The Clinical Psychology Program is ranked #2 in the 2017 U.S. News and World Report of Best Clinical Psychology Program. U.S. News and World Report’s annual rankings are based on expert opinions on program excellence and statistical indicators that measure the quality of a school’s faculty, research, and students. Surveys for the 2017 rankings were conducted during Fall 2015 and early 2016.

Leslie Morales, a senior majoring in Psychology, is a 2016 recipient of the University Award for the Advancement of Women. This award was created in 2006 to honor individuals who have mentored or supported women on campus, elevated the status of women or improved campus policies for them, promoted women’s recruitment and retention, or promoted professional development for women.

Leslie won for her mentorship as a Co-Director of the Scholars’ Latino Initiative, a TarHeel program designed to help students and families navigate the educational system and pursue higher education. Leslie was honored at a ceremony at the Campus Y on March 4, 2016.

Dr. Barbara Fredrickson, Kenan Distinguished Professor of Social Psychology, is a recipient of the 2016-17 James McKeen Cattell Sabbatical Fellowship. The Cattell Fellowship supplements the regular sabbatical allowances provided by recipients home institutions to allow an extension of leave and supports scientific research. Dr. Fredrickson plans to use her Cattell sabbatical to expand her methodological toolkit to assess the non-conscious, physiological, and neural underpinnings of face-to-face emotional connections in residence at Univ. of California Berkeley.
Welcome to New Staff!

James Foster is the new Program Coordinator for the Behavioral Neuroscience and Developmental Psychology graduate programs. He has a B.A. in Psychology from the University of Maine and a Master’s in Education from Wake Forest University. James lives with his fiancé, Stacey, in Chapel Hill with their two cats, and enjoys reading, games, and going to the movies or to the theater. We are so glad that James has joined the Department!

Emily Mallasch joined the Department as our new Clinical Psychology Program Coordinator. She is a full-time college student at Peace University studying Business Administration with a minor in Marketing. When she’s not at Davie Hall or studying, she is catering to every whim and fancy of Buster Keaton the dog! This includes lots of time at the dog park, long walks exploring their neighborhood, and taking BK to local assisted living centers to socialize with residents of the Dementia Unit. Welcome, Emily!

News, continued


Six of our Psychology and Neuroscience undergraduate students are the recipients of the 2015-16 Lindquist Undergraduate Research Grants. The Lindquist Undergraduate Research Fund funds undergraduate research projects in the department. These funds can be used to buy needed equipment or software, recruit participants, or to offset costs related to presenting or publishing research. In total, six grants are awarded over the academic year. This year’s recipients include:

- Samantha Dove—“Relationship Between Stress and Habitual Behavior: How They Relate to Relapse”
- Isai García-Baza—“Parental Support, Cultural Familial Values, and Student Academic Outcomes in Hispanic Families”
- Jocelyn Le—“Mindfulness as a Function of Everyday Work Experience”
- Nadia Peyravian—“Cognitive Aging in Autism Spectrum Disorders”
- Jasmine Shah—“The Effects of Comorbid Major Depression on Cognitive Functioning in Adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorder”
- Megan Villegas—“Improving Body Satisfaction through the Formation of If-Then Plans”
Our 2016 Department Colloquium features **Dr. Ernest C. Davenport**. Dr. Davenport is a professor in the Quantitative Methods in Education Program within the College of Educational Psychology and Human Development at the University of Minnesota.

He received a B.S. degree in Psychology and Computer Science from Duke University and his Masters and Doctoral degrees from the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill.

Dr. Davenport has had a long-standing role as the Director of an ACT/SAT review course for at-risk students and was one of the founders of Minnesota’s Office of Educational Accountability (OEA), which was created to assist with educational accountability in the state.

His research primarily focuses on the study of measurement to better understand achievement gaps, with special interests in the relationship between student experiences and academic success.

Dr. Davenport will present “Reliability, Internal Consistency, and Dimensionality in Psychological Assessment” for our 2016 Department Colloquium. Join us Wednesday, March 23 at 3:30 pm in Davie Hall, room 112.
Research Opportunities for Faculty

If you are interested in applying for any of these opportunities, contact Phil Lee, Grants Management Officer, at palee@email.unc.edu.

National Institutes of Health

The Application of Big Data Analytics to Drug Abuse Research (R01)
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PA-16-119
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Physical Activity and Weight Control Interventions Among Cancer Survivors: Effects on Biomarkers of Prognosis and Survival
National Cancer Institute
PA-16-122 (R01)
PA-16-123 (R21)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Behavioral & Integrative Treatment Development Program
National Institute on Drug Abuse
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research
PA-16-072 (R01)
PA-16-073 (R34)
PA-16-074 (R03)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Clinical Development of Minimally-Invasive Bioassays to Support Outpatient Clinical Trials of Therapeutics for Substance Use Disorders
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PA-16-075 (R21)
PA-16-076 (R01)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Behavioral Science Track Award for Rapid Transition (B/Start)(R03)
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PAR-16-071
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Drug Abuse Prevention Intervention Research
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PA-15-080 (R21)
PA-15-081 (R03)
PA-15-082 (R01)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Mechanistic Studies of Pain and Alcohol Dependence
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PA-15-026 (R01)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Epidemiology of Drug Abuse
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PA-15-001 (R21)
PA-15-002 (R03)
PA-15-003 (R01)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Biobehavioral and Technological Interventions to Attenuate Cognitive Decline in Individuals with Cognitive Impairment or Dementia
National Institute of Nursing Research
National Institute on Aging
PA-15-015 (R21)
PA-15-016 (R15)
PA-15-017 (R01)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Women & Sex/Gender Differences in Drug and Alcohol Abuse/Dependence
National Institute on Drug Abuse
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
PA-14-036 (R21)

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-14-061 (R01)
PA-14-062 (R21)
PA-14-063 (R03)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Modeling Social Behavior (R01)
National Cancer Institute
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering
Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
National Institute of Mental Health
National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health
PAR-13-374
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Neuroscience Research on Drug Abuse
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PA-13-338 (R01)
PA-13-337 (R21)
PA-13-336 (R03)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Implication of New Digital Media Use for Underage Drinking, Drinking-Related Behaviors, and Prevention Research
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
PA-13-262 (R01)
PA-13-263 (R21)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Effects of Cannabis Use and Cannabinoids
Research Opportunities, cont.

on the Developing Brain
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PA-14-163 (R01)
PA-14-162 (R21)
PA-14-164 (R03)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Healthy Habits: Timing for Developing Sustainable Healthy Behaviors in Children and Adolescents
National Institute of Nursing Research
Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research
PA-14-177 (R01)
PA-14-176 (R21)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Clinical Studies of Mental Illness Not Involving Treatment Development, Efficacy, or Effectiveness Trials
National Institute of Mental Health
PAR-14-165 (Collaborative R01)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Lab to Marketplace: Tools for Brain and Behavioral Research
National Institute of Mental Health
National Institute of Deafness and Other Communication Disorders
PA-14-250 (R43/R44)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Notice of Information on High-Priority Research Areas to Understand and Reduce Mental Health Disparities
National Institutes of Mental Health
NOT-MH-14-033 (R01, R21, and other opportunities)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Advancing Interventions to Improve Medication Adherence
Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research
National Eye Institute
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders
National Institute of Mental Health
National Institute of Nursing Research
National Institute on Drug Abuse
National Cancer Institute
PA-14-335 (R21)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

BRAIN Initiative: Development, Optimization, and Validation of Novel Tools and Technologies for Neuroscience Research
National Institute of Mental Health
National Institute of Aging
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
National Institute on Drug Abuse
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke
National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders
PAR-15-090 (STTR) (R41/R42)
PAR-15-091 (SBIR) (R43/R44)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Functional Wellness in HIV: Maximizing the Treatment Cascade
National Institute of Nursing Research
Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research
PA-15-133 (R01)
PA-15-134 (R21)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Systems Science and Health in the Behavioral and Social Sciences
Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research
National Cancer Institute
National Institute on Aging
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders
National Institute of Mental Health
National Institute of Nursing Research
National Institute on Drug Abuse
National Cancer Institute
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Pilot and Feasibility Studies in Preparation for Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Trials (R34)
National Institute on Drug Abuse
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
PA-15-177
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Screening and Brief Alcohol Interventions in Underage and Young Adult Populations
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
PA-15-294 (R21)
PA-15-295 (R01)
PA-15-296 (R03)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Alcohol Use Disorders: Behavioral Treatment, Services and Recovery Research
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
PA-15-299 (R01)
Research Opportunities, cont.

PA-15-300 (R03)
PA-15-301 (R21)
**Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply**

Research on the Mechanisms and/or Behavioral Outcomes of Multisensory Processing (R01)
National Institute on Aging
National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health
National Cancer Institute
National Eye Institute
National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
National Institute on Drug Abuse
National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke
Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research
Office of Research on Women’s Health
PA-15-347
**Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply**

Major Opportunities for Research in Epidemiology of Alzheimer’s Disease and Cognitive Resilience (R01)
National Institute on Aging
PAR-15-356
**Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply**

AIDS-Science Track Award for Research Transition (R03)
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PA-15-290
**Application Due Date: Standard AIDS due dates apply**

HIV/AIDS High Priority Drug Abuse Research (R01)
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PAS-16-018
**Application Due Date: Standard AIDS due dates apply**

BRAIN Initiative: Next-Generation Invasive Devices for Recording and Modulation in the Human Central Nervous System (U44)
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke
National Institute for Complementary and Integrative Health
National Eye Institute
National Institute on Aging
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering
Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
National Institute on Drug Abuse
National Institute on Aging
PA-15-099
**Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply**

BRAIN Initiative: Next-Generation Invasive Devices for Recording and Modulation in the Human Central Nervous System (U44)
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke
National Institute for Complementary and Integrative Health
National Eye Institute
National Institute on Aging
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering
Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
National Institute on Drug Abuse
National Institute on Aging
PA-15-117
**Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply**

Services Planning Research in the Appalachian Region to Address Adverse Health Consequences Associated with Increased Opioid Injection Drug Use (R03)
National Institute on Drug Abuse
RFA-DA-16-015
**Application Due Date: 04/28/16**

Small Vessel Vascular Contributions to Cognitive Impairment and Dementia (VCID) Biomarkers Development Projects
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke
National Institute on Aging
RFA-NS-16-019 (U24)
RFA-NS-16-020 (UH2/UH3)
**Application Due Date: 05/10/16**

Pre-application: Stimulating Peripheral Activity to Relieve Conditions (SPARC): Comprehensive Functional Mapping of Neuroanatomy and Neurobiology of Organs (OT1)
National Institutes of Health
RFA-RM-15-003
**Application Due Date: 05/16/16 and bi-monthly through 2018**

Reductions in Illicit Drug Use and Functional Outcomes (R21/R33)
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PA-15-099
**Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply**

(Letter of Intent required, LoI due 05/16/16 for 06/16/16 deadline)

Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award Institutional Predoctoral Training Program in the Neurosciences (T32)
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke
National Institute on Aging
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
National Institute on Drug Abuse
National Institute of General Medical Sciences
National Institute of Mental Health
PAR-15-178
**Application Due Date: 05/25/16, plus additional deadlines through 2017**

The Neural Mechanisms of Multi-Dimensional Emotional and Social Representation
Research Opportunities, cont.:

National Institute of Mental Health
RFA-MH-17-300 (R01)
RFA-MH-17-305 (R21)
Application Due Date: 06/03/16

Understanding Factors in Infancy and Early Childhood (Birth to 24 months) That Influence Obesity Development
National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases
Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research
National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities
PAR-14-323 (R01)
Application Due Date: 06/05/16, plus additional deadlines through 2017

Methods for Prevention Packages Program IV (MP3 IV) (R01)
National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases
National Institute of Mental Health
PAR-16-124
Application Due Date: 06/07/16, plus additional deadlines through 2018

Pragmatic Strategies for Assessing Psychotherapy Quality in Practice (R01)
National Institute of Mental Health
RFA-MH-17-500
Application Due Date: 06/08/16

Fundamental Mechanisms of Affective and Decisional Processes in Cancer Control (U01)
National Cancer Institute
PAR-14-067
Application Due Date: 06/10/16 or 10/14/16

Exploratory Clinical Trials of Mind and Body Interventions for NCCAM High Priority Research Topics (R34)
National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health
PAR-14-182
Application Due Date: 06/10/16, plus additional deadlines through 2017

NIDA Mentored Clinical Scientists Development Program Award in Drug Abuse and Addiction (K12)
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PAR-15-119
Application Due Date: 06/12/16, plus additional deadlines through 2017
(Letter of Intent required 05/12/16 for 06/12/16 deadline)

Exploratory Clinical Trials of Novel Interventions for Mental Disorders
National Institute of Mental Health (R33)
RFA-MH-16-400
Application Due Date: 06/15/16, plus additional deadlines through 2016

Pilot Effectiveness Trials for Treatment, Preventive and Services Interventions (R34)
National Institute of Mental Health
RFA-MH-16-410
Application Due Date: 06/15/16, plus additional deadlines through 2016

Clinical Trials to Test the Effectiveness of Treatment, Preventive, and Services Interventions
National Institute of Mental Health
RFA-MH-16-415 (Collaborative R01)
RFA-MH-16-420 (R01)
Application Due Date: 06/15/16, plus additional deadlines through 2016

Confirmatory Efficacy Clinical Trials of Non-Pharmacological Interventions for Mental Disorders (R01)
National Institute of Mental Health
RFA-MH-16-425
Application Due Date: 06/15/16 and 10/14/16

Novel Assays to Address Translational Gaps in Treatment Development (UG3/UH3)
National Institute of Mental Health
PAR-16-065
Application Due Date: 06/23/16, plus additional deadlines through 2018

Biomedical and Behavioral Research Innovations to Ensure Equity (BRITE) in Maternal and Child Health (R15)
National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
PAR-15-319
Application Due Date: 07/07/16, plus additional due dates through 2017

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

National Science Foundation

Mid-2016 deadlines begin in July; check with Phil for details.

American Psychological Foundation

David Wechsler Early Career Grant for Innovative Work in Cognition
APF Guidelines Here
Application Due Date: 06/15/16

American Psychological Association

Psi Chi Faculty Advisor Research Grants
APA Guidelines Here
Application Due Date: 06/01/16

Russel Sage Foundation

Social Inequality (plus additional programs)
Russell Sage Foundation
Funding Opportunity Information
Letter of Inquiry Due Date: 06/15/16
Application Due Date: 08/15/16
Letter of Intent Due Date: 03/31/16
If you are interested in applying for any of these opportunities, contact Phil Lee, Grants Management Officer, at palee@email.unc.edu.

National Institutes of Health

Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards (NRSA)
Check guidelines for list of participating institutes
PA-14-147 (F-31 Predoctoral)
PA-14-148 (F-31D Predoctoral Diversity)
PA-14-149 (F-32 Postdoctoral)
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

NIH Pathway to Independence Award (K99/R00)
Check guidelines for list of participating institutes
PA-16-077
Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Application Due Date: Standard due dates apply

Drug Abuse Dissertation Research (R36)
National Institute on Drug Abuse
PAR-13-182

Mental Health Research Dissertation Grant to Enhance Workforce Diversity (R36)
National Institute of Mental Health
PAR-15-181
Application Due Date: 04/22/16, plus additional deadlines through 2018

NIH Director’s Early Independence Awards (DPS)
National Institutes of Health
RFA-RM-16-006
Application Due Date: 09/12/16 (Note: Only two applications will be allowed from UNC; check with Phil early about nominating process.)

American Psychological Association

APF Graduate Student Scholarships
Application Due Date: 06/30/16

American Psychological Foundation

F.J. McGuigan Dissertation Award
Apf Guidelines Here
Application Due Date: 06/01/16

Benton-Meier Scholarships
APF Guidelines Here
Application Due Date: 06/01/16

David Wechsler Early Career Grant for Innovative Work in Cognition
APF Guidelines Here
Application Due Date: 06/15/16

Kenneth B. and Mamie P. Clark Fund
APF Guidelines Here
Application Due Date: 06/15/16

APF Graduate Student Scholarships
APF Guidelines Here
Application Due Date: 06/30/16

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