

From the Chair
Jane Ellen Smith, Ph.D.



This is the 8th issue of the new and improved Psychology Department newsletter; the 7th one since I became chair of the department seven years ago. The purpose of the newsletter is to improve communication between the current Psychology Department members (faculty, students, staff) and all of the people who have been an important part of the department in one way or another in the past. We welcome information from you to share. Contact Esther: etgolden@unm.edu or Kim: klarran@unm.edu. Specify that your news is for the Newsletter.

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Undergraduate Education: We continue to grow in terms of undergraduate psychology majors. In 1996 we had 775 declared majors, and this year we had around **1800 majors**. A total of 304 bachelor's degrees in psychology were awarded. We offered **67 online courses** last year!

Graduate Education: We have **78** graduate students in four main concentrations: Clinical; Cognition, Brain, & Behavior; Evolutionary/Developmental; and Health. The students had **65 publications** this year, and several students received external grant support. We received **211** completed applications to our graduate program, and we admitted a class of 12.

Faculty: Although we had no tenure-track faculty searches this past year, we had our two new Assistant Professors start: **Drs. Ben Clark and Nathan Pentkowski**. Each of these individuals are in our Cognition, Brain, & Behavior area. We *did* hire a new Lecturer, **Dr. Allen Butt**, and were able to turn a part-time instructor position into a Term Lecturer position for **Eric Jackson**.

Once again, the faculty are doing very well overall! Our 29 voting faculty averaged **4.5 publications** each, and several received grants for the first time. Our part-time Assistant Professor, **Dr. Kamilla Venner**, successfully passed her mid-probationary review.

We look forward to hearing from you—especially our alumni!

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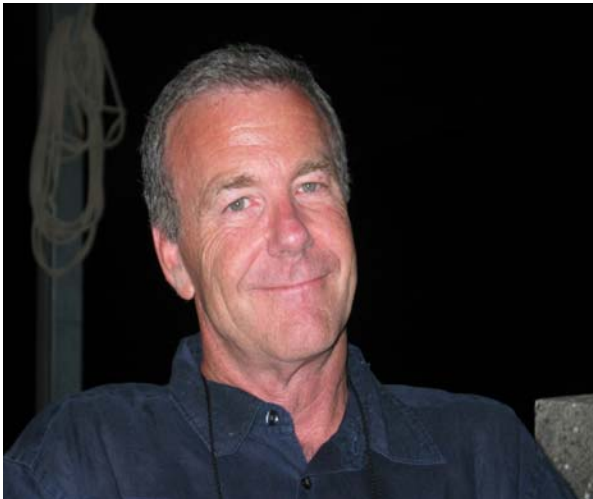
Mike Dougher 's last year

Say It Ain't So ...



Finishing his 36th year at UNM, Dr. Michael Dougher is retiring at the end of the spring 2016 semester. He received his bachelor's degree from UCLA, his Ph.D. from the University of Illinois at Chicago, and completed his clinical internship at the VAMC in Northampton, MA before joining the UNM Psychology Department in 1980. His original plan was to stay at UNM for a few years before exploring other options, but the "Land of Entrapment" prevailed, and it became harder and harder to consider leaving such a beautiful and unique place. As Mike said: "It is, after all, the only state where pain is a flavor".

After moving through the academic ranks, Dr. Dougher served eight years (1994-2002) as chair of the Psychology Department before moving to other administrative positions at UNM. These included Associate Dean for Research in the College of Arts and Sciences, Associate Vice President for Research, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, and Vice President for Research. While his administrative positions were interesting and challenging, Dr. Dougher is very clear that the best of times at UNM were those spent working with a series of wonderfully creative and inspiring graduate students to whom he is most deeply indebted.



New Faculty

Allen Butt

Dr. Butt earned his Ph.D. here in our department in 1995. As a graduate student, he received the department's Haught Memorial Lecture Award, and UNM's Graduate Student Association's Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher Award. Allen completed a 2-year postdoctoral research fellowship at the Universite' de Montreal before beginning his academic career at Indiana State University. He then joined the faculty at California State University San Bernardino (CSUSB), where he conducted behavioral neuroscience research. Allen received the 2003 Sigma Xi Scientific Research Society Regional Young Investigator of the Year Award in Life and Social Sciences. As a member of the faculty at CSUSB, he received the Psychology Department's Outstanding Faculty Teaching Award (2004) and the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences' Award for Outstanding Teaching and Instruction (2005). In 2010 he achieved the rank of full professor. Allen also held administrative positions at CSUSB, including Director of the University Honors Program and Assistant Dean of Undergraduate Studies. Eventually, he decided that he had been away from his native state of New Mexico for long enough, and so he returned in 2013, joining the department first as an adjunct faculty member and now as a full-time Lecturer III. Allen's research has focused on the role of the basal forebrain cholinergic system in learning and memory. His most recent work examines the relationship between changes in acetylcholine release in the sensory cortex in rats and changes in behavioral performance in various associative learning paradigms. In addition to his continued love of teaching, Allen enjoys building and flying radio-controlled sailplanes, bicycling across the state, laughing out loud with his son, August, and enjoying the big blue New Mexico skies along with his wife, Sarah.



Eric Jackson

Eric completed his B.A. degree in Psychology at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. In 2000, he and his wife, Kathy, moved to New Mexico where he obtained his Master of Science, also in Psychology, at UNM. He then went back to school at Central New Mexico Community College (CNM) to complete a teaching education program, culminating in receiving his Secondary Education License with endorsements in science and psychology. After working as a long-term sub at Rio Rancho High School, Eric returned to the UNM Psychology Department to teach full time as a Lecturer. Although considered new faculty, Eric has taught psychology since 2006. His teaching interests are primarily in the Cognitive/Brain & Behavior area, but he can be found teaching a variety of courses. When not in the classroom, Eric is the Vice President of GREY2K USA Worldwide, an international greyhound advocacy group, and Communications Director for Greyhound Companions of New Mexico, a greyhound rescue, adoption, and advocacy group. He also volunteers with NMDOG, an all-breeds rescue based in the Albuquerque area. Eric and Kathy share their home with four greyhounds and one Pibble mix.

Recognizing Dr. Delaney for 40 Years

Dr. Harold Delaney was the longest-serving faculty member in our department's history! He was the final faculty member hired by the legendary former chair Frank Logan, and has interacted with 10 department chairs.



(Above-left) Harold Delaney, Kevin & Janet Vowles;
(Above-right) Terri Moyers, Bill Miller, Harold Delaney

Introductions by
Chair Jane
Ellen
Smith



(Above) Sarah Delaney Camp,
holding James

We had a full house to honor Dr. Delaney at his retirement dinner in March 2015—family, faculty (current and emeritus), graduate students, staff—all turned out to celebrate!



(Below) John Gluck, Gordon
Hodge, Lynette Cofer



Psychology Honors Program

The Psychology Department celebrated a Golden Jubilee for the Honors Program in Spring 2015, with a special event in the Bobo Room at Hodgkin Hall. **Dr. Kathy Haaland** gave a tribute as one of the earliest honors students, and **Dr. John Gluck** gave the keynote address. We had former Honors graduates attending from all over the country, including: **Pauline Sawyers**, Associate Professor at Oakwood University, and **Douglas C. Taylor**, Organizational Psychologist at FAA.

The Honors Program involves a total of 12 semester hours distributed over the Junior (PSY 391, 392) and Senior (491, 492) years. It is completed by a small number of qualified psychology majors. In the senior year each student works with an individual faculty advisor to design and complete an individual research project. Upon completion of the program and with the recommendation by the Psychology Faculty, students graduate with Honors in Psychology. Based on work in the Honors courses and the individual research project, students are selected to graduate from UNM with one of the following levels of honor: Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, and Summa Cum Laude.

For the 2014-2015 academic year: the Outstanding Thesis Award recipient was **Stephanie N. McMichael** (mentor: **Martin Jones**); the Rachel Dowler Outstanding Student Award was shared by **Jared DiDomenico** (mentor: **Jacob Vigil**) and **Katherine Kelton** (mentor: **Teddy Warner**).

Name	Advisor(s)
Mikaela Armenta	Katie Witkiewitz & Vince Clark
Jared DiDomenico	Jacob Vigil
Tia N. Donaldson	Derek Hamilton
Natalia Lara Gonzalez	Theresa Moyers & Kent Kiehl
Alexander G. Hall	Katie Witkiewitz
Katherine Kelton	Teddy Warner
Stephanie McMichael	Martin Jones
Mercedes B. Pratt	Sarah Erickson
Gabriel J. Roybal	Eric Ruthruff
Oksana Tretiak	Kristina Ciesielski
Aspen R. Wilks	Robin Ohls

The Holiday Recognition of Excellence Dinner

... was held at Garduño's Uptown
in December 2014

Good prizes, good
New Mexican food,
good fun for all ...



Rikk Murphy, Tessa Jordan, Derek & Brandi Hamilton
(above)



Adam Wilson, Corey Roos, Natalia
Moss, Rebecca Rieger, Rob Bailey,
Melissa Pielech (below)



Kelsey Serier, Jacki
Janowich (above).
Barbara & Denny
McCrary (below)



Alf Aragon & Bob Meyers





(Left) Jim Cavanagh with Lydia, & Santa

(Below-middle) Kim Larrañaga, Esther Golden, Rae Ramirez, Trish Aragon-Mascareñas, Miquela Ortiz

(Below- lower) Elizabeth Yeater & Olive, with Santa (Ryan Hodge)



Vince Clark, Ben Clark, Hussein Al Azzawi, Greg Lieberman (above)

Erik Richert, Katie Witkiewitz, & Janet Vowles



Diversity Organization

The Diversity Organization! (DO!) at the University of New Mexico (UNM) is the product of students' visions of a more diverse field. DO!'s mission is to enhance the diversity of psychology and other helping professions in the areas of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religion/spirituality, and disability. It also seeks to increase visibility and tolerance of diversity, but most importantly acceptance. Student members, with the support of their faculty advisors, Drs. Steven P. Verney and Kamilla Venner--both minority researchers themselves--engage in an array of activities consistent with DO!'s mission.

Recent DO! Sponsored events:

- Held an annual cultural pot-luck (hosted by Dr. Terri Moyers, Fall 2014);
- Hosted a coffee hour during the department's Open House for visiting graduate school applicants;
- Organized a diversity training for the clinical case conferences with Dr. Jude Pardee on psychologists' possible roles and ethical considerations in immigrant detention centers;
- Developed and hosted a workshop for undergraduate students interested in psychology graduate programs;
- Provided general guidance and supervision in the department on diversity and multicultural matters;
- Co-sponsored a presentation by Maria Yellow Horse Brave Heart on Historical Trauma in Native communities;
- Co-sponsored a holiday charity drive for Albuquerque Healthcare for the Homeless;
- Hosted a movie viewing and discussion for the film "This is a Stereotype".



The purpose of the Graduate Association of Students in Psychology (GASP) is to create and maintain a departmental atmosphere which fosters scholarships among psychology graduate students by ensuring resources that will benefit all students as well as provide a supportive social network. All enrolled psychology graduate students are eligible for membership.

A few planned activities are: a Halloween Party, a holiday toy/book drive, a holiday party, and the Annual Psychology Research Day. We hope to end the year with a faculty and graduate student softball game and BBQ.

For further information, visit the GASP website: <http://www.unm.edu/~gasp/index.html>

2014-2015 GASP Officers:

President: Gabriela Lopez
Vice President: Chris McLouth
Treasurer: Chance Strenth
Secretary: Rebecca Rieger
Librarian: Sarah Dinces

GPSA Rep: Amber Dukes
Clinical 1st & 2nd year Rep: Rob Bailey
Clinical 3+years Rep: Mandy Owens
Ev/Dev Rep: Nick Grebe
CBB Rep: Aaron Jones

Dirty Dash




Psychology people—and their friends and family—are even happy to get dirty to raise money for charity! (See page 22 for more details)



Participants were: Hussein Al-Azzawi, Clark Bird, Jim Cavanagh, Kelly Erickson, Gaby Lopez, Christy Magcalas, Amanda Mueller, Rikk Murphy, Patricia Rodriguez, Sephira Ryman, Brandi Seaman, Lizzie Stein, Chance Strenth, Jenny Wagner, Adam Wilson, Katie Witkiewitz, and the Griffin Family (Lauren, Carol-Ann, Skip). Special thanks to Barbara McCrady, Steve Gangestad, and Terri Moyers who sponsored graduate student runners.

News Briefs



- ◆ Assistant Professor **Kamilla Venner** successfully passed her mid-probationary review this year. Great job Kamilla!
- ◆ The faculty who received the Grice Foundation Research Enhancement Awards this year were: **Ben Clark, Nate Pentkowski, & Akaysha Tang**
- ◆ Lecturer Search Committee: **Gordon Hodge** (chair), **Steve Alley, Jacob Vigil, Kevin Vowles, Katie Witkiewitz.**
- ◆ Cultural Bias Awareness Workshop was held for interested faculty in the department. It was offered by local expert Susana Rinderle.
- ◆ New committees this year: Faculty Professional Development (**Geoffrey Miller**, chair) & Faculty/Graduate Student Ideas Exchange (**Kevin Vowles**, chair).
- ◆  **Steve Verney** received one of the college's first Advancement Semester awards, which were created to assist Associate Professors work toward promotion to Full Professor.
- ◆ **Harold Delaney** gave a beautiful commencement address this year. It was entitled, "For Such a Time as This".

Recognition of Excellence Awards for Faculty (Awarded Dec. 2014):

- ◆ Highest Faculty IDEA Rating for AY 2013-2014 (Small Class): **Jane Ellen Smith**; PSY 335L - Clinical Psychology Lab
- ◆ Highest Faculty IDEA Rating for AY 2013-2014 (Large Class): **Kevin Vowles**; PSY 280 - Health Psychology
- ◆ Most 1st-Authored Publications for 2014: **Katie Witkiewitz** (11), **Kevin Vowles** (9) & **Jacob Vigil** (9)
- ◆ Publication in Highest Impact Journal: (as 1st author): **Jim Cavanagh**: Cavanagh, J.F. & Frank, M.J. (2014) Frontal theta as a mechanism for cognitive control. *Trends in Cognitive Science*. [Impact Factor: 21.15]

News Briefs

- ◆ **Dr. Elizabeth Yeater**, Dir. of Clinical Training, took charge of our clinical program's APA re-certification process this year. We received the maximum number of years of certification available: 7 years!
- ◆ Graduate student TA/GA stipends were increased by \$1,000 thanks to the efforts of the Psychology Faculty and graduate student advisor **Rikk Murphy**.
- ◆ **Letters of Academic Title** were awarded to the following people this year for their contributions (research collaborations, clinical supervision, teaching) to our department: **Dr. Annette Brooks, Diane Castillo, Heather Conyngham, Brian Kersh, & Evelyn Sandeen**. All of these psychologists work at the VA.
- ◆ **Dr. Pilar Sanjuan**, a psychologist at CASAA, was awarded the title of Research Assistant Professor in the department.
- ◆ **Lindsay Britt**, Grants Coordinator, has completed training for the Certified Pre-award Research Administrator (CPRA). This designation is a very high honor, as it is one of the few ways to get certified in the field of Research Grant Administration. We are lucky to have you on board, Lindsay!
- ◆ Associate Chairs: **Steve Verney** (Graduate Education) & **Gordon Hodge** (Under-graduate Education); Area Heads (2014-2015): **Elizabeth Yeater** (Clinical), **Derek Hamilton** (Cognition, Brain, & Behavior), **Steve Gangestad** (Evolution/Development), **Harold Delaney** (Quantitative), and **Sarah Erickson** (Health Psychology).
- ◆ Quad-L Speaker this year: **Dr. Ralph Miller** (Distinguished Professor of Psychology, SUNY-Binghamton). His talk was, "The Persistence of Memory".
- ◆ Elected Salary Committee: **Steve Gangestad** (chair), **Barbara McCrady, Derek Hamilton, & Ron Yeo**.
- ◆ Faculty senators **Geoffrey Miller & David Witherington** actively worked on free speech issues.



Graduation Spring 2015



Ph.D and Masters Candidates with Program Coordinator, Rikk Murphy (see pages 14, 20-21)



Keynote Speaker, Dr. Harold Delaney

Psychology Honors Students with Dr. Delaney (see page 5)

Psi-Chi officer Crystal Norberto (on left) with two other Psi Chi members



Graduation Spring 2015



Faculty, staff & students wore pink leis in memory of Briana Hillard, daughter of instructor Mike Hillard, killed in a car accident in December 2014



BAC Students, Lenaya Montoya and Kristin Tubbs, with Program Coordinator, Marni Goldberg

Honor's Student Greeting: Stephanie McMichael



The long line ...



... and the packed auditorium.



DOCTORAL DEGREES AWARDED

Academic Year 2014-2015

<i>Student Name</i>	<i>Title of Dissertation</i>	<i>Faculty Advisor</i>
<i>William Campbell</i>	<i>“A New Kind of Therapeutic Relationship: Exploring Factors that Influence the Effectiveness of Computer-Delivered Interventions for Alcohol Use Disorders”</i>	<i>Michael Dougher</i>
<i>Glory Emmanuel</i>	<i>“The Malleability of University Students' Beliefs, Values, and Attitudes in the Classroom Setting”</i>	<i>Harold Delaney</i>
<i>Rachael Falcon</i>	<i>“Mutability of the Green-Eyed Monster: A Functional Approach to Understanding the Distinction between Benign and Hostile Envy”</i>	<i>Steve Gangestad</i>
<i>Brenna Greenfield</i>	<i>“Discrimination, Substance Use, and Cultural Buffers Among Native American College Students”</i>	<i>Kamilla Venner</i>
<i>Christopher Jenkins</i>	<i>“Sensorimotor Synchronization and Individual Differences in Intelligence: A Chronometric Perspective on Music Evolution”</i>	<i>Geoffrey Miller</i>
<i>Xiaoshen Jin</i>	<i>“The Development of Identity in Preschoolers”</i>	<i>David Witherington</i>
<i>Yajaira Johnson-Esparza</i>	<i>“Latino in the U.S.: Do Ethnic Identity and Family Support Protect Against Ethnic Discrimination”</i>	<i>Steven Verney</i>
<i>Tessa Jordan</i>	<i>“The Development of Preschoolers' Living Kinds Concept: A Longitudinal Study”</i>	<i>David Witherington</i>
<i>Alexis Ortiz</i>	<i>“Bridging the Gap: A Comparison of an Adapted and Standard Version of Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction with Latino Populations.”</i>	<i>Bruce Smith</i>

Clinical Internships

The clinical students who applied for internships this past year did very well. The students and their internship sites for 2015-2016 are:

Katherine Belon	Albuquerque VA Medical Center, Albuquerque, NM
Julie Brovko	US MED-FED Prison, Springfield, MO
Jennifer Crawford	Salem VA Medical Center, Salem, VA
Kari Leiting	Cincinnati VA Medical Center, Cincinnati, OH
Mandy Owens	University of Washington, Seattle WA
Laurie Steffen	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

Clinical students who finished their internships just recently were:

Brenna Greenfield	Southwest Consortium/NM/VAHC
Sarah Hile	UCLA-SEMEL Institute for Neuroscience, Los Angeles, CA
Yajaira Johnson-Esparza	University of Colorado School of Medicine, Aurora, CO
Erica Nason	Southwest Consortium/NM/VAHC, Albuquerque, NM
William Campbell	Cincinnati VA Medical Center
Daniel Fischer	VA Puget Sound, American Lake, Tacoma WA
J. Alexis Ortiz	VA Palo Alto Health Care System, Palo Alto, CA
Shirley Crotwell	Boston Consortium in Clinical Psychology, Boston MA



UNM celebrated its 125th birthday last year. In this photo, Psychology Department faculty and staff are on the north steps of Logan Hall.



Psychology Department Retreat



(Above) Kelly Erickson, Graham Ford, Liz McCallion, Lizzie Stein, Sam Hedges



(Above) Violette Cloud, Kelsey Serier, Jacki Janowich



(Right:) Lydia & Connor Cavanagh

(Below) Anne Guzman, David Guzman, Ryan Ross, Chance Strenth

(Below) Hussein Al Az-zawi, Aaron Jones, Jamie Lenberg



& Welcome Back to School!

Hosted by Jane Ellen Smith & Bob Meyers



(Above) Derek Hamilton, Nate Pentkowski, Ben Clark [the CBB boys];
(Right) Gaby Lopez, Rob Bailey, Carlos Rodriguez;
(Below:) Kamilla Venner & Alf Aragón



(Above) Nikki Rowell & Brian Sanchez



(Below) Chris Larrañaga, Nicole Herrera, Brandon Martinez, Carlos Vega, Esther Golden, Kim Larrañaga



Graduate Awards

Robert Wood Johnson Doctoral Fellowships for 2014-2015: **Patricia Rodriguez Espinosa** (mentor: **Steve Verney**), **Jeremiah Simmons** (mentor: **Jane Ellen Smith**), and **Justina Avila** (mentor: **Steven Verney**)

Grice Fellowship Recruitment Award (\$3,000 each): **Violette Cloud** (mentor: **Kamilla Venner**), and **Jacki Janowich** (mentor: **Jim Cavanagh**)

Rosenblum Award for work with children/families (\$1000): **Melissa Pielech** (mentor: **Kevin Vowles**)

Garland Award for work with adolescents (\$1000): **Jennifer Benson** (mentor: **Sarah Erickson**)

The Benjamin Haught Lecture Award (\$1000): **Brenna Greenfield** (mentor: **Kamilla Venner**)

The Benjamin Haught Summer Scholarship (\$3000): **Laurie Steffen** (mentor: **Kevin Vowles**)

The Jose Rodriguez Travel Award (\$750): **Justina Avila** (mentor: **Steven Verney**)

Best Teacher (\$300): **Tessa Margett Jordan** (mentor: **David Witherington**)

Best Teacher – Runner-Up (\$100): **Patrick Coulombe** (mentor: **Harold Delaney**)

Best Clinical Paper (\$300): **Melissa Pielech** (mentor: **Kevin Vowles**)

Best Clinical Paper - Runner-Up (\$100): **Kari Leiting** (mentor: **Elizabeth Yeater**)

Best Experimental Paper (\$300): **Patrick Coulombe** (mentor: **Harold Delaney**)

Special Service Award for Assistance to Director of Clinical Training (\$100 each): **Nikki Rowell** (mentor: **Terri Moyers**), and **Melissa Pielech** (mentor: **Kevin Vowles**)

Recognition of Excellence Awards (all prizes were a certificate & a Gift Card):

Highest IDEA Rating for Fall 2013 (small class): **Tessa Margett Jordan** (mentor: **David Witherington**), Cognitive Development

Highest IDEA Rating for Spring 2014 (large class): **Julie Brovko**, (mentor: **Barbara McCrady**), Psychology of Human Sexuality

Most Publications for 2014: **Mandy Owens** (mentor: **Barbara McCrady**)

Graduate Student Co-Author of a 2014 Book: **Mike Trumbo** (mentor: **Vince Clark**), *Cognitive Neuroscience of Human Systems: Work and Everyday Life*

Publication in Highest Impact Journal (1st Author): **Katy Belon** (mentor: **Jane Ellen Smith**), *International Journal of Eating Disorders*

Publication in Highest Impact Journal: **Liz McLaughlin** (mentor: **Jane Ellen Smith**), *International Journal of Eating Disorders*

RESEARCH DAY

10th ANNUAL PSYCHOLOGY RESEARCH DAY SCHEDULE—Friday, April 10, 2015

9:00-10:00 AM: PAL Talk—Bruce Ellis, University of Arizona, Entitled: “The Adaptive Calibration Model of Stress Responsivity: An Empirical Test in the TRAILS Study”

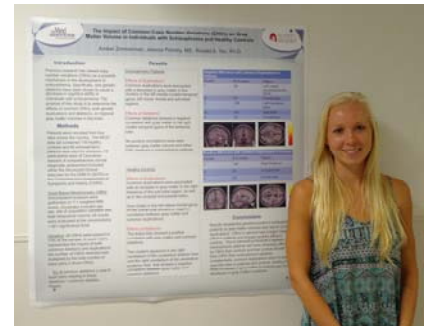
10:00-11:00 AM—Graduate Student Poster Session

11:00-12:00 PM—Student “Blitz” (5 min. oral presentation)

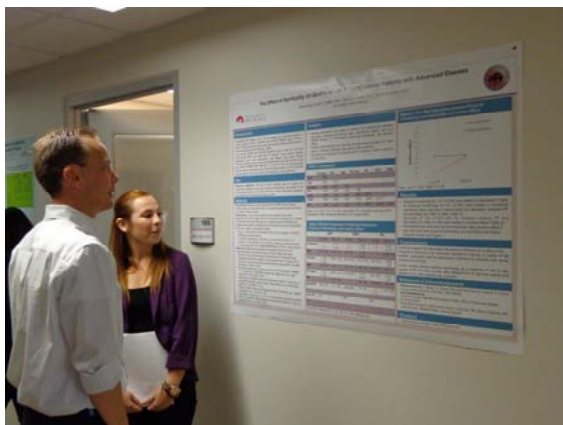
1:00-2:00 PM—Undergraduate Student Poster Session

2:00-2:30 PM—Graduate Student Awards

2:30-4:00 PM—Diversity Organization (DO!) Workshop



Amber Zimmerman displays her poster.



Jaime King discusses her poster with Kevin Vowles.



Homer Hubbell discussing his poster with another student.

MASTER'S DEGREES AWARDED

Academic Year - 2014-2015

<i>Student Name</i>	<i>Title of Thesis</i>	<i>Faculty Advisor</i>
<i>Adrienne Borders</i>	<i>“Social Network Influences and College Student Drinking”</i>	<i>Barbara McCrady</i>
<i>Samantha Fede</i>	<i>“Neural Basis of Positive, Negative, and Controversial Moral Processing in Incarcerated Adult Males with Psychopathic Traits”</i>	<i>Kent Kiehl</i>
<i>Nicholas Grebe</i>	<i>“Oxytocin and Romantic Relationships: A Functional Perspective”</i>	<i>Steven Gangestad</i>
<i>Megan Kirouac</i>	<i>“Measure Development of an Assessment of Hitting Bottom’ for Individuals with Problematic Alcohol Use”</i>	<i>Katie Witkiewitz</i>
<i>Christy Magcalas</i>	<i>“Examining the Effects of a Sub-Chronic Exposure to Phencyclidine: An Analysis of Functional Network Connectivity, Behavior and mRNA Expression”</i>	<i>Derek Hamilton</i>
<i>John Pinner</i>	<i>“Using Electroencephalography to Assess Risky Behavior in Varying Levels of Conflict”</i>	<i>Jim Cavanagh</i>
<i>Jessica Pommy</i>	<i>“Detecting Executive Function Subtypes in Individuals with Schizophrenia and Healthy Controls”</i>	<i>Ron Yeo</i>
<i>Carlos Rodriguez</i>	<i>“The Effects of Moderate Prenatal Alcohol Exposure on Resting State Functional Connectivity and its Relationship to Behavior”</i>	<i>Derek Hamilton</i>
<i>Corey Roos</i>	<i>“Patterns of Alcohol-Specific Coping among Individuals with Alcohol Use Disorder: Does Coping Repertoire Matter?”</i>	<i>Katie Witkiewitz</i>

MASTER'S DEGREES AWARDED

Academic Year - 2014-2015

<i>Student Name</i>	<i>Title of Thesis</i>	<i>Faculty Advisor</i>
<i>Nikki Rowell</i>	<i>“Investigating Joint Attention Behaviors and Episodes In 18-Month Toddlers Born Very Low Birth Weight Compared to Toddlers Born Full-Term”</i>	<i>Sarah Erickson</i>
<i>Elizabeth Stein</i>	<i>“Perceived Social Support and Loneliness and Predictors of Cardiac Rehabilitation Outcomes”</i>	<i>Bruce Smith</i>
<i>Andre Vakhtin</i>	<i>“Aberrant Development of Post-Movement Beta Rebound in Young Adults with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders”</i>	<i>Claudia Tesche</i>



Psi Chi is the National Honor Society in Psychology, founded in 1929 for the purposes of encouraging, stimulating, and maintaining excellence in scholarship, and advancing the science of psychology. Membership is open to graduate and undergraduate men and women who are making the study of psychology one of their major interests and who meet the minimum qualifications. Psi Chi is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies and is an affiliate of the American Psychological Association (APA) and the Association for Psychological Science (APS).

Upcoming events include:

- ◇ Food Drive for Roadrunner Food Bank
- ◇ Sock/Clothing Drive for Homeless

Like us on Facebook, Psi Chi UNM Chapter for up-to-date events.

Psi Chi Officers:

Ali Nelson—President
Shannon O'Brien—Vice President
Rachel Mehockko—Treasurer
Suzanne Semels—Secretary
Darren Brown—Public Relations / Historian

Faculty Advisors

David Witherington—dcwither@unm.edu
Romina Angeleri—rangeleri@unm.edu

Years of Service to UNM & the Community

Between faculty & staff, the Psychology Department has logged over 6 centuries of service to UNM—613 years to be precise. Faculty members have been at UNM—and in the Psychology Department—for a total of 470 years. Staff members have been at UNM for a combined total of 143 years, and in Psychology for 76 of those years. But in addition to serving UNM, here are some of the ways we have served our community ...

The department collects items every year to benefit the New Mexico Animal Humane Society, and groups, such as Joy Junction, that serve the homeless community in Albuquerque.

Joy Junction



The department raised nearly a thousand dollars to benefit Boys & Girls Clubs of Saugerties NY, and the Rio Rancho Special Olympics.



Bruce W. Smith has taught Positive Psychology courses at UNM for 10 years. The focus of Positive Psychology is the application of modern psychology and science to enable people to increase their happiness and well-being and live life to the fullest. Dr. Smith has given talks and workshops to enable campus and community organizations to benefit from what Positive Psychology has to offer. These organizations have included student and campus organizations at UNM, and businesses, churches, and government and professional organizations in the Albuquerque and New Mexico communities.



Dirty Dash—A number of faculty, grad students, staff and family members ran in the Dirty Dash to raise money for FeedONE, an organization which provides meals for hungry children around the world.

[see page 9 for names of participants]

Outside Sponsored Research

Title of Research

Funding Organization

Principal Investigator



Affective Dynamics and Alcohol Outcomes: An Ecological Momentary Assessment Study

Matthew Pearson



Brief Motivational Interventions for Male Drinkers Being Released from Jail

Mandy Owens
(Barbara McCrady, mentor)

Predictors of Daily Quality of Life in Lung Cancer Patients During Treatment

Laurie Steffen
(Kevin Vowles, mentor)



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