

## Introduction

Each year the Bruce Hall community and the wider university community are the beneficiaries of the accomplishments of the *Cross-sections* editorial team. Annually, the current editorial team produces a noted, scholarly journal of the works of their fellow Bruce Hall residents. Consistently, we marvel at the works produced; from cover design to the articles that challenge and enlighten us. Our Bruce Hall motto 'Happy is the person able to discover the reason for things' reflects the essence of the *Cross-sections* journal and the ethos of the Bruce Hall community. Upon reading, it will be clear to the reader that academic excellence is the norm at Bruce Hall.

May you discover the reason for things and be inspired by this collective work.

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