

Confirmation Final Projects 2017

For all confirmation students

We use final projects at the end of the year to demonstrate what you have learned this year during our confirmation classes. It's a great opportunity to be creative, learn more about a topic that interested you, and share your experience with the Augustana community. We hope that you will take your projects seriously as another opportunity to grow in faith and prepare to affirm your baptism, and we also hope that they will be a fun opportunity for you to experience Christian ideals in a way that is unique to you and your interests.

Your projects must be about one of the topics we covered during the year. So, your project must somehow address **the Apostle's Creed** (either as a whole or one or more of the articles), or **the New testament** (as a whole, or any book, story, passage, or character). You will do **one artistic project** and **one academic project**.

The academic project should be something like what you would do for a class project or science fair. For example:

- A written paper (should be roughly 1,000 words)
- A poster presentation or trifold display
- A PowerPoint, Prezi, or other multimedia presentation
- An informational speech

The artistic project should be something that uses your artistic abilities to explore one of the topics we covered. For example:

- A painting, drawing, or sketch
- A sculpture
- A song, either sung or played on an instrument
- A skit or dramatic speaking piece

Your academic project must be done by you alone, without a partner or group, unless you can present a convincing reason why your project requires more than one person. Artistic projects can be done with one or more additional people, to allow for skits, songs, or other group-based artistic opportunities.

If you have any questions about whether a project you're considering would count, please talk to Pastor Torgerson. She can also help you if you're having trouble coming up with an idea for a project. While there is a lot of flexibility in the projects and freedom to try something unique, please keep in mind that this is a year-end project and you are expected to demonstrate hard work, research, creativity, and a connection to your faith. Projects that are deemed inappropriate, whether due to content or poor quality, can be returned at the discretion of Pastor Torgerson and not accepted for credit.

While every student is expected to turn in a project, students who cannot or will not complete these final projects will instead be expected to take a final test which covers the entire year's topics. There will be no review sheet for this test, and students will take the test until they pass it with a score of at least 80%. The test is not the preferred option. Please make every effort to do your final projects.

Projects are due by **April 19, 2017** at the very latest, so projects can be compiled and prepared for the final project fair on April 26. The fair will run from 5-6:15 pm, followed by confirmation closing worship. At this fair, all projects will be on display. Any projects that need to be performed, such as songs or skits, will be offered a sign-up sheet for performance times during the fair. Projects may be collected immediately following closing worship. Any projects not collected by Friday, May 26, 2017 will become the property of Pastor Torgerson and may be disposed of.

Projects can be turned in any time previous to April 19, but must be received by the end of confirmation class that night (by 7 pm). You may turn in a project in person, or you may email the project to Pastor Torgerson at: mtorgerson@augustana.com. You can also call her at 651-457-3373 x33 with any questions or concerns.

Thanks for another wonderful year,
and for sharing your knowledge and excitement with these projects!