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Dear Reader,

Welcome to the third edition of *The Delta*, the English Department Journal. As our journal adds another year to its publication history, we have aptly lived up to our name; a delta is a symbol for change, and this year, along with the usual high quality analytical work, we opted to include pieces written by students while studying abroad as well as a more creatively critical piece. It is our hope to open *The Delta* to as diverse and creative a body of work as possible.

We again received a large number of submissions and as a result were greatly challenged in the selection process. We followed a blind selection procedure in which the editorial board judged the papers based solely on criteria outlined in the journal's original cal for submissions:

> We seek original and analytical papers unified around a specific thesis. The paper must be cohesive, well-supported, and, where applicable, properly cited using MLA format. While we will only publish excellent papers, we seek a diverse representation of work so that the publication covers many time periods, genres, subjects, and methodologies.

The editorial board would like to thank everyone who submitted a paper for consideration. We are also grateful to Susan Sombeck and Carrie Hymer at Printing Services for their help in the publication process and formatting *The Delta*, as well as to Student Senate for providing funding for our publication. Additional thanks to Cathi Martin for making our blind selection process possible.

Thanks to the Alpha Eti Pi chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, who continue to draw and support incredible students and their works. Last but not least, thank you to Dr. Theune for his endless wisdom, guidance, and support throughout this process.

We hope you enjoy the third edition of *The Delta,*

The Delta Editorial Board