical Engineering
Rupa Velidandla, Pharmaceutical Sciences
3 Minute Thesis/Dissertation Speech

First Place: Christopher Frear, Journalism
Second Place: Michael Spicher, Philosophy
Third Place: Betsy Davis, Clinical-Community Psychology

PRESENTER: Wright Culpepper
Ghosts of the Horseshoe

Graduate Student-Led Tour, 3-4 PM
On the Horseshoe

In Spring 2011, Dr. Bob Weyeneth and a team of graduate students in public history researched and published to a website their investigation into USC’s historic Horseshoe as a “landscape of slavery.” Graduate students from the Department of Computer Science and Engineering and the Film and Media Studies and Media Arts programs teamed up with USC faculty and staff to create an augmented reality (AR) application based on that research.

“Ghosts of the Horseshoe is the product of a unique hybrid pedagogy that has integrated computer scientists and humanists. The aim of the critical interactive is to bring to visibility the largely unknown history of slavery that made materially possible the physical site of what is now the heart of USC.” -Dr. Duncan Buell and Dr. Heide Rae Cooley

The Ghosts project is affiliated with the Center for Digital Humanities at the University of South Carolina. Please join us on the Horseshoe, and plan to bring your iPad to see the critical interactive.