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Bard College at Simon's Rock Accepting Submissions for Next Issue of Digital, Open-Access Academic Journal, Early College Folio Volume 2, Issue 2

Newest Issue Will Feature Scholars' Exploration of Unconventional Paths to College Education

GREAT BARRINGTON, MA—The Early College Research Institute at Bard College at Simon's Rock is now accepting submissions for the newest issue of its digital, open-access academic journal focused on the early college movement, Early College Folio Volume 2, Issue 2. More information about the journal can be found at <u>https://simons-rock.edu/student-life/campus-</u> experience/alumni-library/early-college-research-institute/early-college-folio-call-forsubmissions.php.

With this issue entitled "Unconventional Paths to College Education," Early College Folio aims to exemplify the idea that early college allows diverse student populations to find diverse education solutions and that these solutions may present themselves as inherently unconventional. Early College Folio invites submissions that discuss innovative ideas for multidimensional needs of students and the education system. To further explore the unconventional, they invite submissions that play with digital format and presentation. All perspectives are welcome and encouraged: administrators, faculty, librarians, student life staff, registrars, medical/health services, and more.

The discussion of unconventional paths to college education is the bedrock of the Simon's Rock community and a topic with global scope. Issue editor Kyaw Moe Tun, Permanent Representative of Myanmar to the UN, shares, "This [topic] is particularly relevant in the midst of current global crises in Burma (Myanmar), Afghanistan, and Ukraine. The issue scope is intentionally widened to invite submissions that deal with unconventional approaches that educators and institutions use to make sure that students with diverse backgrounds can access higher education opportunities."

Provost John Weinstein, who taught Tun while at Simon's Rock, shares this enthusiasm. "I am thrilled that Kyaw Moe Tun is editing our fourth issue of *Early College Folio*. His extensive international experience is invaluable for growing the international content, contributors, and audience for our journal," says Weinstein.

Anyone interested in submitting to this issue of *Early College Folio* should email the editors <u>earlycollegefolio@simons-rock.edu</u> by January 15, 2023. To submit materials and find out more information, visit the <u>Early College Folio: Call for Submissions page</u>.

About Simon's Rock

<u>Bard College at Simon's Rock</u> is the only college in the country specifically designed for highly motivated students ready to enter college after the 10th or 11th grade. Simon's Rock offers a challenging program in the liberal arts and sciences, taught exclusively in small seminars by supportive, highly trained faculty, who are leading scholars in their fields. The College grants degrees in more than 35 majors. The Princeton Review's *Best 380 Colleges* rates academics at Simon's Rock higher than Harvard and Princeton.

<u>Bard Academy at Simon's Rock</u> is the nation's first two-year boarding and day program designed to prepare 9th and 10th graders to start college early. A student entering Bard Academy as a high school freshman will earn an Associate of Arts degree from Bard College at Simon's Rock after only four years and a Bachelor of Arts degree after only six years. The Academy curriculum is designed and taught by students' future college professors who are leading scholars in their fields.

For more information, visit <u>simons-rock.edu</u> and <u>bardacademy.simons-rock.edu</u>.

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