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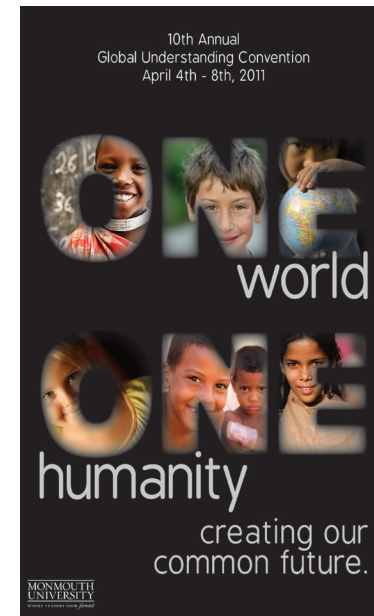
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**11th Annual
Global Understanding Convention**

**“Freedom, Sustainability and Security:
Creating Interconnected and Inclusive
Communities”**

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Last Year's Winning Poster by Christine Chimento

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We welcome paper proposals, panels, colloquia, lectures, art performances, film projections and other types of presentations from faculty and particularly students on a variety of topics from interdisciplinary fields of study and research.

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This year’s theme explores complex relationships between the environment and human security. A great part of human security is tied to peoples’ access to natural resources – and a great deal of environmental change is directly and indirectly affected by human activities and conflicts. The concept of “sustainable development” has been fundamental in understanding the interconnected relationship between nature and society. Efforts to protect nature will fail unless they simultaneously serve the cause of human betterment; efforts to better the lives of people will fail if they fail to conserve essential natural resources.

Perhaps the most important practical implication that emerges from this view is the great potential for powerful interconnected community through learning and action. The result could be the creation of communities whose goal is to extend development and security as a more human-centered and sustainable project.

Submission Guidelines:

Proposals should be submitted via web submission at

<http://www.monmouth.edu/GUCproposal>

Proposals should not be longer than 100 words.

Please fill out all the needed information on the electronic proposal submission form.

If you are planning to invite a speaker for your presentation or a panel, please suggest sources of funding.

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Through academic programs, field experiences, service learning, and engagement in local and global communities, IGU fulfills Monmouth University’s broad mission of promoting global understanding, diversity, and leadership.