



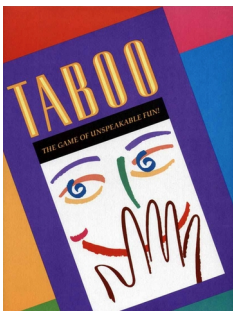
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Chair Talk

Hello everyone, I'm a guest this month in "Chair Talk" as I will be taking over the role of Psychology Department Chair this summer. Brooke will be finished with his three-year term, and my turn is next! I look forward to doing this job and to getting to meet those of you whom I haven't yet met whenever you have official - or unofficial - business with the department. Until then, here's a bit of what we have to look forward to in the department in April (more info on all of these in this issue... read on!): Game Night on April 1st!; a visit by Professor David Amodio (Macalester Class of 1996 and currently professor of psychology at NYU), who will give a talk on the evening of Wed, April 16th; and the annual Psych and Neuroscience Spring Dinner on Thursday, April 24th. Please join us for all of these exciting department activities, and stay tuned for Brooke's "farewell" chair talk in the final PsychoBabble of the year, in May. Thanks to Brooke for three years of excellent departmental leadership. I'll be back with more chair talk in September.



Psych Club Game Night - Tuesday, April 1st at 7:00 - Olri 352

Tuesday, April 1st (no joke) is game night for faculty and students. The Psych Club is organizing the event and there will be great treats and lots of laughs. Taboo is one game planned. The fun starts at 7:00 in Olri 352. You'll see fliers up later this week.



Coffee with Kathryn - Thursday, April 10th at 3:00 - Reading Room

Come and learn more about Kathryn Archambault and her research at this informal coffee hour in the Reading Room (Olin Rice 349). Sponsored by the Psych Club.



Spring Dinner - Thursday, April 24th 5:00 - Smail Gallery

Majors, minors and anyone interested in psychology or neuroscience are invited to the 8th annual spring dinner in Olin Rice Smail Gallery. We will have great Italian food from Carmello's, a trivia quiz with prizes, class pictures, recognition of our award winners and announcements of next year's new psych leaders. Please RSVP to Lee at lolson4@macalester.edu.



MPA Distinguished Scholar Lecture April 16th, 7:30, Weyerhaeuser Boardroom

Motivated Perception of Race: Evidence from the Brain and Behavior

Social factors have a profound effect on behavior: mere membership in a social category can cause a person to favor ingroup members while disadvantaging outgroup members. In an effort to understand this effect, Dr. Amodio's research investigates how social categories, based on either arbitrary or real (i.e., racial) distinctions, can change the way we "see" others, and how these early perceptual biases perpetuate into forms of discrimination. Dr. Amodio will

present a series of studies that examined the effect of group membership on visual processing, as indexed by neural activity and perceptual judgments, and its implications for social impressions, attitudes, and behavior.

Dr. Amodio directs the NYU Social Neuroscience Laboratory and the NYU Social Neuroscience Network, and he serves as Associate Editor for the *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*. He was also a co-founder of the *Social and Affective Neuroscience Society* and served on the founding advisory board for the *Society for Social Neuroscience*. Dr. Amodio received his doctorate from the University of Wisconsin – Madison in 2003 **and attended Macalester College for his undergrad in Psychology**. Dr. Amodio has been recognized for his research contributions with awards such as the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE) from The White House, the Janet T. Spence Award for Transformative Early Career Contributions from the *Association for Psychological Science*, the F. J. McGuigan Early Career Investigator Prize from the *American Psychological Foundation*, the Early Career Award for Contribution to Social Cognition from the *International Social Cognition Network*, and the SAGE Young Scholars Award from the *Foundation for Personality and Social Psychology*.

Postcard from Study Abroad



Hi everyone! Looks like I lucked out studying abroad this spring. I'm currently studying at the Danish Institute of Study Abroad in Copenhagen. Here I am taking classes in European Clinical Psychology, Human Trafficking and Holocaust and Genocide Studies. Additionally, I am completing an internship at a social psychiatric center for senior individuals with mental disorders. I am currently living at a folk high school with about 100 other Danish students. The students here take classes, live and socialize together. The education here does not involve homework or grading and is meant to encourage students to internally motivate themselves to learn more about the world. Many of the students are in their early-to-mid twenties and live here before going to college. A few weeks ago I traveled with my class to Vienna, Austria where I got to visit Freud's house and also the Victor Frankl Institute to learn more about logotherapy. I'm loving it here in Denmark. Copenhagen is a truly breathtaking and exciting city and I am loving the opportunities I get to interact with other Danes. If any psych majors need to earn Psych credits during study abroad, I would encourage them to look into DIS. Feel free to email me with any questions at pmurphy3@macalester.edu or visit the DIS website at www.disabroad.org. Best, P.J. Murphy



Mesmerizing Major - Julia Huerta

Favorite Movie: The Brave Little Toaster!

Favorite Book: Harold and the Purple Crown

Favorite place to eat in the Twin Cities: Little Szechuan

What do you do when you are not studying? I really like to sleep.

Where did you grow up? Portland, OR

Interesting fact about your hometown: Portland is home to the world's smallest park. Mill Ends Park has a diameter of 2ft.

Tell us something about your family: My youngest sister is 8 and my brother is 28. I am one of five kids and smack dab in the middle.

Tell us something that you are pleased with or proud of about yourself: I will graduating in May and will be the first in my family to do so!

Psycho-babble

Sarah Tisel '09 will be completing her MD from Penn State Medical School in May and will begin her neurology residency at the University of Virginia this summer. **Mollie Mayfield '11** will be starting the MPH program in Health Behavior at University of North Carolina this fall. **Andres Ruiz '12** will be starting the PsyD program in clinical psychology offered by the Pacific Graduate School of Professional Psychology-Stanford consortium this fall.

Minnesota Undergraduate Psychological Conference (MUPC)

The MUPC website (gomupc.org) is up and students can begin registering for the conference and submitting poster or paper proposals. The deadline for proposals is Monday, April 7th, 2014. The conference will be on Saturday, April 26th, at Bethel University in St. Paul. Angus MacDonald III from the U of M Twin Cities will be our keynote speaker.

Welcome New Majors



Elena Torrey-Schrag '17 Forest Grove, OR P



James Mochizuki-Freeman '16 Alma, WI NS



Ruthie Berman '17 Belmont, CA NS



Brooke Collins '17 Kansas City, MO NS



Lucius Kelton Wilmerding '17 Pullman, WANS



Jessica Bernstein '17 Madison, WI P & NS

Opportunities

Our Learning Center is looking for energetic, positive individuals to work as Clinicians (Tutors). These positions are seasonal. Paid 7–10 day training in our research validated programs is provided. Ideal candidates will have a background in the education or psychology field and a passion for helping others.

Responsibilities:

- Provide one-to-one instruction based upon each individual client's learning needs
- Work with Center Director and Consultant to implement client plans
- Interact positively and professionally with clients and staff to provide a safe and fun learning environment

Application: Please complete the application for Clinician (Tutor) -Edina, MN at the following website:
<https://lindamoodbellcareers.silkroad.com/>

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Internship opportunity is available with the Minneapolis Health Department (MHD) for a **Teen Health Peer Education Group Facilitator**. This is a paid internship for up to 8 hours/week that requires the student to collaborate with the Minneapolis Health Department (MHD) School Based Clinic Staff.

The Minneapolis School Based Clinics are a Minneapolis Health Department program that partners with the Minneapolis Public Schools. School based clinics provide high quality, affordable, and comprehensive medical and behavioral health services by professional staff specializing in adolescent health.

Facilitator Projects:

1. • With a clinic provider, co-facilitate a health-focused peer education group at Southwest High School
 - a. according to existing facilitation materials while additionally creating new materials
2. • Recruit members through outreach events, posters, social media, and other media
3. • Plan & co-facilitate meetings using a peer-driven leadership model for peer education
4. • Help students plan outreach projects
5. • Use program evaluations and implement changes according to feedback
6. • Develop relationships with teachers and administration

See the position posting: <http://www.minneapolismn.gov/health/grants/internships>

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- Become an advocate for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and knowledgeable about relevant qualifications

- Conduct outreach at partner organizations, which will include:

- o Speaking with clients about SNAP and other relevant assistance programs at the county Human Services level.

- o Prescreening interested clients for public assistance programs referring them to application assistance by Second Harvest Heartland's SNAP Outreach

- o Providing materials and information to individuals in an effort to increase their knowledge and future utilization of SNAP and other resources in their community

- Coordinate with Second Harvest Heartland staff to ensure comprehensive and effective SNAP outreach and client follow-up

- Contact community partners (including agencies, school officials and various Second Harvest Heartland contacts) to

- o discern which method of SNAP Outreach would be most appropriate for their program or organization

Contact jswanson@2harvest.org 651-209-7961 Late May – Late August /12-15 hours a week - paid

Various partner sites in the Twin Cities, Second Harvest Heartland in Saint Paul, MN, and home.

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