Two Gustavson BCom students earned Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Awards!

They'll be presenting their projects, on energy security and equity, at the JCURA showcase on March 7, 11:30-3 in the SUB Michele Pujol Room.

Zachary Poirier’s project is “Severing Ties: Energy Security and Gaz-Systems in Poland.”

"This paper examines the impact of the Polish government’s desire for energy security on the state-owned energy infrastructure firm, Gaz-System," Zachary explained in his summary. “The project discusses historical and political context, analyzes recent strategy and developments, and examines possible courses of action."

Taylor Backhouse examined “The effects of the German Divide from 1945-1989 on Germany’s Present Day Industry, Economics, and Investment.”

"In 1989, with the fall of the Berlin Wall, a united Germany emerged. However, as you travel between the eastern and western parts of the country it is very evident that the country is still divided in terms of wealth, investment, and industrial production,” he summarized. “It is noticeable in the pricing of goods between the east and west; the infrastructure in these areas; the social programs; and even a difference in average salaries between the east and the west. It is also abundantly clear that this division isn’t getting any better as time progresses.”

Gustavson prof and research colleagues present at Ideafest 2018

Please join Matt Murphy, Chief Anne Mack, Judith Sayers and Johnny Mack as they describe their project to develop a new way of assessing economic development proposals. A panel discussion on Indigenous Economic Development: Toquaht Nation balances environment, economy, culture and community will be held in the McPherson Library room 129 on March 9 from 3:30-5:30. This event is free and everyone is welcome.

Case studies: Impact investing

A report from the Global Impact Investing Network, Lasting Impact: The Need for Responsible Exits, demonstrates why and how investors attempt to safeguard the continuity of their investments’ impact. The report draws on insights from more than 30 investors and entrepreneurs and outlines practical approaches to achieving responsible exits from impact investments. Through four case studies, the report reveals investors' strategies to strengthen their ability to meet liquidity objectives and ensure the long-term impact of their investments.