Richard Herrmann, Social and Behavioral Distinguished Professor of Political Science and director of the Mershon Center, made the opening remarks at the 2009 Undergraduate Research Forum held at Thompson Library on November 19. The forum featured a panel of Mershon affiliated faculty. Panelists included William Cunningham (seated left), assistant professor of psychology, Geoffrey Parker (seated right), Andreas Dorpalen Professor of History, and Sarah Brooks (not pictured) associate professor of political science.

William Cunningham, associate professor of psychology, addressed questions such as "How do you develop good research questions?" and "What types of methodologies should you use in your research?"
Sarah Brooks, associate professor of political science, discussed the foundation needed (i.e. classes and theories) before undertaking a research project. Brooks also offered advice on how undergraduates can work with the Institutional Review Board.

An audience of over 60 undergraduate students listened closely as Mershon affiliated faculty from psychology, political science, and history shared the basic ingredients for a successful undergraduate research project at the 2009 Undergraduate Research Forum.
Geoffrey Parker, Andreas Dorpalen Professor of History, gave a dynamic presentation offering undergraduates advice on ways they can develop good research questions, make connections with faculty members, and prepare for work in foreign countries with materials written in foreign languages.

Geoffrey Parker, Andreas Dorpalen Professor of History, and Sarah Brooks, associate professor of political science, answered a variety of great questions from undergraduate students interested in developing strong original research projects. Parker and Brooks, along with William Cunningham (not pictured), associate professor of psychology, were panelists of the 2009 Undergraduate Research Forum which was held at Thompson Library November 19, 2009.