



**ADVISING APPOINTMENTS**

The advising staff invites you to schedule an academic advising appointment by calling **970.491.3799** (between 7:45 a.m. – 4:45 p.m.). Times fill quickly, so call today.

**Advising Staff**

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**Important Dates**

May 9 – Classes end

May 9 – Last day to complete a University Withdrawal from all courses

May 12-16 – Final exams week

Aug. 25 – Fall Classes Begin

**Good Luck Students!**

As we head into the last two weeks of the semester, we encourage you to hang in there and stay focused. The end of the semester is just around the corner and we want to wish you all the best as you head into finals. For information on CSU's final examination policies or to view the Spring 2008 final exam schedule go to <http://www.colostate.edu/Depts/Registrar/finalexams.htm>. Good luck!

**College of Natural Sciences Commencement Information**

- If you have questions, please contact The College of Natural Sciences, Office of the Dean, 117 Statistics, 491-1300.

Time & Date: Saturday, May 17, 2008, 8:00 a.m.

Place: Moby Arena, CSU Campus

Check-in: for all graduates is in the Intramural Gym of Moby Arena and begins at 7:00 a.m.

Line-up: promptly at 7:30 a.m.

**ATTENTION SENIORS graduating in MAY or SUMMER...**

Before you graduate, please complete the graduation survey found at <http://studentvoice.com/csu/CNSgraduationsurvey0708>. This will take you about 3-5 minutes and the information is very valuable to us. Thank you. If Career Services can be of assistance, please let Judy Brobst know (Judy.Brobst@ColoState.EDU or 970.491.1190).

May 2008  
Undergraduate Newsletter

To learn more about what faculty, staff, students and alumni from the Department of Psychology are up to, be sure to check out the **department newsletter** at: <http://www.colostate.edu/Depts/Psychology/newsletter.shtml>.

**THANK YOU DR. VOLBRECHT!!!**



Many of you have had the opportunity to have Dr. Vicki Volbrecht advise you since Fall 2005 when she started her role as Associate Department Chair. Dr. Volbrecht will be going on sabbatical during the 2008-2009 academic year and will be leaving her advising responsibilities. She will sit in on biochemistry and cellular neurobiology classes and work on research in the fall semester. In the spring, she will be visiting both the Medical College of Wisconsin and UC-Davis Medical School where cutting edge research is being conducted with some new imaging techniques. We wish Dr. Volbrecht well and look forward to her full-time return to the department in Fall 2009.

**FACULTY CONNECTIONS**

Recently we sat down with **Dr. David McCabe**, who teaches PSY 401 History and Systems of Psychology, our major's capstone class. We talked to him about what drew him to the field of Psychology, his research interests, life away from CSU, and any advice he might have for our current undergrads. Here is what he shared with us.



**What captured your interest in Psychology, and what did you do before you came to CSU?** I've always been fascinated by people's behavior and how people are different from one another. For example, why are some people happy when other people are depressed, or why do some people do things that don't seem to make sense, like staying in abusive relationships? At first I was drawn to helping others, but after working as a social worker for a few years I realized I was more excited by experimental psychology. I took time off between high school and college, and again between college and graduate school to figure all this out. I was even in a punk band for awhile.

**What is your research about? Do you have undergraduate research assistants?** My interests are in human memory and cognitive aging. Lately my research has focused on working memory, which is memory for information over short periods of time, like when you're remembering a phone number for a few seconds. I'm also interested in metamemory, or what people *know* about their own memory and how it functions.

And yes, I do work with undergraduate research assistants. Right now I work with eight students. When I'm looking for RAs I look for students with a high GPA (usually 3.5 or better), who are responsible, excited about research, punctual, and have good interpersonal skills. The RAs who work for me work in my lab running participants through experiments, inputting data, and that sort of thing. We have weekly lab meetings where we read research papers and talk about the experiments going on in the lab (and eat).

**What are you passionate about in your personal life?** My kids! I have two daughters and I love to hang out with them and my wife. I like to play pick-up basketball games at the gym, and I enjoy watching movies. My favorite movie is probably *Old School*. I'm a big Will Farrell fan.

**What is one thing you wish you'd known when you were an undergraduate?** I wish I'd known about the benefits of RA opportunities. Being a research assistant can really personalize the college experience at a large university and help to prepare you not only for graduate school but also for any job. The skills you develop as an RA are transferrable to any job and it doesn't hurt to have a recommendation letter from one of your faculty members.

**Do you have any advice for our undergraduates?** Enjoy your college experience and try to take advantage of the opportunities you have available here. Have fun and learn as many new things as you can!

**Thanks Dr. McCabe!**

## SUMMER 2008 COURSES

Summer is a great time to get ahead in your lecture/lab pairs. Cognitive (PSY 452/453), Physiological (PSY 454/455) and Sensation and Perception (PSY 456/457) are all being offered this summer. Check out the schedule on RAMweb!

**PSY 228 – Psychology of Human Sexuality** (3 Credit Hours)  
**Description:** Physiology, psychology of human sexuality; cross cultural issues, development, social perspectives, values, sexual dysfunction.  
**Meets:** Monday thru Friday 1:30 pm-3:40 pm from May 19- June 15  
**Prerequisites:** None.

**PSY 305 – Psychology of Religion** (3 Credit Hours)  
**Description:** Introduction to the Psychology of Religion. A survey of the research on antecedents, development, correlates and consequences of religion from a psychological perspective.  
**Meets:** Monday thru Friday 10:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m. from May 19 – June 15  
**Prerequisites:** PSY 100.

**PSY 310 – Basic Counseling Skills** (3 Credit Hours)  
★ **WEEKEND COURSE** ★  
**Description:** Psychologically-based interpersonal communication skills; rapport thinking, gathering information and bringing about change in others.  
**Meets:** 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. May 24, 25, 26, and June 7, 8  
**Prerequisites:** PSY 100.

**PSY 327 – Psychological Perspectives on the Female Experience** (3 Credit Hours) ★ **WEEKEND COURSE** ★  
**Description:** Introduces issues, dilemmas, and debates in the psychology of women. Focuses on the female experience and the implications of this experience for female psychology. Both national and international issues and perspectives are considered. Students are encouraged to think critically about theories and research.  
**Meets:** 6 p.m.-10 p.m. May 16 & May 30; 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. May 17, 18, 31 & June 1  
**Prerequisites:** PSY 100. Must register for lecture and recitation.

**PSY 360 – Addiction Treatment** (3 Credit Hours)  
**Description:** Study of the psychological foundations of substance abuse and substance abuse treatment. Covers the psychological, neurobiological, and psychosocial determinants of addictive behavior and the various treatment approaches that have been successfully applied to substance abuse behavior.  
**Meets:** Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m.- 11:30 a.m. from June 16 – July 13  
**Prerequisites:** PSY 100; PSY 320.

**PSY 496 – Seminar-Basic Counseling Skills Laboratory** (2 Credit Hours)  
**Description:** Learn to apply micro-counseling skills to substance abuse counseling. Includes motivational interviewing and cognitive-behavioral counseling. Meets one of the requirements for obtaining Certified Addiction Counselor I (CACI) certification in Colorado. Eight students maximum per lab section.  
**Meets:** Section 001 - Tuesdays & Thursdays 12:00 pm-3:15 pm from June 16 - July 13; Section 002 - Tuesdays & Thursdays 1:00 pm-4:15 pm from July 14 - August 10  
**Prerequisites:** Concurrent or prior registration in PSY310. This is an optional 2-credit lab to accompany PSY 310. Starting Fall 2008 it will be offered as PSY 311A & B.

**PSY 296 & PSY 496**  
★ **WEEKEND SEMINAR COURSES IN PSYCHOLOGY** ★

**Conflict Resolution** Section 002  
Interpersonal conflict takes many forms, e.g., marital, parent/child, supervisor/worker, etc., all of which share common properties and operate under universal principles. This course will examine and demonstrate the strategies that can be employed to resolve them.  
**Meets:** 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. June 14, 15, and June 28, 29

**Psychology of Sport & Exercise Seminar** Section 003  
Psychological theories and principles applied to performance/participation in sport/exercise will be examined as well as correlates between physical and psychological health and sport/exercise involvement. Students will be exposed to specialty areas within sport psychology and explore gender, age, and culture related to sports/exercise.  
**Meets:** 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. July 26, 27, and August 9, 10

**Intro to Clinical/Counseling Psychology** Section 004  
This course will provide an introduction to clinical and counseling procedures utilized in therapy. Varying theoretical approaches will be covered and treatment approaches to specific clinical disorders will be discussed.  
**Meets:** 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. May 17, 18, and May 31 & June 1

**Movies and Mental Health** Section 005  
This course will consider elements of abnormal psychology through the perspective of film. Individual film clips from commercial movies will be used to address mental health issues.  
**Meets:** 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. July 12, 13, and 26, 27

**Forensic Psychology** Section 007  
Examine the psychological perspectives on a range of behaviors such as rape, stalking, serial murder, multiple personality disorder, psychopathy, and terrorism. Information on competency to stand trial, jury selection, and an overview of the general principles of profiling will also be covered.  
**Meets:** 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. July 19, 20, and August 2, 3

★ **NEW** ★ **PSY 362 – Professional Issues in Addiction Treatment** (3 Credit Hours)  
**Description:** Diversity, ethno-cultural and ethical issues in drug addiction treatment  
**Meets:** Monday thru Thursday 1:15 pm - 3:45 pm from June 16 – July 13  
**Prerequisites:** PSY 360.

**JTC 350 – Public Relations** (3 Credit Hours)  
**Description:** Interested in learning more about public relations? The summer session of JTC 350 is open to both majors and nonmajors. In JTC 350, you will learn about the principles and practice of public relations.  
**Offered:** During the second four-week summer session, June 16-July 13, 2008  
**Meets:** MTWRF from 12 to 2 p.m. in A206 Clark  
**Additional Note:** Online registration may be restricted to junior and senior JTC majors. If you are a non-major and would like to request an override, please e-mail cindy.christen@colostate.edu. Please include your name, major and year in school in your message.

**Summer Course(s) – Drops and Withdrawals: Policy at a Glance** - The following information reflects the new drop/withdrawal policies at CSU for summer courses. Please direct questions to the Registrar's Office at 970-491-4860.

**4-week terms:**

Days 1-3 = no financial penalty; no "W" on transcript  
Day 4 to end of term = 100% tuition assessment  
Day 4 = "W" recorded on transcript

**8-week term:**

Days 1-6 = no financial penalty; no "W" on transcript  
Day 7 to end of term = 100% tuition assessment  
Day 7 = "W" recorded on transcript

**12-week term:**

Days 1-9 = no financial penalty; no "W" on transcript  
Day 10 to end of term = 100% tuition assessment  
Day 10 = "W" recorded on transcript

<http://www.summer.colostate.edu/regindex.cfm?dispq=withdraw>.

### NEW PSYCHOLOGY COURSES FOR FALL 2008

**PSY 311A – Basic Counseling Skills Laboratory – CACI**  
(2 Credit Hours)

**Description:** Learn to apply micro-counseling skills to **substance abuse counseling**. Includes motivational interviewing and cognitive-behavioral counseling. Meets one of the requirements for obtaining Certified Addiction Counselor I (CACI) certification in Colorado. Eight students maximum per lab section.

**Meets:** Tuesdays & Thursdays 12:10pm-1:50pm from 08/25-12/14

**Prerequisites:** Concurrent or prior registration in PSY310. This is an optional 2-credit lab to accompany PSY 310.

**PSY 311B – Basic Counseling Skills Laboratory – Non-CACI** (2 Credit Hours)

**Description:** Learn to apply micro-counseling skills to a variety of counseling settings. Includes more in-depth skill development for working with various populations. **Designed for those students interested in working in non-substance abuse counseling settings**. Sixteen students maximum per lab section.

**Meets:** Section L01 - Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:00am-10:40am from 08/25-12/14; Section L02 - Mondays & Wednesdays 9:00am-10:40am from 08/25-12/14

**Prerequisites:** Concurrent or prior registration in PSY310. This is an optional 2-credit lab to accompany PSY 310.

### NEWS FROM THE SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS TUTORIAL HALL

**The Science and Mathematics Tutorial Hall** located in the basement of Ingersoll Hall offers **FREE TUTORING** for a wide range of science and math courses to all CSU students. Hours of operation are Sundays through Thursdays, 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. **The tutorial hall will be closed during finals week**. Specific course tutoring times for the Spring 2008 semester are posted on-line. For more information visit: <http://www.natsci.colostate.edu/tutoring/index.cfm>.

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE FOR UNDERGRADUATES (REU) PROGRAM

Here's a great 1 year study opportunity for students **interested in PSYCHOLOGY and LAW**. Must have a 3.0 GPA or above and be sophomore standing by the end of Spring 2008. A \$3200 stipend + room/board are provided and more. Check it out! (A recent participant was from UNC.)

The University of Nebraska/Lincoln's Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) program brings 8 to 10 undergraduate students to UNL to study law and psychology in their program for a full year. Undergraduate students are provided with room and board for 1 year, along with a stipend for working in law and psychology research laboratories. They spend time working with joint law and psychology doctoral (JD/Ph.D. and MLS/Ph.D.) students. Faculty will mentor these undergraduate students, helping them gain valuable experience to assist in preparing them for graduate school in psychology. Program description and application materials are available on the following website: <http://www.unl.edu/psychlawreu/>

Selection of REU students will begin in mid May but applications will be accepted until all slots are filled. Students who apply early will have an advantage in this competitive selection process.

### FIELD PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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1) The minimum age requirement is 20 with a preference for 21 years or older. 2) Interns must be able to make a commitment to do a minimum of 200 hours spread over a 15 week period. **Internships are not paid positions**. 3) Prospective interns must be able to pass both a drug screen and fingerprint background check. 4) Do not wait until the last minute as positions fill quickly. **For more information contact: Gwen Bell, 970-221-0550 x 102, [gbell@turningpnt.org](mailto:gbell@turningpnt.org).**
- 🌿 **Opportunities at Mountain Crest for Fall 2008:** If you're interested in a field placement opportunity at Mountain Crest, please contact D. Tobiassen Baitinger at [D.Tobiassen\\_Baitinger@ColoState.EDU](mailto:D.Tobiassen_Baitinger@ColoState.EDU) for more details. This is an ideal opportunity for students pursuing graduate education in clinical psychology.

## EMPLOYMENT/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- **Walk In Career Counseling with Judy Brobst**, Career Center Liaison, College of Natural Sciences  
Tuesdays – Lory Student Center 12:30 – 4:30 pm (Next to Sweet Sensations) **OR** Fridays – Clark B 228 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
**OR** to set up an appointment contact: Judy at [judy.brobst@colostate.edu](mailto:judy.brobst@colostate.edu) or 970-491-1190. **Please note: during finals week, Judy will not hold walk-in hours on Friday, May 16. In order to meet with Judy during the summer (May 19 – August 22), students will need to call and schedule an appointment with Judy.**  
Services offered: Internships & volunteer experiences, resume development, choosing/changing majors, graduate school, on-line assessments, job search skills, etc.
- **Apartment Life Central Programming Staff – Student Hourly Position** – Starts June 2, 2008 – Apply now!  
Flexible Schedule - Great Experience! Apartment Life Central Programs staff create educational, cultural, social and intergenerational programs. They enjoy working with multicultural populations and are able to create events that celebrate diversity. Interested students must be flexible, creative, and be able to work independently and in small and large groups. Organizational and strong interpersonal skills are very important.  
**Requirements:** Be enrolled as a student at CSU. Skilled or interested in program planning and in working with internationally and intergenerationally diverse clients. Available to work 10-20 hours a week, including occasional nights and weekends. Hours are flexible, but some hours are between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. This is a 12-month position starting June 2, 2008- May 31, 2009. Hourly payment will be determined at the time of employment and ranges between \$7.50 and \$10.00 per hour. **To apply** send a cover letter, resume, and contact information for two references to [Louie.Sanchez@Colostate.Edu](mailto:Louie.Sanchez@Colostate.Edu). For more information e-mail: Landy Douglas Elliot, Apartment Life Central Programs Coordinator at [Susan.Douglas@ColoState.EDU](mailto:Susan.Douglas@ColoState.EDU). Interviews will begin immediately and position will remain open until filled.
- **The Northern Colorado AIDS Project (NCAP)** is seeking to fill a new, full time position with the agency. The Health Educator position will provide health education and screening for people living with HIV/AIDS and those at high risk for HIV infection. Case management and HIV prevention responsibilities are also included. Travel is required for this position, as well as specific training that will begin in May 2008. Bachelor's degree required, preferably in Social Work (or 3-5 years social service/human services experience). Persons with bilingual skills appreciated. Full job description available, or send resume and cover letter to [info@ncaids.org](mailto:info@ncaids.org), care of the Executive Director. NCAP is an equal opportunity employer. **Position closes May 2, 2008.**

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Colorado State HACU Committee invites you to apply to attend the **Hispanic Association of Colleges and University (HACU)** Conference on October 11 – 13, 2008 in Denver, Colorado. The HACU conference annually attracts hundreds of distinguished academic, corporate, federal, public policy and community leaders, along with top corporate and federal employers. It is a forum for students and professionals to discuss issues, share information, and network. A special Student Track program is specifically designed for students. **Conference and scholarship open to all students.**

HACU Student Track of workshops - **apply early for a student scholarship** to attend the HACU Conference at the Denver Hyatt Regency and Colorado Convention Center. A limited number of scholarships are provided to eligible students by HACU's corporate and federal sponsors. **Scholarships will cover costs for** (1) conference registration; (2) travel and lodging for out-of-state students; (3) conference-related meals; and (4) conference-sponsored entertainment events. Conference Scholarship recipients are required to attend ALL Student Track activities. For additional information about the conference, visit the HACU web site at [www.hacu.net](http://www.hacu.net).

**ELIGIBILITY:** Minimum 3.0 GPA. Be currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate/professional degree program. Have not received a HACU Conference Scholarship for the 2007 Annual Conference. Must be physically attending home institution in the Fall 2008. And, must be willing to be sponsored by a corporate or federal sponsor

**HOW TO APPLY:** To be considered for a Conference Scholarship, students must complete the 22nd Annual Conference Scholarship on-line application and e-mail a one-page resume. Scholarship applications are awarded on a first-come-first serve basis but will be accepted through August 10, 2008. Applicants will be notified by e-mail of their selection or non-selection by September 3, 2008.

For additional information contact: Lupe Salazar, Director, El Centro Student Services, (970) 491-1476 or Dr. Patricia L. M. Vigil, Colorado State University HACU Committee Chair, ACCION Co Chair, (970) 491- 2350. [Patricia.Vigil@ColoState.EDU](mailto:Patricia.Vigil@ColoState.EDU).

## NEW MASTER'S DEGREE AT CSU

The College of Business has created a new master's program that allows non-business majors to earn a business master degree in one year after obtaining a bachelor's degree. The program, called the **Master of Management Practice (MMP)**, helps give students primary business skills to compete in the job market and accelerate a career path that might involve project management, teamwork, financial or functional management. **Classes begin this fall for the 30-credit program.**

Students can design their own emphasis in the program by adding selected non-business graduate courses to the core business curriculum. Students who have or are graduating with a Business minor or equivalent will have priority in the limited enrollment program. For more information please visit [www.csummp.com](http://www.csummp.com) or contact [Tonja.Rosales@business.colostate.edu](mailto:Tonja.Rosales@business.colostate.edu).

The College of Business at Colorado State consistently ranks among the top business schools in the country. In February, *Business Week* magazine ranked the college as one of the top undergraduate business programs. The Princeton Review, a New York-based education services company, consistently names the college's MBA program one of the best in the nation. The college has earned kudos for having one of the top 10 best administered programs three years in a row.