

August Psychology Newsletter

From the Chair:

Welcome to all of our new faculty and graduate students and welcome back to our returning faculty, staff and students! We have an exciting year ahead of us. We welcome five new faculty members to the department: Drs. Harman, Dyk, Monnier, Davalos, and Kraiger. Dr. Kurt Kraiger will be here within the next few months and will join the IO faculty. We have also received permission to hire three more faculty members for the 2006-2007 academic year, one of these positions is a new position given to us by the Provost. We have four new endowed fellowships with various levels of financial support: the Oetting Fellowship, the Vattano Undergraduate Scholarship, the Viney Undergraduate Fellowships, and a Fellowship for IO graduate students, and we are renovating space in the A wing to accommodate new EEG, Vision and Driving Simulator research. As you can see from the newsletter the department is on the move and the 2005-2006 academic year holds much promise and activity. Below please find short bios for our five new faculty members:

Deana Davalos received her Ph.D. from Colorado State University in May 2000. She completed her predoctoral internship at Yale University School of Medicine and a two-year postdoctoral fellowship through the Developmental Psychobiology Research Group at University of Colorado Health Sciences Center. She joins us from the Center for Neuroscience and Schizophrenia Research in the Department of Psychiatry at UCHSC where she has been an assistant professor for the past two years. Deana's research involves studies investigating the ability to process time over the lifespan, aspects of cognitive aging, developmental neurophysiology, and cognitive processes in clinical populations.

Bryan Dik received his Ph.D. from the counseling program in the Department of Psychology at the University of Minnesota. Bryan will teach the Theories of Vocational Development course this fall. His research interests are in vocational interest measurement,

person-environment fit theories of work adjustment, and basic and applied research related to viewing work as a calling. Bryan, his wife Amy, son Eli (19 mo.), and baby-on-the-way live in Wellington.

Jennifer Harman recently finished her Ph.D. at the University of Connecticut in Social Psychology with an emphasis in Health Psychology and Quantitative Methods. She also has had graduate training in psychological counseling from Teacher's College, Columbia University, and worked for several years as a counseling supervisor at a substance abuse treatment center in New York City.

Her current research interests include interpersonal processes in intimate relationships, risk behaviors that put people at risk for health problems and infectious diseases (HIV infection in particular) and psychosocial factors involved with medication adherence. She is currently investigating HIV risk factors that put men who have been recently released from prison and their intimate partners at risk for infection.

Kurt Kraiger will be joining the Department of Psychology, moving from the University of Tulsa where he was the McFarlin Professor of Psychology. He received his Ph.D. in I/O Psychology from The Ohio State University in 1983. He is a Fellow in the Society for Industrial-Organizational Psychology. Dr. Kraiger has published and presented over 100 papers, most on issues of training research and performance measurement. He has edited or co-edited two books on training, including Creating, implementing, and managing effective training and development systems in organizations. Dr. Kraiger serves on the editorial boards of the Journal of Applied Psychology and Academy of Management Learning and Education, and also serves on the Committee for Human Factors for the National Academy of Science.

Patrick Monnier received his B.A. in Psychology from the University of California at Santa Barbara in 1994. He received his Ph.D. from Wright State University in Dayton Ohio in 1999. After obtaining his degree, he moved to Chicago where he spent three and a half years as a research associate at the University of Chicago. He then took a position at Florida Atlantic University where he remained for 2 years. He joined Colorado State University in the fall of 2005 where he plans to pursue his research on color vision and visual attention.

Announcements:

The American Psychological Society (APS) monthly magazine, the Observer, featured our department in its July, 2005 issue pages 29-30.

Eye on Psi Chi, the quarterly journal of the national Psi Chi Society, featured our chapter of Psi Chi in its Summer 2005 edition, pages 108-109.

Faculty News:

Dr. Keith James has resigned and taken a position with the Psychology department at Portland State University.

Dr. Eric Heggstad has resigned and taken a position with the Psychology department at the University of North Carolina, Charlotte.

Dr. Frank Vattano has begun his transitional retirement appointment this fall semester.

Drs. Bill Boyer, Gene Oetting, Bill Richards and Jack Hautaluoma have all retired.

Drs. Carol Seger and Lorann Stallones are on sabbatical leave for the 2005-2006 academic year. Dr. Seger is conducting neuroimaging research at Stanford and UC-Berkeley. While Dr. Stallones is traveling in Central America and Asia conducting research on the relationship between suicide and pesticides in developing countries.

Dr. Casey Mulqueen will teach PY 600K, Psychometric Theory, Fall 2005. Dr. Mulqueen holds a Ph.D. in Industrial Psychology from Illinois Institute of Technology, where he specialized in statistics and measurement theory. He is currently research director at TRACOM, a test publishing and consulting firm in Denver.

Dr. Paul Bell received a three-year renewal of his Administration on Aging grant entitled: "Empowering Underserved Colorado Alzheimer's Families through Training, Support, and Respite," 2005-2008 (\$290,000 Year I).

Dr. Ben Clegg received a five-year \$100,000 per year grant entitled: "Training Knowledge and Skills for the Networked Battlefield". It is a Multidisciplinary University Research Initiative Grant (MURI) awarded through the Army Research Office. Information on the grant can be found at <http://www.colorado.edu/news/releases/2005/192.html>

Dr. George Thornton will be making his fourth trip to Indonesia in August where he has lectured at conferences, advised private and public organizations on assessment center methods, and guided a committee in the formulation of a Code of Conduct on Assessment of Human Resource Personnel. The Code of Conduct is one example of attempts by various groups in Indonesia to introduce transparency into government, business operations, and human resource management in a country long-plagued by corruption and nepotism.

Psi Chi:

Psi Chi was involved with Ram Welcome on August 18th and 19th. Ram Welcome brings all new freshmen to the campus. This year Psychology has approximately 135 new freshmen majors.

Look for information on the Psi Chi lunch picnic in September.

Graduate Student News:

Julie Kellaway and Brandi Chew ran in the Boulder Boulder in May

June's issue of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society Newsletter featured member was our own Gwen Schmidt.

Cathy Lawsin, a Counseling graduate student, completed her degree in July and began a postdoctoral position at Mount Sinai Hospital in the Oncology Services Unit.

Sarah Traggesar completed her degree and begins a postdoctoral position at the University of Missouri.

Gali Goldwaser, a Counseling graduate student, was appointed by the Larimer County Commissioners to be on the new Latino Issues Task Force board for the county. It is a 15-member board created to assist in identifying needs for the Hispanic community in Larimer County.

Eddie Bitzer and Andrew Hoffman received a "Best Oral Presentation" for their presentation entitled "Psychological Issues in the Study of Physical Security." The paper was based on a paper that has been submitted to the Journal of Physical Security.

Eddie Bitzer is also a Senior Researcher on grant team that has been funded for two years to develop a computational model to describe the activities of terrorist cells. Los Alamos National Laboratory funded the grant in cooperation with New Mexico State University.

Krystle Balhan, a first year student in Counseling, presented her Honors Research project on the concepts of addiction in university students and treatment center clients at the annual John Wesley Powell Undergraduate Research Conference in April of 2005.

Keeping up with Graduates:

Anthony Torres, a 2005 Bachelors, was selected to receive a McNair fellowship for AY 05-06.

Patricia L. Kaminski, PhD, will be reviewed for promotion and tenure this year at the University of North Texas in Denton. Trish graduated from the Counseling program in 1993.

Doug Woody, who earned his Ph.D. in 1999, will receive the Early Career Award in the History of Psychology from Division 26 at the annual APA Convention in Washington D. C. Doug teaches History of Psychology at the University of Northern Colorado, has already received several teaching awards, and has published numerous historical articles. This national award follows an early career regional award that Doug received from The Rocky Mountain Psychological Association.

Kim Kiker, a 2005 graduate in Counseling Psychology, has taken a position with a private group practice in North Carolina that provides testing and therapy services to children, adolescents, and their families.

Chad Morris, a 1995 Ph.D. from our Counseling program, is the new president of Colorado Psychology Association (CPA),

Barry Anton, a 1973 Ph.D., is completing his term on the APA Board of Directors.

Awards/Honors:

Two members of the Department were on the platform at the APA Opening Ceremonies of the APA Convention this August, to receive presidential awards. Dr. Evelinn Borrayo received an APA Presidential citation as an Early Career Psychologist, and Dr. Dick Suinn received an APA Presidential citation for his work as chairperson of the APA Presidential Task Force on Enhancing Diversity in APA.

Dr. Lorann Stallones and Cheryl Beseler (former PhD student in Environmental Health) received a NIFS (National Institute for Farm

Safety) Research Award for the paper: Farm practices and farm injuries in Colorado. Injury Prevention 2003; 9:241-244.

"This study represents an important advance in agricultural injury epidemiology and in our ability to specify those work hazards that, in terms of hours of exposure, are most likely to cause injury." The purpose of the awards is to recognize and publicize innovative work in agricultural health and safety that results in improved injury and illness prevention in agricultural work places.

Dr. Silvia Canetto was an invited participant at the University of Rochester Center for the Study and Prevention of Suicide R-13 Research Meeting on "Providing a conceptual framework in suicide prevention: Moving from risk factors to programs." This NIMH-sponsored, invitation-only meeting was held in Washington, DC in June.

Dr. Silvia Canetto was a Visiting Scientist at the Center for the Study and Prevention of Suicide, University of Rochester Medical Center, Rochester, NY during the month of August.

Dr. Silvia Canetto was also honored as a new Fellow of the Society for Counseling Psychology at the August American Psychological Association meetings in Washington D.C. Her Fellow address reviewed her research on gender and culture in suicidal behaviors.

Dr. Deana Davalos was awarded a "Women in Cognitive Science" Travel Award (\$2000) to train with Dr. William Fifer at Columbia University on high-density electrophysiological recording in infants.

Dr. Kurt Kraiger's presentation to the American Society of Training and Development was featured this month in their monthly journal, Training and Development.

Presentations:

Lorann Stallones presented a symposium entitled "Pesticides, depression, and self harm" at the National University, Central American Institute for Studies on Toxic Substances, Heredia, Costa Rica (May, 2005)

Silvia Canetto was the keynote speaker at the Maine Youth Suicide Prevention Conference, Portland, Maine. Her keynote address was entitled "Cultural issues in the gender paradox of adolescent suicidal behavior."

Aloise-Young, P.A. & Swaim, R.C. (2005) Peer social networks and cigarette smoking in middle childhood. Poster presented at the meeting of the Society for Prevention Research, Washington, DC.

Johnston, R. J., Warner, J. S., Garcia, A. R. E., Martinez, R. K., Lopez, L. N., Pacheco, A. N., Trujillo, S. J., Herrera, A. M. & Bitzer, E. G. Nuclear Safeguards and Security: We can do better. The 10th International Conference on Environmental Remediation and Radioactive Waste Management. September 4-8, 2005, Scottish Exhibition & Conference Center, Glasgow, Scotland

George Thornton will deliver the keynote address to the Inaugural Indonesian Assessment Center Congress in Bandung, Indonesia on August 25, 2005. The title of his presentation is "Demonstrating Accountability in Assessment Center Operations."

Shevell, S.K. and Monnier, P. (2005). Color shifts induced by S-cone patterns: Spatial structure at the S-cone or postreceptoral level? International Colour Vision Society.

Kraiger, K (2005) "The relationship between perceived and objective control" Academy of Management, Honolulu

Vacha-Haase, T., Martin, K. L., & Chen, P. (2005, August). Survey of resident aggression toward certified nursing assistants in long-term care. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC.

Vacha-Haase, T. (2005, August). Psychological practice with older adults: Opportunities and skills. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC.

Dik, B. J., & Hansen, J. C. (2005, August). Increasingly precise congruence measurement: The modified C index at work. Poster session presented at the meetings of the American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

Vacha-Haase T, Chen P.Y. and Martin K. L. (2005, August) "A Survey of Resident Aggression toward Certified Nursing Assistants" poster presented at the meetings of the American Psychological Association, Washington D.C.

Pitts, M. A., Troup, L. J., Volbrecht, V. J., Nerger, J, L. & Dakin, M. A. (2005). Color Appearance in the Peripheral Retina as a Function of Stimulus Size and Intensity Under Rod-Bleach Conditions. Vision Sciences Society, Sarasota, Florida. May 2005.

Publications

Davalos, D.B., Kisley, M.A., & Freedman, R. (in press). Mismatch negativity and behavioral discrimination of auditory temporal stimuli in schizophrenia. Journal of Neuropsychiatry and Clinical Neurosciences.

Zook, N. A. & Davalos, D. B. (in press) Dissociations in fluid intelligence and general intelligence in late adulthood. Behavioral and Brain Sciences.

Clegg, B. A. (2005). Stimulus-specific sequence representation in serial reaction time tasks. *Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology*, 58A(6), 1087-1101.

Hopp, P. J., Smith, C. A. P., Clegg, B. A., & Heggstad, E. D. (2005). Interruption management: The use of attention-directing tactile cues. *Human Factors*, 47(1), 1-11.

Shevell, S.K. and Monnier, P. (2005). Color shifts from S-cone patterned backgrounds: Contrast sensitivity and spatial frequency selectivity. *Vision Research*, 45, 1147-1154.

Santos, S J. California State University, Dominguez Hills; Ortiz A M., California State University, Long Beach; Morales A, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; and Rosales M, Colorado State University. The Relationship between Campus Diversity, Students' Ethnic Identity and College Adjustment: A Qualitative Study. Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology

Bell, P. A. (2005). Reanalysis and perspective in the heat-aggression debate. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, 89, 71-73.

Smith, S. A., & Bell, P. A. (2005). Examining the effectiveness of the Savvy Caregiver Program among rural Colorado residents. *Rural and Remote Health*.

Carpenter, S. K., & DeLosh, E. L. (2005). Application of the testing and spacing effects to name learning. Applied Cognitive Psychology, 19, 619-636.

Reeve C. L., Heggstad E. D., and George E (accepted for publication) "Estimation of transient error in cognitive ability scales," The International Journal of Selection and Assessment.

Vattano F, (invited) invited chapter in an edited book, Teaching in Autobiography, APA publication