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DURHAM, N.H. -- The University of New Hampshire’s seventh annual Undergraduate Research Conference (URC) April 21-29, 2006, will feature hundreds of UNH students from all academic disciplines presenting the results of their research, scholarly and creative works.

Students at UNH work with faculty mentors to conduct scholarly inquiry into topics that intrigue them and engage in a process that teaches creative thinking and problem solving within their chosen disciplines.

Undergraduate Research Conference events are open to the public and feature student work from all of UNH’s schools and colleges at both the Durham and Manchester campuses. It is the perfect time for parents to encourage their children to explore higher education with a visit to one of the many URC events highlighting students at work. The full schedule for UNH’s Undergraduate Research Conference is available online at http://www.unh.edu/urc/events.html.

Highlights include:

- Keynote lecture with Laurie Garrett, Paul Creative Arts Center, Friday, April 21, 7 p.m. An authority on newly emerging and re-emerging diseases; public health and their effects on foreign policy and national security, Garrett will talk about pandemic security. There is no charge to attend this event but seating is limited and tickets are required for admission. Register at http://www.unh.edu/urc/lgarrett_attend.cfm.

- The Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering Symposium (ISE), Morse Hall, Wednesday, April 26, 2-5 p.m.;

- The Festival of Creativity and Culture, Paul Creative Arts Center, Friday, April 28, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. invites you into a coffeehouse-style venue for music, poetry, theatre, dance and art exhibits.

- The 15th annual COLSA Undergraduate Research Conference, the New England Center, Saturday, April 29, 7:45 a.m.-2 p.m., featuring the full gamut of research conducted by students in the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture.