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Terrence L. Chapman, ('01), is a political science major and math minor from Normal, IL. He wrote "Monetary Failures of the Great Depression" for Dr. Stumph's Intermediate Macroeconomics course. He chose his topic because he was intrigued at how an international disaster like The Great Depression could occur.

Emily Griffen, ('00), is an accounting major and economics minor from Springfield, IL. She co-wrote "Chile: The Success Story of a Developing Country" for Dr. Ossella-Durbal's Developing Countries course. She enjoyed the paper because it gave her the opportunity to learn more about Chile's progress in the 1990s.

Dieter M. Haager, ('00), is an economics major and accounting minor from Springfield, IL. Dieter chose to write "How do Investments in Human Capital Differentially Effect Gender Income? An Analysis of the Gender Wage Gap" for his senior project because he was interested in challenging the results of Jennifer Van Dyke's senior project. He believes his findings are useful for anyone entering the labor force.

Sunil Jagwani, ('00), is an economics and computer science double major and math and business double minor from Jodhpur, India. He wrote "Supply and Demand of Venture Capital in the U.S." for his senior project. He selected the topic because of his interest in the Internet and the importance that venture capital investments play in commercializing the Internet.

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Jennifer Van Dyke, ('99), was an economics and business administration double major with a minor in math. Jennifer wrote "Does is Pay to Be a Man? A Study of Pay Differentials Among College Graduates" for research honors. She chose the topic because she was disturbed by the wage differential between males and females. She is currently a Healthcare Consultant for Arthur Andersen.