Letter from the Editor



Dear reader,

Welcome! The *Intersect* editorial team is proud to present the final issue of Volume 9, rounding out the 2015-16 academic year. Come journey with our authors as they examine fascinating and relevant issues including HIV-specific criminal law, the significance of Japan's moonshot in 2018, and the legacy of Bitcoin as a catalyst for innovation. We hope that our authors' diverse voices and powerful research findings will vitalize your intellectual curiosity and leave you with a thirst for further exploration in the blossoming field of Science, Technology, and Society studies.

A major theme of this issue centers on the ethical and appropriate usage of emerging technologies in our society. Journalists can now make stories come to life in 3D through virtual reality, women can begin to combat street harassment through mobile applications, and individuals can peek into their ancestral past through commercialized genetics. As these new technologies and others play an increasingly important role in our society, it is of utmost importance to thoroughly analyze their effectiveness and ethicalness, as our authors are pushing to do.

Reflecting on this year of *Intersect*, we are thrilled by the immense growth the journal has experienced. We have seen a skyrocketing number of submissions, the addition of original cover artwork, a new and consistent book review section, and continued collaboration with the International Collegiate Science Journal (ICSJ). I cannot wait to see what Volume 10 of *Intersect* will bring, and I am excited to announce that Joseph Nicolls, my good friend and one of this year's Senior Editors, will be joining me as Co-Editor-in-Chief next year.

Intersect relies on a truly exceptional team: dedicated and diligent editors, a talented graphic designer, and knowledgeable peer reviewers. I cannot thank these individuals enough for their hard work and vital contributions. I would also like to deeply thank Professor John Willinsky, our journal's inspirational advisor who provided much-needed guidance and support throughout the year. The publication of this issue would not be possible without the following wonderful team members:

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