

Undergraduate Honors Research Festival

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Opening Remarks:

*Kevin King, Ph.D.
Associate Professor and
Associate Chair*

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

*Carrie Perrin
Director, Psychology
Undergraduate Advising*

Alexis Chamberlin

Sponsor: Yuichi Shoda, Ph.D., Professor

Gender as a Spectrum: Categorization and Gender Identity

Alexis is a frequent member of the Dean's List and will graduate Magna Cum Laude with a BS in psychology. Her post-graduation plan is to join the Peace Corps.

Shannon Chen

Sponsor: Sara Jane Webb, Ph.D., Associate Professor
Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences

Measuring Parent-Child Interaction in Parent Teaching in Toddlers with ASD

A member of the Dean's List, Shannon will graduate with a BS in psychology and a minor in music. Next year, she will work as an ABA therapist for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Shannon plans to attend graduate school to study educational psychology or applied behavior analysis, with hopes to become a board-certified behavior analyst.

Sarah Colombo

Sponsor: Kristina Olson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor

The Effects of Gender Identity Denial in Children

A two time Mary Gates Research Scholar, Sarah will graduate Magna Cum Laude with a BS in psychology. She is also the recipient of an award from the Greek community that recognizes leadership, service, and scholarship excellence. In the coming year, Sarah will teach math to middle school or high school students through the Teach for America Program.

Lucy Dong

Sponsor: Shannon Dorsey, Ph.D., Associate Professor

The Effect of Trauma-Focused CBT on Child-Guardian Relationship Among Trauma-Exposed Orphans in Tanzania

Lucy recently received a Psychology Honors Travel Award and will graduate with a double degree in psychology and public health. After graduation, she will begin a research assistant position at the Evidence-Based Practice Institute in Seattle where she will work on projects that aim to harness innovative technologies to improve dissemination of evidence-based behavioral therapies in real-world settings.

Karalyn Holten

Sponsor: Kristina Olson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor

Being Naughty By Being Nice: Will Children Help Someone With a Negative Goal?

A two time recipient of Mary Gates Research Scholarships and a frequent member of the Dean's List, Karalyn will graduate Magna Cum Laude with a BS in psychology.

Alex Kale

Sponsor: Steven Buck, Ph.D., Professor

Visual Normalization to Natural Scenes

Alex is the Psychology Department nominee for the College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Medal in the Natural Sciences Division. He is also a member of Phi Beta Kappa and was the winner of the 2014 Guthrie Prize for best literature review paper. Alex is a long-time member of the UW Studio Jazz Ensemble where he plays trumpet. He will graduate Magna Cum Laude with a BS in psychology and minors in philosophy and music.

Veronica KangSponsors: Sara Jane Webb, Ph.D., Associate Professor
Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences*A Study of Siblings of Individuals with Autism: Heritability and Gender Difference in Pragmatic Language Ability*

A 2014 Autism Science Foundation Undergraduate Summer Research Fellow and the recipient of a 2014 University of Washington Travel Award and a 2015 Psychology Honors Travel Award, Veronica will graduate with a BS in psychology. In the coming year, she plans to work or volunteer with the UW Early Autism Detection and Intervention (READi) lab.

Kevan KidderSponsors: Sheri Mizumori, Ph.D., Professor and Chair
and Phillip Baker, Ph.D., Post-doctoral Researcher*Inactivation of Lateral Habenula Impairs Probabilistic Reversal Learning in Rats*

Kevan is working toward a double degree in psychology and biology and plans to continue his studies in the coming year. He has begun work on a follow up study to his honors project. Following graduation in 2016, Kevan plans to enter a neuroscience or psychology Ph.D. program to continue his research.

Chu-Hsuan Kuo

Sponsor: Lee Osterhout, Ph.D., Professor

ERP Responses to Compound Violations in Native Chinese Speakers

Following graduation Cum Laude with a BS in psychology, Chu-Hsuan will begin graduate school in Taiwan. She will enter a Master's program in experimental and cognitive psychology at the National Taiwan University in Taipei.

Abigail Lim

Sponsor: Yuichi Shoda, Ph.D., Professor

The Cuckoo in the Nest: The Role of Threat in Implicit Categorization

A Mary Gates Research Scholar and frequent member of the Dean's List, Abigail will graduate with a double major in psychology and anthropology.

Zoe Miles

Sponsor: Katie McLaughlin, Ph.D., Assistant Professor

Developmental Trajectories of Working and Long-term Memory

Zoe will graduate Cum Laude with a BS in psychology. Following graduation, she plans to take some time to gain additional research experience before applying to graduate school.

Makenzie Muilenburg

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

Parental Meta-Emotion Philosophy and Child Adjustment: The Mediating Role of Positive and Negative Parenting

A Mary Gates Research Scholar, Makenzie is pursuing a BS in psychology along with a minor in education, learning and society. With plans to graduate in 2016, she will spend part of the coming academic year studying in the Czech Republic.

Tara O'Connor

Sponsor: Jonathan Kanter, Ph.D., Research Associate Professor

Interpersonal Connections Study

Tara will graduate Cum Laude with a BA in psychology and a dance minor. She is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and also received an award for high scholarship from the Delta Gamma fraternity. Tara has been accepted into three graduate program in marriage and family therapy for the coming year and is currently weighing her options.

Jeffrey Ou

Sponsor: Susan Joslyn, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Effect of Risk Information Format and Flood Recency on Estimated Likelihood of Flood Occurrence

Set to graduate Magna Cum Laude with a double degree in psychology and English, Jeffrey is a published writer and has been a tutor at the Odegaard Writing and Research Center. Following graduation, he plans to take a gap year to pursue his interests in publishing, editing, and writing.

McKinzee Pacht

Sponsor: Katie McLaughlin, Ph.D., Assistant Professor

Reward Sensitivity across Internalizing Symptoms and Risky Behavior in Childhood and Adolescence

McKinzee is a frequent member of the Dean's List and will graduate with a BS in psychology and a minor in Spanish. She plans to spend the coming year traveling.

Elyse PostlewaiteSponsors: Deborah McCutchen, Ph.D., Interim Dean and Professor
Educational Psychology
and Miriam Bassok, Ph.D., Professor*Implications of Morphological Inventions in 5th and 8th Grade Reading and Writing*

The recipient of a Psychology Honors Travel Award, Elyse will graduate Cum Laude with a BS in psychology. She has been accepted into and plans to attend the learning sciences and human development doctoral program at the UW College of Education. This will follow completion of a Master's degree at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Holly Quimby

Sponsor: Tony Greenwald, Ph.D., Professor

Effects of Psych 250 'Racism and Minority Groups' Course on Students' Implicit and Explicit Race Attitudes

Holly will graduate with a BS in psychology. Her post-graduation plans are to find employment.

Summer RaynorSponsors: Sheri Mizumori, Ph.D., Professor and Chair
and Phillip Baker, Ph.D., Post-doctoral Researcher*Lateral Habenula Inactivation Impairs Cue-Based Decision Making*

Set to graduate with a BS in psychology, Summer's long-term goal is to build a career in the research field. She plans to continue working in the coming year to both gain more experience refine her research interests prior to applying to graduate programs.

Shane SnyderSponsor: Peter Vitaliano, Ph.D., Professor
Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences*Chronic Stress, Health Behaviors, and Psychological Distress*

Shane is a member of Phi Beta Kappa as well as the Dean's List and will graduate Cum Laude with a BS in psychology and a minor in nutrition sciences. He is also an officer in the Psi Chi Honor Society, the recipient of a Psychology Honors Travel Award, and has presented his research at several conferences and symposia. Following graduation, Shane plans to apply to graduate school to study social or health psychology.

Allisa Song

Sponsors: Sheri Mizumori, Ph.D., Professor and Chair
and Charles Chavkin, Ph.D., Professor, Pharmacology

Exploring the Role of the Kappa Opioid Receptor in Protracted Abstinence to Morphine

Allisa will graduate with a double degree in psychology and biology. She is a recipient of a Psychology Honors Travel Award. Allisa has accepted a position in Dr. Charles Chavkin's lab where she will continue to do research following graduation.

Taylor Stacy

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

Parental Stress and Child Adjustment in a Pediatric Cancer Population: The Moderating Role of Parental Emotion Regulation

A member of Phi Theta Kappa, a Washington State Honors Awardee, and an American Shudokan Association Scholar, Taylor will graduate with a BS in psychology. Her plans for the coming year are to work as a research assistant in a child clinical psychology lab. In the future, Taylor intends to enter a Ph.D. program in child clinical psychology.

Kelsey Wallach

Sponsor: Robin Foster, Ph.D., Affiliate Professor

Does Prior Target Training Generalize to and Reduce Equine Stress during Trailer Loading and Rider Mounting?

Kelsey will graduate Cum Laude with a BS in psychology. Next year, she will be attending Seattle University's Master's program in counseling. Kelsey plans to pursue a career in equine facilitated psychotherapy.

Junting Yu

Sponsor: Lori Zoellner, Ph.D., Professor

Emotion Regulation Strategies Used in Middle Childhood: The Role of Parent-Child Attachment and Parental Emotion Regulation

Junting will graduate with a BS in psychology and a minor in mathematics. She plans to apply to graduate programs in clinical psychology.

Aida Mohamed Zain

Sponsor: Susan Joslyn, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Asymmetric Dominance Effect on Asset Allocation Decisions for Retirement Savings

A Mary Gates Research Scholar and the recipient of a Psychology Honors Travel Award, Aida will graduate with a double degree in psychology and economics. She has been accepted into a Master's in management sciences at the London School of Economics and Political Science.

Emily Zeng

Sponsor: Jonathan Bricker, Affiliate Associate Professor

Predictors of Utilization of a Novel Smoking Cessation Smartphone App

Emily will graduate with a double degree in psychology and public health. A nominee for the Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco (SRNT) Trainee Spotlight, she is also the recipient of a Psychology Honors Travel Award. Emily's honors thesis has been accepted for publication in the *Telemedicine and eHealth* journal. During the coming year, she will continue her research with Dr. Jonathan Bricker's lab and plans to apply to Ph.D. programs in clinical psychology.