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Chair Talk from Brooke

Soon we will be saying goodbye to the class of 2013. It is always a poignant time for us and for our graduates. They are now concluding one of the most significant times in their lives and will look back on it often over the years. We know they are well prepared for the next step in their life journeys, and we extend our congratulations and very best wishes to them all. A special reminder for seniors: We're still here for you even after you graduate, so please stay in touch!

Psychology Graduates

Jasmine Ball
Esther Biesse
Brent Campbell
Kelly Cargos
Leona Carretero
Jesse Carroll
Ethan Cline
Ellen Coble
Emily Crenner
Shaina Davis
Liz Dippel
Alison Divine
Jacob Greenberg
Colin Harter
James Hasson
Bianca Hollander
Emily Hoyer

William Johnson
Kyanna Jones
Jamie Lucarelli
Brianna Morseth
Micah Mumper
Ellen Nikodym
Suzanne Oh
Marija Panova
Teal Radford
Karen Ramos
Melanie Rivera
Nancy Rocha-Bueno
Bo Scarim
Ayaka Sheehan
Hannah Strauss-Albee
Tommy Symmes
Sophie Trede
Stephen Tyndel

Hannah Van Den Brandt
Eleigh Vazquez
Liz Watson
Alexander Yang

Neuroscience Studies Graduates

Dianna Amasino
Brent Campbell
Anna French
Frederik Kamps
Brianna Morseth
James Nocita
David Ports
Mick Reedy



Spring Dinner shots



The Seventh Annual Spring Dinner was held on Monday, April 15th. This has now become an annual tradition where we honor students receiving awards, honors students and graduates. The food (Italian from Carmelo's) was delicious and plentiful. The Psych Trivia Challenge was also great fun!



MUPC 2013 - University of St. Thomas, Saturday, April 20th

The 47th annual MUPC (Minnesota Undergraduate Psychology Conference) was at the University of St. Thomas on Saturday, April 20th. Presenting at MUPC is something all psychology majors do before they graduate. There were 28 students from Macalester who presented their research. The posters of the students' work will be hung in the center hallway.

Senior Conversations - Wednesday, May 8th

Before our graduating seniors leave the campus, we like to have informal conversations with them about their experience in the department. The feedback from these conversations play an important role in future planning for the department. Every senior should be signed up by now for either a focus group or an individual conversation during this big day of exit interviews. All participating seniors will receive a small gift. Please contact Lee if you are not signed up.

Psi Chi Induction



New Psi Chi Members are Emma Leyden, Ayaka Sheehan, Brianna Morseth, Nadine Rooney, MacKenzie Speer, Esther Biesse and Libie Motchan. Congratulations!

Reception for Graduates & Families

The Psychology reception will be held from 3:00 - 5:00 on Friday, May 17th. This is a wonderful opportunity for your family members and faculty to meet each other. Invitations have been sent to your parents. See Lee if you'd like to invite other special people. See you there!

Congratulations to our Honors Graduates

The following students have successfully defended their theses and will graduate with honors.

Will Johnson with Jason Weaver - Deceiving Others After Being Deceived: Lying as a Function of Descriptive Norms

Micah Mumper with Brooke Lea - The Role of World Knowledge and Context in Scripted Narratives

Ellen Nikodym with Jaine Strauss - The Effects of Objectifying Hip Hop Lyrics on Female Listeners

Karen Ramos with Jaine Strauss - Bullying and Sensitivity to Rejection: The Role of Individual Difference Variables in Social Exclusion's Impact on Eating Behaviors

Barbara Scarim with Joan Ostrove - Elements of Cohesion: The Role of Business Improvement Districts in Sense of Community

Next steps for Seniors

Jasmine Ball will be moving to Bismarck, North Dakota to become a Firm Marketing Coordinator at Securian Financial Advisors of ND. She also plans to attend school part time to finish getting

her teaching license.

Esther Biesse is probably staying in the Twin Cities and looking for a job.

Kelly Cargos will be WWOOFing around Japan, traveling and working on organic farms around the country.

Will Johnson will be starting in the social psych PhD program at U of MN.

Jamie Lucarelli will be staying in Saint Paul and working at ACR Homes Inc. taking care of adults with physical and mental disabilities. She will also be researching Grad school programs/locations in clinical psych and social work.

Micah Mumper will be moving to Long Island to pursue a Ph.D. in cognitive psychology at Stony Brook University

Mesmerizing Major - Kathryn Hathaway



Favorite Movie: Edward Scissorhands

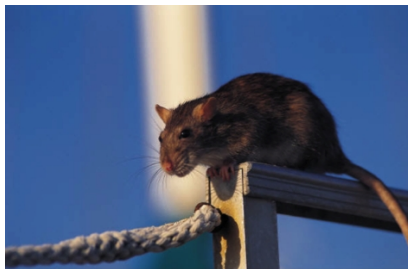
Favorite Book: Slaughterhouse-Five by Kurt Vonnegut

Favorite place to eat in the Twin Cities: Gandhi Mahal

What do you when you are not studying? I play bass guitar, violin and I collect vintage video games

Where did you grow up? Plymouth, MN

Interesting fact about your hometown: Well, there isn't much that is "interesting" about Plymouth! I think it was voted "#1 place to live in the US" by Money Magazine some years ago though.



Rat Challenge Please come see the showcase of the PSYC 240 Learning & Behavior student's semester training of rats. Come watch rats perform tricks and daring feats. Smail Gallery, Sunday, May 5th at 1:00.

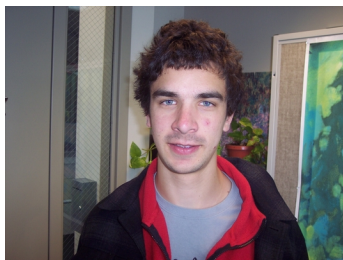
Welcome New Majors



Bunchung Ly '16 Cambodia NS



Elena Friedman '16 Boston, MA P



Bailey Polonsky '16 Denver, CO NS



Hannah Brown '15 Brandon, WI P & NS



Darcy Camp '16 St. Louis, MO NS



Kayleigh Roach '14 DeForest, WI P



Stacy Rozansky '16 Larchmont, NY P



Trent Bohrmann '16 Grand Rapids, MI NS



Casey Sass '15 White Bear Lake, MN NS



Katelyn Glenna '15 Winona, MN NS

Important Dates to Save:

Rat Challenge - Sunday, May 5th 1:00

Senior Conversations (and lunch) - Wednesday, May 8th 8:30 - 4:00 with lunch available at 12:00.

Individual and focus group conversations about your experience as a psych major. Please contact Lee to sign up.

Senior Reception for Graduates & Families - Friday, May 17th 3:00 - 5:00 This is a wonderful opportunity for the family members to meet the faculty and for the faculty to meet the families of the graduates. Invitations have been sent to the families of this year's graduates in Psych and Neuroscience Studies. Please contact Lee if you have additional people to invite.

Have a great summer everyone! Take care and keep in touch!

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