UNC Collaborative Study on Positive Emotions and Physical Health Receives International Recognition

A study, jointly authored by Dr. Barbara Fredrickson, Distinguished Professor, and Dr. Bethany Kok, alumna, was recently the focus of an article entitled, “Think Yourself Well,” published in The Economist. The article draws attention to a study supported by a grant originally awarded to Dr. Fredrickson for her research in connecting positive emotions and physical health. Fellow Tarheel contributors to the study include Sara Algoe, Kimberly Coffey, Lahnna Catalino, and Tanya Vacharkulksemuk. Congratulations to all on such a distinguished honor!

Professor Slated to Release Second Book, Love 2.0

Professor Barbara Fredrickson is at it again! On the heels of success of her first book, Positivity, Professor Fredrickson prepares to release yet another groundbreaking book this February entitled, Love 2.0. The book is intended to reinvent how we look at and experience our most powerful emotion: love. Using research from her own lab at UNC, Professor Fredrickson redefines love not as a stable behemoth, but as micromoments of connection between people, including strangers. Professor Fredrickson can be found describing the fruits of her research that operate as the basis of her upcoming book in more detail on YouTube.

We welcome you all to attend Professor Fredrickson’s book release and signing event on January 24th at 7 PM at FlyLeaf Books. FlyLeaf is located at 752 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Chapel Hill, NC 27514.
NIH Research Opportunities for Faculty

Effects of Adolescent Binge Drinking on Brain Development
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
PA-12-027 (R01)
PA-12-028 (R21)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Research on Autism and Autism Spectrum Disorders (R01)
National Institute on Mental Health
Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute for Child Health and Human Development
National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
National Institute of Nursing Research
National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine
Office of Dietary Supplements
PA-10-158
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Psychosocial/Behavioral Interventions and Services Research in Autism Spectrum Disorders (R34)
Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute for Child Health and Human Development
National Institute of Mental Health
National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders
PA-11-283
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Prescription Drug Abuse
National Institute of Drug Abuse
PA-13-016 (R21)
PA-13-021 (R01)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Behavioral Science Track Award for Rapid Transition (B/START)(R03)
PAR-12-251
National Institute of Drug Abuse
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Alcohol Research Resource Awards (R24)
PAR-12-237
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Substance Use and Abuse, Risky Decision Making and HIV/AIDS
National Institute on Drug Abuse
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
PA-11-006 (R01)
PA-11-007 (R21)
PA-11-008 (R03)
Application Due Date: Standard AIDS application due dates apply

Women and Sex/Gender Differences in Drug and Alcohol Abuse/Dependence
National Institute of Drug Abuse
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
PA-11-047 (R01)
PA-11-048 (R21)
PA-11-049 (R03)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Research Short Courses (R25)
PA-12-207
Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute for Child Health and Human Development
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Translational Research for the Development of Novel Interventions for Mental Disorders (R21/R33)
National Institute of Mental Health
Office of Dietary Supplements
PAR-11-177
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Family and Interpersonal Relationships in an Aging Context (R01)
National Institute on Aging
PA-11-128
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Collaborative R34s for Pilot Studies of Innovative Treatments in Mental Disorders (R34)
National Institute of Mental Health
PAR-12-071
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

*Standard NIH due dates for all activity codes including new submissions, renewals, and resubmissions can be found here.

*If you are interested in applying for any of these opportunities, please contact Grants Management Officer, Christina Rodriguez (ccrod@unc.edu).
NSF Research Opportunities for Faculty

Research on the Science and Technology Enterprise: Statistics and Surveys
NSF 12-545
Application Due Date: January 15, 2013

Social Psychology
PD 98-1332
Application Due Date: January 15, 2013

Developmental and Learning Sciences
PD 08-1698
Application Due Date: January 15, 2013

Law & Social Sciences
NSF 12-507
Application Due Date: January 15, 2013

Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics (MMS)
12-510
Application Due Date: January 16, 2013

Decision, Risk and Management Sciences (DRMS)
PD 98-1321
Application Due Date: January 18, 2013

Cognitive Neuroscience
09-0563
Application Due Date: January 24, 2013

Major Research Instrumentation (MRI) Program: Instrument Acquisition or Development
NSF 13-517
Application Due Date: February 21, 2013

Integrated Support Promoting Interdisciplinary Research and Education (INSPiRE)
NSF 13-518
Letter of Intent required
Application Due Date: May 13, 2013 and May 29, 2013

If you are interested in applying for any of these opportunities, please contact Grants Management Officer, Christina Rodriguez (ccrod@unc.edu).

DOD Research Opportunities for Faculty

Defense Sciences Research and Technology
DARPA-BAA-11-65
Application Due Date: February 7, 2013

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Research Opportunities for Graduate Students & Postdoctoral Scholars

Science, Technology, and Society (STS)
pre-docs and post-docs eligible
NSF 12-509
Application Due Date: February 1, 2013

Guggenheim Foundation, Dissertation Fellowship
Research for Understanding and Reducing Violence, Aggression and Dominance
Guidelines
Application Due Date: February 1, 2013

ASA Graduate Student Investigator Award in Social Psychology
Guidelines
Application Due Date: March 1, 2013

Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards (NRSA)
PA-11-111 (F-31 Predoctoral)
PA-11-112 (F-31D Predoctoral Diversity)
PA-11-113 (F-32 Postdoctoral)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

APA/APF Randy Gerson Memorial Grant
Guidelines
Application Due Date: February 1, 2013

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Departmental Events

Clinical Lunch Series

*Clinical lunches are held in Davie Hall room 261 from 12—1 PM.

January 11th — Diversity Journal Club


January 25th — Fourth Friday Free


February 8th — Interview Day

Social Seminar Series

*This talk will be held in Davie Hall room 112 from 4—5:30 PM.

January 25th — Michal I. Norton, Ph.D., Associate Professor at Harvard Business School will give a presentation entitled, Spreading the Wealth and Health: Americans’ Ideal Distribution of Wealth, Death and Health(care). Please click here to read more about Dr. Norton and his featured works.

Abstract: Recent debates in the United States about wealth inequality and universal healthcare have highlighted differences in opinion about how wealth and healthcare should be distributed among poor and rich Americans. Using three metrics – wealth, life expectancy and access to healthcare – we assessed people’s understanding of how these outcomes are currently distributed among Americans, and their preferences for how outcomes should be distributed. Importantly, we also explored whether Americans – rich and poor, liberal and conservative – showed consensus in their ideals. Estimated and ideal distributions differed significantly for each metric: Americans across the political and economic spectrum preferred wealth, health(care) and death to be more equally distributed among the rich and poor than the current distributions.

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