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### Chair Talk from Joan



Welcome to Fall semester! I'm excited to have taken over the job of chair of the psychology department, and will look forward to seeing many of you over the course of the semester. Please take careful note of the next announcement about psychologist Daniel Gilbert, who will be the Convocation speaker on September 4th. Many of you may already be familiar with his work on "affective forecasting," the systematic errors we make when anticipating how we will feel about some future event or experience. This promises to be an excellent talk, and convocation is a really lovely way to start the school year and welcome new students to Macalester. On the topic of welcoming new people to Mac, I'm very pleased to welcome our newest assistant professor, developmental psychologist Cari Gillen-O'Neel. Some

of you were lucky enough to have attended her job talk last fall, and already know that she is a dynamic and engaging teacher and researcher. Cari and her family moved from Los Angeles to Saint Paul in July. She'll be teaching Developmental Psych and RIPII this semester. Please introduce yourself and welcome her to the department. We are fortunate to have four excellent visiting faculty this semester. Some of you took Intro Psych with Katrina Archambault last spring. Katrina is back, and will be teaching an advanced course in Memory. Vera Shuman will be teaching Social Psychology. We have two visitors in Intro Psych: Cathy Cronemeyer and Jhon Wlachin. Please welcome all of them to the department, and check out this (and next month's) issue of Psycho-Babble and the board outside of Lee's office for more information about each of these instructors. Feel free to email me or come by my office if you have any questions about the department. Have a great start to your semester!

### Author/Psychologist Daniel Gilbert to Speak at Opening Convocation September 4



Author Daniel Gilbert, bestselling author of *Stumbling on Happiness* and professor of psychology at Harvard University, will speak at Macalester's opening convocation at 11:30 a.m., Thursday, September 4, in the Alumni Gymnasium in the Leonard Center. A complimentary lunch will follow the convocation.

Gilbert's 2007 book, *Stumbling on Happiness*, has been translated into more than 33 languages, and was awarded the Royal Society's General Book Prize for best science book of the year. In 2010 he co-wrote and hosted the award-winning PBS television series *This Emotional Life*, which has been seen by more than 10 million people. He is a contributor to *Time*, *The New York Times*, the *Washington Post*, and NPR's *All Things Considered*, and has been a guest on numerous television shows including *The Today Show*, *Charlie Rose*, *20/20*, and *The Colbert Report*. His TED talks have been seen by more than 13 million people and are among the most popular of all time.

## Annual Psych Department Picnic

The psych fall picnic is Tuesday, Sept. 16th, from 11:30 to 12:30 at Jack Rossmann's home, 99 Cambridge, across the street from the Fine Arts parking lot. Everyone is welcome!

Jack is a former chair and professor emeritus of psychology and we're fortunate to be able to use his lovely home and grounds for our picnic. You can count on delicious picnic fare: hamburgers, veggie burgers, hotdogs, etc. It is always a great time to chat with faculty and other students. A group will leave from Olin Rice at 11:30, so if you're unsure of the locations or just want company, come to the blue house by the department office and we'll walk over together. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Welcome visiting faculty



### **Katrina Archambault**

Archambault is a PhD candidate in the Department of Psychology at the University of Minnesota. Her research focuses on the nature of memory and how memory research can be applied to educational settings. She is currently collecting data for her dissertation on how mixing materials during learning benefits long-term memory. Her other research interests include using ERP methodology to better understand the neural basis of cognition. She is excited to be teaching a course on Memory at Mac this Fall.



### **Catherine Cronemeyer**

Cronemeyer, PsyD, LP is a counseling psychologist, researcher and professor. Clinically, she works in private practice and for Park Nicollet Health Services treating clients with eating disorders and conducting bariatric assessments. This fall she is teaching Introduction to Psychology at Macalester. Her research interests are in the areas of eating disorders, athletes with eating disorders, animal assisted therapies and geriatric psychology.



**Jhon Walschin**

Jhon is a social psychologist interested in understanding how close relationships impact health behavior. He received his training at the University of Minnesota where he specialized in research involving health communication and behavior change. His current research involves understanding how people in different social situations discuss climate change and how they can effectively persuade others to reduce their carbon footprint. Jhon spent several years working in film and television in NYC prior to attending graduate school.

## Event dates for your calendar

Thursday, Sept. 4th Convocation with speaker Daniel Gilbert 11:30 Leonard Center

Tuesday, Sept. 16th Annual Psych Dept. Picnic 11:30 Jack & Mary's house

Tuesday, Oct. 7th Study Abroad Lunch 11:30 352

Wednesday, Oct. 8th Minnesota Psychological Association Distinguished Scholar Lecture - Wilma Koutstaal  
7:30 Weyerhaeuser Boardroom

Tuesday, Oct. 21st Internship Lunch 11:30 352

Tuesday, Oct. 28th Grad School Lunch 1:30 352

Watch for flyers and more information about these great events!

## Psycho-babble

- **Ana Armitage '14** is working for the Admissions Department at UW-Madison. **Laura Mather '14** is a behavioral technician in the Emergency Department at St. Joseph's Hospital, working with patients experiencing psychological as well as medical needs. **Keelia Silvis '14** is a Research Technician at University of Minnesota. **MacKenzie (Izzi) Speer '14** is the Economic Justice and Asset Opportunity VISTA worker at the Shriver Center in Chicago where she's working on understanding barriers to child care access and Head Start programs for homeless families. **Emily Crenner '13** is a Discovery Guide Program Assistant at Wildlife Conservation Society. **Ellen Coble '13** is a Research Assistant at Vanderbilt University. **Ellen Nikodym '13** is a VISTA Leader at Saint Paul Public Schools Foundation. **Hannah Strauss-Albee '13** and **Karen Ramos '13** are attending the masters in social work program at Washington University in St. Louis. **Igor Stanceric '12** is now an Associate Human Resources Manager at General Mills. **Nathan Rubin '12** is a HR Project Coordinator at Goldman Sachs. **Hannah Yellin '12** is attending the School of Public Health at George Washington University. **Peggy Polta '11** is in the nursing program at the University of Minnesota. **Rosie Sese '10** is studying at Harvard's School of Education. **Anava Wren** has completed her doctoral work in clinical psychology at Duke University and is now an intern in clinical psychology at Stanford University. **Craig Moodie '06** is wrapping up his doctoral work in neuroscience at the University of Minnesota before he joins Anava at Stanford. He'll be doing a post-doc on genomic imaging.



## Last Spring

Professor Steve Guglielmo's Moral and Social Cognition Psychology Lab meet for one last party at Prof. Guglielmo's house in the last week of classes. Dinosaur chicken wings and pink lemonade were enjoyed by all and Scott was sent off to the real world in a love pink vest to match the lemonade! (From left to right: Sunakshi Wadhwa '17, Hannah Svec '16, Kate Spencer '16, Rowan Hilty '16, Jill Merrick '16, Professor Guglielmo, Lab Manager Scott Gannis '14).



## It's Like Magic

Turn your unpaid fall psych internship into a paid internship!

Macalester College has received a grant that will provide 12 paid internships this Fall term. The Great Lakes Career Ready Internship Grant will pay selected, eligible students \$10/hour with a maximum award of \$1400 for the term.

Deadline for submitting applications is Friday, September 19 at noon.

For more information on how to apply, see [Internship Program Grant](#) or attend an Information Session on Wed. 9/3 at 4:30 (CC-215) or Fri. 9/5 at noon (CC-214).

## Friday Socials

Friday Socials are every Friday that classes are in session at 3:20 in the hallway by the blue house. It's a time to socialize with other students, faculty and staff. We have a treat each week and all are invited. This Friday is mango cake from Bravo and it's hosted by the Psych Club Leaders.



## Welcome New Majors



**Karen Rathjens, '17 Sudbury, MA**



**Emma Burt '17 Shoreline, WA**

## Opportunities Internships -

Internships are strongly encouraged for psychology majors. The deadline to [register an internship](#) for fall semester is Friday, September 12. However, a one-week extension may be granted to complete registration arrangements. Students can contact the Internship Program for more information. For a much broader range of opportunities than those below, visit [MC2](#) or the Internship Program Office in Kagin. There is also the opportunity to have Macalester pay you a \$10/hr. stipend for an unpaid internship. Contact the Internship Program Office to find out more.

### Outreach to Schools Intern- Fall 2014 and Spring 2015 (24692676)

Ramsey County - Twin Cities Metro, Minnesota

POSITION TYPE: Internship, Paid, Part Time

POSTING DATE: Aug 26, 2014

END DATE: Sep 05, 2014

[Waste Wise/ Energy](#)

### Smart Internship (24692670)

Minnesota Chamber of Commerce - St. Paul, Minnesota

POSITION TYPE: Internship, Paid, Part Time

POSTING DATE: Aug 26, 2014

END DATE: Sep 19, 2014

[Special Events](#)

### Internship- Fall 2014 (24692642)

YouthCARE - Minneapolis, Minnesota

POSITION TYPE: Internship, Unpaid

POSTING DATE: Aug 25, 2014

END DATE: Sep 10, 2014

[Volunteer](#)

### Management Internship- Fall 2014 (24692643)

YouthCARE - Minneapolis, Minnesota

POSITION TYPE: Internship, Unpaid, Part Time

POSTING DATE: Aug 25, 2014

END DATE: Sep 10, 2014

### Student Experience: Personal Care Attendant job openings

Looking for a position that offers the ability to work hands on, learn transferable skills in Human Service or Health Science roles & a schedule flexible to your class needs? see: [www.studentexperience.com](http://www.studentexperience.com)

## How well do you know the Psych Dept?

Members of the psychology department had many interesting experiences this summer. See if you can figure out who did what. Match the following with the activity. Email Lee for the answers.

(Darcy, Brooke, Jamie, Steve, Jaine, Joan, Eric, Julia, Kendrick, Cari & Lee)

1. One highlight was spending time in New York with my niece and nephew from France who are 9 & 11.
2. I spent a week up by Ely at a cabin with family. It was wonderful.
3. I took a trip out east for my daughter's graduation and took a trip to Iceland. Loved it!
4. My highlight was successfully relocating. We got to see Zion National Park and loved it.
5. I had a crappy garden this summer but built a garage.
6. This was poor weather for swimming at the lake but still fun. My youngest is walking.
7. My family had an event in Washington, DC., my hometown. Spent nice time with family and friends.
8. My highlight was being able to go camping. Took two camping trips, one to NY and one around here. Even went canoeing with our infant.
9. I ran a bootcamp for a summer course for a couple of students during the summer. Was out in Ithaca for a conference and it went really well.
10. Meeting alum this summer was a highlight. Did a little traveling and visited my alma mater.
11. I have a new nephew and am very excited about him. Went to the Renaissance Festival for the first time and loved it.

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