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From the Chair
Jane Ellen Smith, Ph.D.



This is the 9th issue of the new and improved Psychology Department newsletter; the 8th one since I became chair of the department eight 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.

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 **406 bachelor's degrees** in psychology were awarded. We offered **75 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 **71 publications** this year. We received **245 applications** to our graduate program, and we admitted a larger class this year: 16.

Faculty: We had one tenure-track faculty search this past year, which resulted in us hiring **Dr. Davood Tofighi**. He will bring his outstanding statistical expertise to the department. We felt very lucky to be able to recruit him.

Once again, the faculty are doing very well overall! Our **28** voting faculty averaged **4.5 publications** each. And the department had an all-time high as far as grant money: **\$2,212,622**.

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

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*Spotlight on: **Katie Witkiewitz***



Dr. Witkiewitz joined the UNM Dept. of Psychology as an Associate Professor in Fall 2012. She graduated from the Univ. of Washington in 2005 with her PhD in Clinical Psychology, and it took her a while to find her way to her “dream job” at UNM. She previously held appointments as an Assist. Prof. at Washington State University-Vancouver and the Univ. of Illinois at Chicago. Her research focuses on the application of advanced quantitative research methods to better understand changes in alcohol use disorder over time, and the development of mindfulness-based interventions to prevent alcohol and drug relapse. Katie is a publishing “machine”; she has over 115

peer reviewed papers, over 20 book chapters, and both authored and edited books. The quality of her work is top-rate too, as many of the papers are in very high impact journals. Dr. Witkiewitz also has approximately \$5 million in current grants as PI.

Katie devotes a great deal of her time to professional, university, and department service. She is President of the Society of Addiction Psychology and she has organized numerous professional meetings. At the University level, she is currently a member of the UNM Research Strategic Planning Committee. Among her many roles as a UNM faculty member, Dr. Witkiewitz enjoys teaching and mentoring above all else, and is thrilled with the opportunity to work with such amazing and talented undergraduate and graduate students.



When Dr. Witkiewitz is not running statistical models, writing papers, teaching courses, or sitting in a committee meeting she is often jet-setting across the world for a variety of conferences and meetings. Outside of work, Dr. Witkiewitz is extremely happy to be in the Land of Enchantment with so many sunny days a year (a big switch from her years of graduate school in Seattle!). Every weekend you can find her hiking in the East Mountains and enjoying the view from her home in Cedar Crest with her husband, Erik, and her wonderful dog, Aggie.



Faculty Promotion

Derek Hamilton

Dr. Hamilton was promoted to Full Professor in summer 2016. He is a 2003 graduate of our program who joined the faculty in 2005. He has served as Area Head for the Cognition, Brain, and Behavior area since 2011. His research, which has been funded by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism since 2006, examines the long-term consequences of exposure to alcohol during prenatal development on learning, memory, and social behavior. Derek hopes to improve understanding of how prenatal alcohol exposure affects neural circuits involved in behavior and cognition, and to identify prospective treatment strategies. His recent findings point to increased excitatory activity in the prefrontal cortex as a principal factor in alcohol-related changes in social behavior. His future work will investigate how prenatal alcohol exposure produces increased frontal cortex excitation and will assess pharmacological and behavioral interventions. In 2015 he was elected as an officer of the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Study Group; he will serve as President in 2018. Derek and his wife, Dr. Brandi Fink (a 2010 graduate of the program), live in Corrales with their two horses (Blueberry and Zamora) and menagerie of dogs and cats.

New Faculty

Davood Tofighi

Dr. Tofighi was hired as an Assist. Prof. in Aug. He came from the Georgia Institute of Technology where he'd been an Assist. Prof. in their School of Psychology. He received his bachelor's in Industrial Engineering from Sharif Univ. in Tehran, Iran. In 2001 he received his Master's degrees in Industrial Engineering & Educational Psychology (Univ. of Nebraska). Dr. Tofighi received his PhD in Quantitative Psychology from Arizona State, where he developed and applied statistical techniques (e.g., multilevel mediation and structural equation modeling, growth mixture modeling, Bayesian statistics) to health and prevention studies. His publications have appeared in prestigious methods journals such as *Psychological Methods*, *Structural Equation Modeling*, and *British Journal of Mathematical and Statistical Psychology*. He has several highly cited papers already; "RMediation: An R package for mediation analysis confidence intervals" has been cited 377 times since 2011. Davood and his wife, Stephanie, who is a Faculty Research Support Officer in the UNM Vice President of Research Office, enjoy traveling and spending time outdoors with their two sons, Kayvan who is 3.5 years old and Ashkon (9 wks.)



Faculty Awards



Marco Del Giudice, PhD (left) Assistant Professor, received an Early Career Award from HBES (Human Behavior and Evolution Society) which: “recognizes excellent young scientists who have made distinguished theoretical and/or empirical contributions to the study of evolution and human behavior.”



(Right) **Bruno Gagnon**, PhD, was named UNM’s Outstanding Online Teacher of the Year for 2015-2016.

Academic Program Review (APR)

The department went through its APR this year. The self-study was submitted in Dec. 2015, and the site visit was Feb. 2016. The review committee consisted of Drs. David P. Mackinnon (Arizona State), G. Terence Wilson (Rutgers), and Gabriel R. Sanchez (UNM). The reviewers offered high praise for the department overall. Areas that require attention include: Faculty vulnerability (anticipated retention concerns due to the high quality of our faculty), graduate student support (low stipends), inadequate space/resources, problematic interactions with the Health Science Center (primarily due to tension over F & A splits), Health Psychology concentration question (whether to eliminate), poor department visibility both nationally and locally, lack of recognition for community service that is done, and lengthy graduate student program completion time. Importantly, our own analyses suggested that our department is on track for improving dramatically in the rankings at the time of the next National Research Council study. Realistically we could move from the 50th ranking for the 105 public institutions granting multiple PhDs in psychology to approximately the 22nd. Of course, this could change quickly and significantly if we lose some of our most prominent faculty.

Psychology Honors Program

The Psychology Department hosted its 51st Senior Honors Symposium on May 2, 2016 at the Bobo room in Hodgkin Hall. Opening remarks were given by **Jane Ellen Smith**, Professor and Chair of Psychology, and **Harold Delaney**, Professor and Head of the Honors Program. All the Senior Honors students (names listed below) presented the results of their research projects in formal talks, and this was followed by the presentation of awards by **Eric Ruthruff**.

For the 2015-2016 academic year: the Outstanding Thesis Award recipient was **Wendy Nguyen** (mentors: **Laurie Steffen** and **Kevin Vowles**), and the Rachel Dowler Outstanding Student Award recipient was **Victoria Newton** (mentor: **Kristina Ciesielski**).

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.

Name	Advisor(s)
Elizabeth Bates	Elizabeth Yeater
Joseph LaMendola	Geoffrey Miller
Andrea Mueller	Jim Cavanagh
Victoria Newton	Kristina Ciesielski
Wendy Nguyen	Laurie Steffen & Kevin Vowles
David Reeves	Eric Ruthruff

The Holiday Recognition of Excellence Dinner

... was held at
Buco di Beppo in
December 2015

Good prizes,
good family-style
Italian food, good
fun for all ...



Above:
Erik Richert, Katie Witkie-
witz, Romina Angeleri,
Marco Del Giudice, Kevin
Vowles, Kaidyn Vowles



Above:
Olive & Eric Levensky

Above:
Derek Hamilton & Brandi Fink

Below:
Gaby Lopez, Justina Avila, Re-
becca Rieger



Below:
Marni Goldberg and her
children, Madelyn and
Cameron



Above:
Guess
Who!?



Above: Kim Larrañaga



Above: Mary & Dick Harris

Right: Jane Ellen Smith
& Kamilla Venner



Below: Xayo Muen-
phalangchai & Hussein
Al Azzawi



Right:
Torin, Sara
Brant &
Steve
Gangestad



Above: Kaidyn
Vowles



Left:
Corey & Jena Roos,
Aaron Jones & Jamie
Lenberg (with photo-
bomb by Marco)

Right:
George Mascareñas &
Trish Aragon-
Mascareñas



Diversity Organization

The Diversity Organization! (DO!) at the University of New Mexico 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, **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:

- Annual cultural pot-luck; hosted by Barbara McCrady (Nov. 2015)
- Coffee hour during the department's Open House for visiting graduate school applicants
- A diversity training for the clinical case conferences
- A workshop for undergraduate students interested in psychology graduate programs
- General guidance in the department on diversity and multicultural matters



GRADUATE ASSOCIATION OF STUDENTS OF PSYCHOLOGY

The purpose of the Graduate Association of Students in Psychology (GASP) is to create and maintain a departmental atmosphere which fosters scholarship 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.

Gasp activities were: co-hosting the department's Beginning of the Year Party (Aug 2015); co-hosting the Annual Psychology Research Day (April 2016); and hosting the new end-of-the-year graduate student milestone recognition event. A Thanksgiving gathering and a holiday toy drive were held as well.

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

2015-2016 GASP Officers & Representatives were:

President: Sam Meyer
Vice President: Aaron Jones
Treasurer: Chance Strenth
Secretary: Rebecca Rieger
Librarian: Nick Grebe

GPSA/Health Rep: Amber Dukes
Clinical Reps: 1st year-Kelly Erickson;
2nd year-Melissa Pielech: 3+years-Rob Bailey
Ev/Dev Rep: Ruth Sarafin
CBB Rep: Sam Robinson

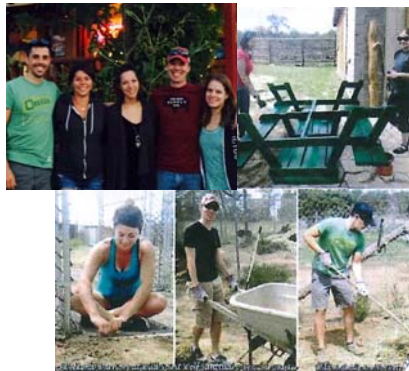
Psychology Volunteers

In the Community



(left) Jim Cavanagh gives yearly talks to the N. M. Parkinson's Coalition. Jim studies the affects of Parkinson's Disease on neurological functioning, and so he sets up a table to illustrate his lab's work. He is shown here with undergrad Honors student, Andrea Mueller.

Sarah Erickson has started a group therapy program for homeless adolescents in APS high schools. The therapists have included graduate students Jeremiah Simmons, Jessica Pommy, Nicole Kubinec, & Natalia Moss.



(above) Kevin Vowles & his grad students: Rob Bailey, Karlyn Edwards, Melissa Pielech, (Kevin) & Mindy Owens. They helped with landscaping & construction on the puppy & rehab habitats at the Wild Spirit Wolf Sanctuary.



(above) Katie Witkiewitz & graduate students: Rob Bailey, Corey Roos, Megan Kirouac, Adam Wilson, Melissa Pielech, & Katie. They volunteer time at Turquoise Lodge Hospital to run mindfulness-based relapse prevention groups.



(above) Grad student Patricia Rodriguez attends health fairs to pass out info on resources for the Latino/Hispanic community, & to recruit for her dissertation. Patricia (right) attended the SE Heights Clinic fair with Viriana Garcia (left).

(right) Ben Clark's lab organized a fundraising team that participated in the Walk to End Alzheimer's. They also had a booth at the NeuroExpo exhibit at the NM Natural History Museum. Lab team: Valerie Warthen, Elizabeth Sneddon, Lilliana Sanchez, Laura Berkowitz, Ryan Harvey, & Shannon Thompson.



Steve Alley gave a talk to the Language Arts faculty at Albuquerque High School on how to motivate students.

News Briefs

- ◆ Assistant Professors **James Cavanagh** (left) and **Marco Del Giudice** (right) breezed through their mid-probationary reviews this year. Congratulations!!



- ◆ Assistant Professor Search Committee: **Katie Witkiewitz** (chair), **Kevin Vowles**, **Sarah Erickson**, **Jacob Vigil**, and **Vince Clark**.
- ◆ The faculty voted to eliminate the Health Psychology concentration (major). It will still be available as a minor.
- ◆ **Vince Clark**, Dir. of our Psych. Clinical Neuroscience Ctr., has started annual international Brain Stimulation & Imaging Meetings. The first (2015) was a joint one with the Univ. of Hawai'i. The second (2016), with the Univ. of Geneva, had 140 attendees from 20 countries.

Recognition of Excellence Awards for Faculty (Awarded Dec. 2015):

- ◆ Highest IDEA Rating for AY 2014-2015 (Small Class): **Katie Witkiewitz**: PSY 650 Latent Variable Modeling.
- ◆ Highest IDEA Rating for AY 2014-2015 (Large Class): **Bruno Gagnon**: PSY 332 Abnormal Behavior; and PSY 376 The Psychology of Love.
- ◆ Most Publications for 2015: **Katie Witkiewitz** (12) and **Kevin Vowles** (8).
- ◆ Publication in Highest Impact Journal as 1st Author:
Ben Clark: Winter, S.S.*, Clark, B.J.*, Taube, J.S. Disruption of the head direction cell network impairs the parahippocampal grid cell signal. *Science*, 347(6224):870-874.
* contributed equally [Impact Factor: 34.4]

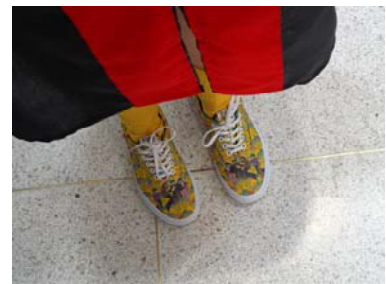
Jim Cavanagh: Cavanagh, J.F. (2015). Cortical delta activities reflect reward prediction error and related behavioral adjustment, but at different times. *NeuroImage*, 110, 205-216. [Impact Factor: 6.357]

News Briefs

- ◆ In May 2016 the Daily Lobo reported that Psychology is the most difficult graduate program to get into at UNM. For the last 5 years, the average number of applicants to our program was 197. We made offers to an average of 21 applicants, and an average of 13 students accepted our offers.
- ◆ Due to a high percentage of students opting to participate in online experiments over face-to-face experiments these days, the number of research points overall was increased in PSY 105, and constraints on the use of online experiments to satisfy these were introduced.
- ◆ **Mike Dougher** gave an inspiring (and yes, highly entertaining) commencement address this year. It was entitled, “Whither the U?”. He also followed through with his threat to retire. **We will miss you, Mike!**
- ◆ The faculty voted to change **Romina Angeleri’s** Visiting Lecturer III title to one of a permanent Lecturer III.
- ◆ **Letters of Academic Title** were renewed with the following people this year for their contributions (research collaborations, clinical supervision, teaching) to our department:: **Drs. David Winter** and **Jonathan Brigman**.
- ◆ Associate Chairs (2015-2016): **Sarah Erickson** (Graduate Education) & **Gordon Hodge** (Undergraduate Education); Area Heads (2015-2016): **Elizabeth Yeater** (Clinical), **Derek Hamilton** (Cognition, Brain, & Behavior), **Steve Gangestad** (Evolution/Development), **Katie Witkiewitz** (Quantitative), and **Kevin Vowles** (Health Psychology).
- ◆ Quad-L Speaker: **Dermot Barnes-Holmes**, Ph.D., Sr. Prof. & Odysseus Laureate in Dept. of Experimental, Clin. & Health Psych., Ghent Univ., Belgium; “Relational Frame Theory: Finding Its Historical & Intellectual Roots & Reflecting Upon Its Future Development”.
- ◆ Elected Salary Committee: **Barbara McCrady** (chair), **Vince Clark**, **Eric Ruthruff**, & **Theresa Moyers**.
- ◆ **Jane Ellen Smith** finished her 8th year as chair. She was nominated for another term and agreed to serve.



Graduation Spring 2016



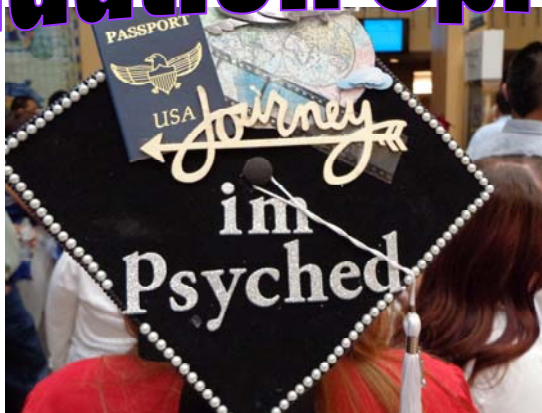
Ph.D and Masters Candidates with Program Coordinator, Rikk Murphy (see pages 14, 15, 20)

Psychology Honors Students: J. LaMendola, J. DiDomenico, A. Mueller, M. Armenta, A. Wilks

The crowd gathering inside ...

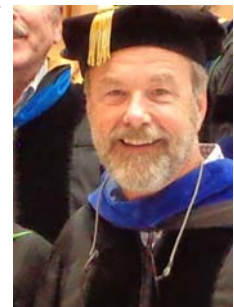


Graduation Spring 2016



Mortarboard
Art—Celebrating
the Accomplish-
ment!

Keynote
Speaker: Dr.
Michael
Dougher



BAC Student,
Nadine
Roberson
with
Program
Coordinator,
Marni Gold-
berg

Grad students waiting for that magic moment.



The long line ...



... and the packed auditorium.



DOCTORAL DEGREES AWARDED

Academic Year 2015-2016

<i>Student Name</i>	<i>Title of Dissertation</i>	<i>Faculty Advisor</i>
<i>Katherine Belon</i>	<i>“Psychologically Healthy Eating and Nutritionally Healthy Eating: Exploring a Two-Factor Theory of Healthy Eating”</i>	<i>Jane Ellen Smith</i>
<i>Julie Brovko</i>	<i>“Increasing Sexual Offenders’ Motivation to Engage in Mandated Substance Abuse Treatment: A Brief Motivation Intervention”</i>	<i>Barbara McCrady</i>
<i>Cheryl Bryan</i>	<i>“Vocational Identity Development Influences College Freshmen Retention: A Longitudinal Study”</i>	<i>David Witherington</i>
<i>Jennifer N Crawford</i>	<i>“Competing Goals: The Effect of Social Expectations on Women’s Judgments of and Responses to Sexual Victimization Risk”</i>	<i>Elizabeth Yeater</i>
<i>Sarah Dinces</i>	<i>“Cancer Experience Modulates the Relationship between Child and Parent Hypothalamic Pituitary Adrenal (HPA) Axis Functioning”</i>	<i>Akaysha Tang</i>
<i>Daniel Fischer</i>	<i>“Motivational Interviewing Treatment Integrity and Client Change: Using ROC Analysis to Explore the Relationship Between MI Fidelity Level and Drinking Outcome”</i>	<i>Theresa Moyers</i>
<i>Michael Hunter</i>	<i>“Expanding Your Cognitive Capacity: An Assessment of the Neuroplastic Changes Associated with Mindfulness Training and Transcranial Stimulation.”</i>	<i>Vince Clark</i>
<i>Julia Keller</i>	<i>“Dyslexia and Mindfulness: Does Mental Training Ameliorate the Symptoms of Dyslexia?”</i>	<i>Eric Ruthruff</i>

DOCTORAL DEGREES AWARDED

Academic Year 2015-2016

<i>Student Name</i>	<i>Title of Dissertation</i>	<i>Faculty Advisor</i>
<i>Kari Leiting</i>	<i>"The Development of the Sexual Assault Script Scale"</i>	<i>Elizabeth Yeater</i>
<i>Per Lysne</i>	<i>"An MEG Investigation of Group Dynamic Directed Functional Connectivity in the Human Face Processing Network"</i>	<i>Ron Yeo</i>
<i>Mandy Owens</i>	<i>"A Randomized Clinical Trial of a Brief Motivational Intervention for Incarcerated Drinkers"</i>	<i>Barbara McCrady</i>

Clinical Internships

Clinical students who finished their internships this year were:

Katherine Belon	Albuquerque VA Medical Center
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

Graduate Fellowships

Jackson-Miller Fellowship: **Elizabeth Stein** (mentor: **Bruce Smith**)

Grice Graduate Fellowships (for Recruitment) (\$3000): **Kristen Vitek** (mentor: **Elizabeth Yeater**) and **Laura Berkowitz** (mentor: **Ben Clark**).

Robert Wood Johnson Fellowships: **Patricia Rodriguez & Justina Avila** (mentor: **Steve Verney**), **Violette Cloud** (mentor: **Kamilla Venner**), **Belinda Vicuna** (mentor: **Harold Delaney**), and **Jeremiah Simmons** (mentor: **Jane Ellen Smith**).

NIAAA Fellowship: **Megan Kirouac** (mentor: **Katie Witkiewitz**)

Center for Regional Studies Fellowship: **Patricia Rodriguez** (mentor: **Steve Verney**)

Psychology Department Retreat



(above) Tessa Cappelle, Darin Brown, Ruth Sarafin



(above) Elizabeth Yeater, Kamilla Venner, Jane Ellen Smith; (left) Fred Loor, Jamie Smith, Devin & Kyle Ulrich; (below) Marni Goldberg, Lauren & Carol-Ann Griffin, Stephanie Tofghi, Katie Witkiewitz



(below) Elizabeth Yeater & daughters Madeline & Chloe



& Welcome Back to School!

Hosted by Jane Ellen Smith & Bob Meyers



(above) Dan Matthews, Michael Faulkes, Rikk Murphy, Patrick Cruz



(above) Jamie Lenberg, Aaron Jones, Chance Strenth, Sam & Bryan Meyer, Angela Combs



(above) Ron Yeo, Derek Hamilton, Brandi Fink, Claudia Tesche, Barbara McCrady; (right) Teddy & Sharon Warner



Graduate Awards

Garland Award (for work with adolescents) (\$1000): **Melissa Pielech** (mentor: **Kevin Vowles**)

Rosenblum Award (for work with children or families) (\$1000): **Natalia Moss** (mentor: **Sarah Erickson**)

Haught Lecture Award (\$1000): **Patrick Coulombe** (mentor: **Harold Delaney**)

Haught Lecture Summer Dissertation Award (\$3000): **Nicholas Grebe** (mentor: **Steve Gangestad**)

Jose Martin Rodriguez Travel Award (\$750): **Gabriela Lopez** (mentor: **Elizabeth Yeater**)

Best Experimental Graduate Student Paper (\$300): **Mike Maurer** (mentor: **Kent Kiehl**).

Best Clinical Graduate Student Paper (\$300): **Corey Roos** (mentor: **Katie Witkiewitz**).

Best Clinical Graduate Student Paper Runner-up (\$100): **Robert Bailey** (mentor: **Kevin Vowles**).

Recognition of Excellence Awards - Graduate Students (awarded Dec. 2015)

Highest Graduate Student IDEA Rating for Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 (Small Class):
Amber Dukes (mentor: **Steve Gangestad**): PSY 302 Psychological Research Techniques.

Highest Graduate Student IDEA Rating for Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 (Large Class):
Patrick Coulombe (mentor: **Harold Delaney**): PSY 200 Statistical Principles.

Most Publications for 2015:

Patrick Coulombe (mentor: **Harold Delaney**): 5 publications (1 as 1st author).

Megan Kirouac (mentor: **Katie Witkiewitz**): 4 publications (1 as 1st author).

Publication in Highest Impact Journal as 1st Author:

Nicholas Grebe (mentor: **Steve Gangestad**), in *Hormones and Behavior* [Impact factor: 4.63]

Publication in Highest Impact Journal (any Author):

Michael Hunter (mentor: **Vince Clark**), in *British Journal of Psychiatry* [Impact factor: 7.99]

Research Day

11th ANNUAL PSYCHOLOGY RESEARCH DAY

9:00-10:00 **Sephira Ryman**, Advanced Clinical Graduate Student, UNM Psychology Department
Presentation: "Multisensory Cognitive Control in Health and Schizophrenia"

10:00-11:00 Graduate Student Poster Session

11:00-12:00 Data Blitz (7 min. presentations)

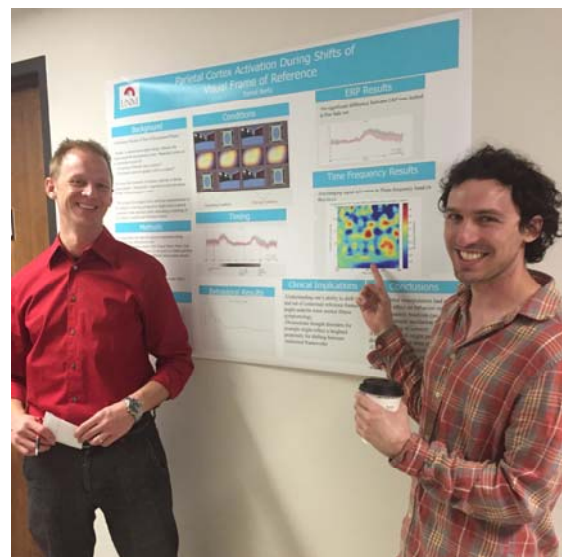
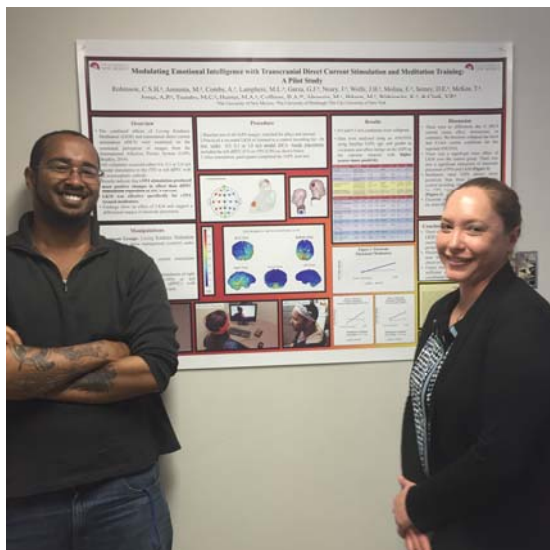
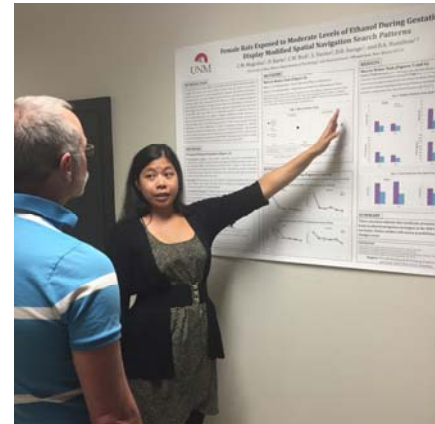
12:00-1:00 Work/Life Balance Panel (faculty & students)

1:00-2:00 Undergraduate Student Poster Session

2:00-3:00 **Dr. Theresa Moyers**, UNM Psych., Presentation:
"Chickens and Change Talk: How Training Chickens
Taught Me about Psychotherapy"

3:00-3:30 Graduate Student Awards

3:30-5:00 Diversity Organization (DO!) Workshop



MASTER'S DEGREES AWARDED

Academic Year - 2015-2016

<i>Student Name</i>	<i>Title of Thesis</i>	<i>Faculty Advisor</i>
<i>Robert Bailey</i>	<i>“Examining Committed Action in Chronic Pain: Further Validation and Clinical Utility of the Committed Action Questionnaire.”</i>	<i>Kevin Vowles</i>
<i>Christopher M. Garcia</i>	<i>“Frontal Parietal Network Function During a Visuomotor Task in Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: A Magnetoencephalography Study”</i>	<i>Claudia Tesche</i>
<i>Jacqueline Janowich</i>	<i>“A Time to Plan, A Time to Remember: EEG Double Dissociation of Cognitive Control Instantiation Due to Temporal Delay”</i>	<i>James Cavanagh</i>
<i>Natalia C. Moss</i>	<i>“Primary Language, Maternal Language Use, and Cognitive Outcomes Among Preschoolers Born Very Low Birth Weight”</i>	<i>Sarah Erickson</i>
<i>Rebecca Rieger</i>	<i>“Maternal Interactive Behaviors and Developmental Outcomes in Preschoolers Born Very Low Birth Weight”</i>	<i>Sarah Erickson</i>
<i>Kelsey Serier</i>	<i>“Measurement Invariance of the Eating Disorders Examination Questionnaire (EDE-Q) in a College Sample of Non-Hispanic and Hispanic Women”</i>	<i>Jane Ellen Smith</i>
<i>Jeremiah Simmons</i>	<i>“Minority Adolescent Health: A Factor Analytic Approach Towards Conceptualizing Health Behaviors and Resilience Constructs from the New Mexico Youth Risk Resiliency Survey”</i>	<i>Jane Ellen Smith</i>

***WELCOME INCOMING GRADUATE STUDENTS
for ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-2017***

Name	Undergrad School	Mentor	Area
Samuel Bouquin	Franklin-Marshall College	Nathan Pentkowski	CBB
Tran Dinh	University of California - Santa Barbara	Steve Gangestad	Evolutionary
Karlyn Edwards	University of Puget Sound	Kevin Vowles	Clinical
Michael Faulkes	University of Wisconsin -River Falls	Eric Ruthruff	CBB
David Forman	Fordham University	Terri Moyers	Clinical
Breannan Howell	New Mexico State University	Derek Hamilton	CBB
Nicole Kubinec	Hope College	Sarah Erickson	Clinical
Joshua Maxwell	Northern Michigan University	Eric Ruthruff	CBB
Carlos Olguin	University of New Mexico	Nathan Pentkowski	CBB
Juan Peña	San Diego State University	Steve Verney	Clinical
Lilliana Sanchez	University of New Mexico	Ben Clark	CBB
Marley Russell	McMaster University	Marco Del Giudice	Evolutionary
Jamie Smith	Missouri State University	Jane Ellen Smith	Clinical
Elena Stein	Amherst College	Katie Witkiewitz	Clinical
Moriah Stern	University of California - Santa Barbara	Kristina Ciesielski	Clinical
Devin Ulrich	Duke University	Kent Kiehl	Clinical

BAC Celebration

BAC Graduates and members of the BAC Advisory Board:
(right) Lindsey Sorensen & Jane Ellen Smith;
(below) Terri Moyers & Carly Brack

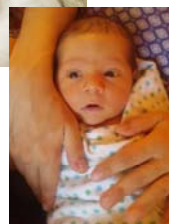


Every fall the Basics in Addiction Counseling (BAC) Program hosts a Celebration and Networking Event for fall graduates, newly admitted BAC students and BAC alumni. Activities include presentation of certificates of completion to graduates, introductions of new, current and past students, and LOTS of food and conversation. The purpose is to celebrate upcoming graduates (who don't get to participate in the spring Psych. Dept. graduation) and to allow all BAC participants to network. Always a popular event!!

(Below) Logan, son of
Nate Pentkowski &
Laura Ackermann



(Right)
Oliver, son of
Devin &
Kyle Ulrich



(center left) Samantha, granddaughter of
Claudia Tesche; (center right) Vigil family;
(right) Joseph Santiago (Santi), son of Sarah
Stith & Jacob Vigil



(above-left): Ashkon David, son of Stephanie &
Davood Tofighi; (above-right) Sam Meyer & his
son Bryan

(Above) Sophya, granddaugh-
ter of Rae Ramirez;
(Left) Shia Palacio, daughter of
Natalia Moss

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Improving Memory Performance by Augmenting Consolidation with Transcranial Stimulation (IMPACTS)

Vince Clark



Celebrate Recovery: An Analysis of the Scientific Literature

Barbara McCrady



A Multidimensional Approach for Cognitive Control Deficits in Psychopathology

Ron Yeo



The AGORA Crisis Line

Molly Brack



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The Contribution of Declines in Functional Connectivity to Cognitive Aging
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Ben Clark



Adapting Alcohol Behavioral Couple Therapy for Service Members in Post-Deployment
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Barbara McCrady

Testing a Couple-based Program for Alcohol Risk Reduction in the National Guard
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Developing a Brief Family-Involved Treatment for Alcohol Use Disorders

Barbara McCrady

Roadmap to Study Mechanisms of Behavior Change in Addictions

Katie Witkiewitz

Neural Mechanisms of Behavior Change in a Community Sample of Drinkers

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Integrative Data Analysis to Predict Alcohol Clinical Course and Inform Clinical Practice

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Rhythm and Timing Exercises for Cerebral Vascular Disease in American Indians Steve Verney

A Pilot Study of Integrated Treatment for Veterans with Chronic Pain and Opiate Misuse Kevin Vowles



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