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Academic Perspectives in Higher Education Journal

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I enthusiastically present the first edition of *Academic Perspectives in Higher Education*, a student produced journal sponsored by Educational Foundations and Leadership and Higher Education Student Association at Old Dominion University. The purpose of *Academic Perspectives in Higher Education* is to advance the field of higher education through the exhibition of the scholarly works of students, alumni and faculty at Old Dominion University.

The first edition of *Academic Perspectives in Higher Education* features four articles that cover a range of topics important to the field of Higher Education. The opening article is an insightful book review of “Save the World on Your Own Time.” “Save the World on Your Own Time” is a very controversial work that sparks debate about the purpose of higher education as we know it in today’s context. The second article, “General Education Course Enrollment Patterns in a Community College Baccalaureate RN-To-BSN Program” investigates the variables that contribute to the graduation rates of students enrolled in a Nursing program at a community college. Next, the Monarch Spotlight article which will be included in every edition of the journal, will offer insight into the great things happening at Old Dominion University. This edition’s Monarch Spotlight article, “Bringing REP ODU to Housing and Residence Life” focuses on the development and implementation of the tenants of REP ODU into a residence life programming model. Lastly, “The Impact of Intercollegiate Athletics in Higher Education” highlights the role that college athletics plays in higher education.

The development of the very first edition of *Academic Perspectives in Higher Education* was surely a collaborative effort. I would like to thank the authors, editorial review board members, our amazing graphic designer/webmaster, chief operating officer, advising editor and faculty supporters for their hard work and dedication to ensure the quality of the journal and set a standard of excellence for future editions of *Academic Perspectives in Higher Education*. It was certainly a pleasure to serve as Editor in Chief and it was more than a pleasure to work with you all on this very important task. Enjoy the 2013 edition, the very first edition, of *Academic Perspectives in Higher Education*!