This journal continues to be as much of a work in progress as it was three years ago when the idea was developed. It’s hard to believe a simple research journal could take so long to get off the ground, but that’s because it is and will be far more than a simple research journal. As the first research journal open to all disciplines at Adelphi, this is an opportunity to spotlight the original research of countless undergraduate students in a platform that works cohesively with the annual research conference.

The Levermore Global Scholars program brainstormed this idea a few years ago and since then, each senior class as worked on it, modifying criteria and gathering submissions but it wasn’t until the fall of 2014 that Dr. Devin Thornburg made the executive push to ask the Senior Seminar who would be interested in taking on this project. Somehow, I was the only one interested in seeing the journal off the ground. Over two semesters, we have cultivated this project through meetings with administration, other students, editorial committees, the graphic design department and Information Technology. This journal boasts of student work on every page, from the cover art designed by Kristina Sharrott (’15) from the Graphic Design program to the articles submitted by students and edited by students, to the layout of the website designed by yet another student (or is it more than 1 student?).

The Journal of a Changing World has been close to my heart and always on my mind this past year. I am so thankful to see this idea come to fruition and to be a part of the journal’s journey. I am hopeful this journal will inspire students to conduct research about issues they are passionate about and teach the rest of us about their findings. I hope you enjoy this first issue and be sure to check back in a year for another installment.

Sincerely,
Sarah Cinquemani