

# Undergraduate Honors Research Festival

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## Opening Remarks:

*Sheri J. Mizumori, Ph.D.  
Professor & Department Chair*

*Miriam Bassok, Ph.D.  
Associate Professor &  
Honors Program Faculty Advisor*

*Carrie Perrin  
Director, Psychology  
Undergraduate Advising*

### **Joy Chan**

Sponsor: Cheryl Kaiser, Ph.D., Assistant Professor

*Beauty is More Than Appearance: Racial Stereotypes and Interracial Attraction*

A member of the Annual Dean's List, Joy is also pursuing a minor in Japanese. She looks forward to getting involved in more volunteer work, including advocacy for women's issue, and plans to apply to a social or clinical psychology graduate program.

### **Spencer Coates**

Sponsor: John Miyamoto, Ph.D., Associate Professor

*Linguistic and Epistemic Framing of Conditional Probabilities: Do Different Frames Influence the Emphasis on Causal Relationships?*

Set to graduate magna cum laude with a second degree in math, as well as a minor in law, societies and justice, Spencer is also a member of the Annual Dean's List, Phi Beta Kappa, and the National Parliamentary Debate Association. He is one of two psychology majors nominated for the Dean's Medal in Arts and Sciences, and will begin law school this fall at the University of Pennsylvania, where he is a Dean's Fellow.

### **Annie Collins**

Sponsor: Ilene Bernstein, Ph.D., Professor

*The Effect of Adolescent Alcohol Exposure on Habit Formation*

A member of Phi Beta Kappa and the recipient of a Mary Gates Research Scholarship, Annie will graduate magna cum laude. Following graduation, she will work in a research position with UW professors Ilene Bernstein and Paul Phillips while making plans to apply to a graduate program in neuroscience.

### **Elliott Collins**

Sponsor: Lee Osterhout, Ph.D., Professor

*Neurobiological processing of language features: an Event-Related Potential study*

With plans to go into medicine or medical research after he graduates next year, Elliott is pursuing a second degree in romance linguistics. He is a frequent member of the Dean's List and a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

### **Ashley Danies**

Sponsor: Sara Webb, Ph.D., Research Assistant Professor

Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences

*ERP Response to Faces and Objects in Infants at High and Low-Risk for Autism Spectrum Disorder*

The recipient of an EIP Presidential Scholarship, Ashley was also an Amgen Scholar at Columbia University. She is an art degree, with an emphasis in photography, and plans to apply to graduate school in clinical psychology or behavioral neuroscience.

### **Mary Alice Davis**

Sponsor: Janxin Leu, Ph.D., Assistant Professor

*Culture and Emotional Judgment: East Asians' and European Americans' Attributions of Emotions*

Mary Alice will graduate next year with degrees in psychology and biology. She is a member of the Annual Dean's List and plans to apply to veterinary school to begin in the fall of 2011.

**Joseph DeWenter**

Sponsor: Steven Buck, Ph.D., Professor

*Rod Influence on Color Vision with a Complex Background*

A member of Psi Chi and Delta Delta Sigma honor societies, Joseph is completing a minor in chemistry. His future plans include attending dental school.

**Lorin Dole**

Sponsor: Peter Kahn, Ph.D., Associate Professor

*Socially Engaging Humanoid Robots: How Their Eye Behavior Affects Us*

The outgoing president of the UW Psi Chi chapter, Lorin is also a member of the Dean's List, Golden Key, the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, and the National Honors Society. He is the recipient of a Curtis Wienker Anthropology Writing Award and the Washington Award for Vocational Excellence. Also completing a minor in philosophy, this fall Lorin will begin a Ph.D. program in Communication Theory and Research at Stanford University.

**Samantha Johnson**

Sponsor: Annette Estes, Ph.D., Research Assistant Professor

Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences

*Parental Distress and the Quality of Parent-Child Interactions in Families with a Young Child with an Autism Spectrum Disorder*

Samantha will graduate magna cum laude and this fall will begin a Master of Counseling program at Arizona State University.

**Ines Jurcevic**

Sponsor: Cheryl Kaiser, Ph.D., Assistant Professor

*Do Diversity Policies Make it Difficult to Detect Injustice? The Effects of Diversity Policies on Perceptions of Discrimination*

The recipient of a Mary Gates Research Scholarship and an Undergraduate Research Conference Travel Award, this fall Ines will begin a Ph.D. program in social psychology at UCLA. The program has an emphasis in intergroup relations, stigma, and stereotyping.

**Kenny Karyadi**

Sponsor: Kevin King, Ph.D., Assistant Professor

*The Interaction between Negative Emotions and Urgency on Alcohol Engagement*

Set to graduate cum laude, Kenny has been a frequent member of the Dean's List. He looks forward to gaining more research experience before applying to graduate school.

**Joy Kawamura**

Sponsor: Lynn Fainsilber Katz, Ph.D., Research Associate Professor

*Parenting Stress and Child Adjustment in Acute Lymphocytic*

The 2009 recipient of the Edwin R. Guthrie Prize for best review/conceptual paper and a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Joy will graduate cum laude. She will remain here in the Psychology Department, transitioning into the child clinical Ph.D. program to continue working with Lynn Fainsilber Katz.

**Jianli Lin**

Sponsor: Susan Joslyn, Ph.D., Lecturer

*(poster title and additional information pending)***Sarah Liu**

Sponsor: Robert Kohlenberg, Ph.D., Professor

*Effects of Functional Analytic Psychotherapy Training on Therapist Qualities*

Sarah is a frequent member of the Dean's List and plans to work in Vancouver this coming year while considering options for graduate studies.

**Joshua Newson**

Sponsors: Sapna Cheryan, Ph.D., Assistant Professor

*Reducing Racial Prejudice In the Brain*

A two time recipient of a Mary Gates Research Scholarship and the recipient of an Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Research Award, Joshua is completing a second degree in neurobiology. In the coming year, he plans to study in Israel at a Jewish seminary with eventual plans to attend graduate school in psychology or social neuroscience. Joshua wishes to thank professors Anthony Greenwald and Scott Murray for their assistance with his research.

**Victor Duc-Thang Nguyen** Sponsor: John Palmer, Ph.D., Research Professor

*Selective Attention to Transparent Motion is by Blocking and not by Attenuation*

Victor will be graduating next year with additional majors in biochemistry and neurobiology, as well as a minor in bioethics and humanities.

**Hillary Robbins** Sponsor: Lynn Fainsilber Katz, Ph.D., Research Associate Professor

*Domestic Violence and Post-Traumatic Growth In Children: Can Vagal Tone Predict Positive Outcomes?*

A member of Psi Chi and the Dean's List, Hillary is the recipient of an Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Research Award. Also completing a minor in women studies, she plans to continue her work as part of Lynn Fainsilber Katz's research team.

**Laura Samples** Sponsor: Alan Marlatt, Ph.D., Professor

*Examining the Relationships between Drinking Motives and Related Factors in First-year College Students*

Laura is also completing a degree in biology and plans to participate in the IRTA post-baccalaureate program at the National Institutes of Health.

**Jennifer Truong** Sponsor: Janxin Leu, Ph.D., Assistant Professor

*Family Cultural Conflict: Negotiating Moral Reasoning between School and Home in Immigrant Asian Young Adults*

Jennifer plans to continue working in Janxin Leu's lab while applying for graduate programs in psychology or education. She is also completing minors in diversity and in public health and community medicine.

**Yuet Juhn Tse** Sponsor: Sapna Cheryan, Ph.D., Assistant Professor

*Women's Disinterest in Computer Science Based on Class Proportion of Stereotypical Students*

The recipient of a Mary Gates Research Scholarship, Yuet Juhn will graduate cum laude with a psychology degree and a minor in political science. Possibilities for the coming year include a post-baccalaureate fellowship or an internship or volunteer position in a clinic or research lab. Eventual plans include applying to graduate school.

**Sean Tully** Sponsor: Sean O'Donnell, Ph.D., Associate Professor

*Elevational and Longitudinal Species Diversity Patterns of Paper Wasps (Vespidae) in Costa Rica*

Sean was the recipient of a National Science Foundation REU grant to fund his research. Future plans involve applying for research fellowships as well as applying to the UW School of Public Health.

**Raine Warden** Sponsor: Lee Osterhout, Ph.D., Professor

*Processing Ambiguity: ERP Evidence for Homograph Processing*

A member of Phi Beta Kappa, Psi Chi and Tau Sigma honor societies, Raine's eventual plans include graduate school. She will graduate cum laude with degrees in psychology, Japanese, and linguistics.