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## **Introduction**

This inaugural issue of 2012 of Tenor of Our Time presents the work of current and past Harding students on historical and social science topics. The title of our journal originates from Dr. Raymond Muncy, the former chairman of the History and Social Science Department, who often said, "Historians reflect the tenor of their times." This journal endeavors to allow students to share work that reflect the tenor of our time here at Harding. Tenor of Our Times is a student-managed publication, supported by a faculty editorial board, and guided by our faculty advisor, Dr. Julie Harris. It is designed to encourage undergraduate scholarship in understanding the past and present. It will include the winners of the previous academic year for the Raymond L. Muncy scholarship along with other noteworthy papers.

This year, we were very excited by the number of submissions for our first volume. We received several entries, which made the process of selection more difficult than we had foreseen. The papers were submitted to our student and faculty review boards, who gave their suggestions to the editors to make the final decision. We were privileged to read a number of quality submissions, and this volume contains the best research we received.

We encourage you to consider submitting your own research for Volume II of Tenor of Our Times, published Spring 2013.

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