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## UNC PSYCHOLOGY MAJORS STUDY DARWIN AND FREUD

WITH JOE LOWMAN IN LONDON



Psychology Undergraduates Leda Strong, Eliza Williams, Carol Haver, Lauren Welch, Sinclair Guthrie, Mary Houston, and Professor Joe Lowman

During the 2012 fall semester seven UNC Psychology majors are among 23 students participating in the University's London Honors Semester, led by Psychology Professor Joe Lowman. The students are volunteering at various internship sites, including schools for special needs and autistic children and an intensive adolescent treatment facility. They selected from a broad range of courses taught by London-based faculty and the psych majors are all enrolled in Joe Lowman's course, "An Intellectual History of Charles Darwin and Sigmund Freud."

The students are reading selections from original sources, including Darwin's *Voyage of the Beagle*, *The Origin of Species*, *The Descent of Man and Selection in Relation to Sex*, and *The Expression of the Emotions in Man and Animals*. For the Freud Section they are reading from his first article with Breuer on hysteria, *The Interpretation of Dreams*, and other early works. Connections between Darwin's ideas and evolutionary psychology and between Freud's works and the cognitive-behavioral model are also emphasized. Field trips to Darwin's home in Kent and Freud's last home in the Hampstead area of London round out this course. As Director of the fall program Joe and his wife, Betsy, are living in UNC's Winston House on historic Bedford Square in central London and taking the students to a number of cultural events in London and environs. While in London Joe will be delivering a talk in the Winston-House Lecture Series entitled "Charles Darwin: Still the Greatest Psychologist of the Nineteenth Century."

Professor Joe Lowman (pictured with his wife, Betsy), Director of the Fall 2012 Honors Study Abroad Program in London, has been a member of the Psychology Department for over 40 years. He completed his Ph.D. from the Clinical Program at UNC-Chapel Hill in 1970, and immediately joined the faculty as Assistant Professor. His professional interests include empirical studies of exemplary college teachers and

computer-assisted instruction. His teaching interests are broad and include Evolutionary Psychology, History of Psychology, and College Teaching for Graduate Instructors.

For years, all graduate teaching fellows in the department enrolled in Joe's course where they were taught how to teach. On a side note, Joe's Triangle Tuba Quartet played at Psychology Department commencement ceremonies for many years.



## 19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL BLACK GRADUATE CONFERENCE

The UNC Department of Psychology will co-sponsor the 19th Annual Black Graduate Conference in Psychology (BGCP) in June 2013. As in the past, BGCP will offer an opportunity for 50 – 75 graduate students



in all fields of psychology from across the nation to come together to present their ongoing research, gain professional development experiences, and network with other graduate students in a welcoming environment. Faculty from several U.S. institutions will also participate in the conference and provide critical but supportive feedback. The conference program will include paper and poster presentations by graduate students, workshops and panel discussions on a variety of career and professional development issues, and opportunities to meet and socialize with Black faculty and graduate students in psychology. The 2013 BGCP planning committee will be co-chaired by faculty members Enrique Neblett (Psychology), Eleanor Seaton (Psychology), and Wisdom Powell (Health Behavior and Health Education, Gillings School of Public Health).

## WOWS SCHOLARS ENCOURAGE WOMEN IN THE SCIENCES

Professors Regina Carelli and Marcey Waters were named 2011-2013 WOWS (Working on Women in Science) Scholars in the College of Arts and Sciences. The program, launched in 2007, recognizes their roles as outstanding scholars, teachers, mentors and leaders, and will support their activities over the next two years to advance the status of women in the sciences at Carolina.

Carelli, the Stephen B. Baxter Distinguished Professor of Psychology, specializes in behavioral neuroscience, neurobiology and neurochemistry. Her research and teaching explore why cocaine and other powerful drugs are so addictive. She has mentored many undergraduates, graduate students and post-doctoral fellows, including women who seek her advice on the challenges and opportunities facing women in science careers.

Waters, Professor of chemistry, specializes in bio-organic chemistry and molecular recognition. Her interdisciplinary research has potential applications in drug delivery, protein design and bio-sensing. She also has mentored women at the undergraduate, graduate and postdoctoral level and has worked to involve more female colleagues in science lecture series and conference presentations.

# Greetings

from DAVIE HALL  
and THE DEPARTMENT of PSYCHOLOGY!

I am very pleased to serve as Acting Chair of the Department of Psychology this academic year. Donald Lysle was awarded a one-year research leave to recharge his research program this year. Following his leave, he will rejoin the Department on July 1, 2013 and serve another term as Chair of Psychology.



As you will see from our annual newsletter, there were many exciting developments in the Department this past year. We have been very fortunate to recruit new faculty in the Social and Clinical Programs, including two lecturers, two Assistant Professors, and one Associate Professor (see page four for details). Our faculty have been extraordinarily successful at obtaining external grant funding to support their research programs. Many faculty have also received awards for outstanding undergraduate teaching, and outstanding clinical supervision and have been recognized for excellence with Distinguished Professorships.

Our outstanding students continue to flourish as evidenced by their numerous achievements and prestigious awards. Remarkably, sixteen graduate students have received grants and fellowships awarded by external agencies including the American Psychological Association; the National Institutes of Mental Health, Drug Abuse, Aging; and others. Our commitment to undergraduate research remains strong, and is highlighted in the annual honors poster session.

For the first time in four years, we have stable funding and some good news as it relates to the state of North Carolina's budget. Faculty and staff received a small pay increase, new faculty searches have been authorized in several areas, and an increase in instructional dollars will allow us to offer more undergraduate course sections, including a planned new introductory course in neurobiology. Considering the current economic picture for our state, the fact that a raise made the final budget is a positive indication that our legislators value the contributions our faculty and staff make to the University and to North Carolina.

Our collective needs still exceed the state funds that are available to us, and private funding still plays a vital role in helping the Department capitalize on our many strengths. While it's good to be moving forward again with a stabilized state budget, private support remains critical to our ability to recruit and retain top-notch faculty, to recruit outstanding graduate students, and to enhance undergraduate and graduate research and study. I ask you to please consider supporting the Department by making a tax-deductible contribution using the enclosed envelope.

In closing, I would again like to offer special thanks to our alumni and friends. Your generous support and contributions to the Department have enabled many of the opportunities and accomplishments described within these pages. I hope you enjoy hearing news from the Department. When on campus, I invite you to visit us.

*Regina M. Carelli*



**MARTHA COX**, Professor in Developmental Psychology, was appointed Director of Research Services in July, 2012. She joined the faculty in 2001 and was a Professor in the department while also serving as a half-time faculty Director of the Center for Developmental Science from 2001-2011. She received a Ph.D. in Developmental Psychology from the University of Virginia in 1975. Her developmental research focuses on understanding family processes and the social and emotional development of children.



**TODD THIELE**, Professor, was appointed Director of the Behavioral Neuroscience Program in July 2012 after serving as Director of Research Services for 6 years. Todd joined the faculty in 2001. He received his Ph.D. in Psychology from Kansas State University in 1995. Between 1995 and 2001, Todd was a postdoctoral fellow and research scientist in the Department of Psychology at the University of Washington. Todd's main area of research is aimed at studying the neurobiology of binge alcohol drinking and alcohol abuse disorders.

## RETIREMENTS

**ANN LOUISE BARRICK**, Clinical Professor of Psychology, retired on July 31, 2012. Dr. Barrick came to the department in July 1986 as a member of the University of North Carolina/John Umstead Hospital (JUH) contract faculty. She taught courses on Adult Development and Aging, mentored undergraduate students and graduate practicum students at JUH, and supervised student research. She also served as a psychologist on the Geropsychiatry Unit at JUH (now Central Regional Hospital) for eight years before becoming the director of the JUH Psychology department in 1994. Dr. Barrick is a nationally-renowned researcher, having published two books and more than 30 articles and chapters, given nearly 100 presentations, and filmed two training DVDs on caring for individuals with dementia. She is the recipient of numerous state and national awards, including the North Carolina Psychological Association, Mary G. Clark Award in 2003; the APA Heiser Award in 2006 and, most recently, the Sally Cameron Award for advocacy and leadership in 2012. A past president of the North Carolina Psychological Association, Dr. Barrick is currently the president of the North Carolina Psychological Foundation. She will now use her time to travel, tend to her farm in Stem, NC, and advocate for the well-being of North Carolina's citizens who struggle with mental illness.



**ROBERT MACCALLUM**, Professor of Quantitative Psychology, retired as of June 1, 2012. Bud received his Ph.D. from the University of Illinois in 1974, then joined the faculty at Ohio State University, where he served for 28 years. In 2003 he moved to UNC and became Director of the L. L. Thurstone Psychometric Laboratory and the Quantitative Psychology Program, positions he held until 2010. During his years at UNC, Bud taught graduate level courses in quantitative methods and continued his research program on statistical models and methods for the analysis of correlational and longitudinal data. While at UNC he received the Samuel Messick Award from Division 5 of APA for Distinguished Scientific Contributions, as well as UNC's Distinguished Teaching Award for Post-Baccalaureate Instruction. In retirement he looks forward to having more travel adventures, playing a bit more golf, pursuing his interest in photography, and enjoying more time with his family and many friends.



## MEMORIAL EMMETT EARL BAUGHMAN, JR.

Emmett Earl Baughman, Jr. died at the age of 90 on September 29, 2012 in Chapel Hill, NC. Baughman attended Eastern Illinois State College, following which, as an Air Force Captain, he served as a meteorologist for bombing raids over the North Atlantic and Japan during WWII. After his tour of duty, he attended the University of Chicago, where he earned a master's degree in meteorology and a doctorate in psychology.

Professor Baughman began his teaching career at the University of Wisconsin before coming to Chapel Hill in 1954 where he taught in the Department of Psychology until 1981. Prof. Baughman and the late Grant Dahlstrom, his co-author and faculty colleague, won the prestigious Ansfield-Wolf Book Award in 1969 for their groundbreaking research on comparative studies of Southern rural children.

The thing he enjoyed most in his teaching career was the time he spent with graduate psychology students, whether it was on campus or at his home, where he and Barbara provided a very personal environment for aspiring teachers and researchers. In recognition of his work at UNC, his daughters established a graduate student award in 1997 and later enhanced their commitment by creating the Earl and Barbara Baughman Graduate Fellowship Award in Psychology in 2008.

*Memorial donations may be made to the Earl and Barbara Baughman Graduate Fellowship, The Arts and Sciences Foundation, Attn: Del Helton, Campus Box 6115, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-6115.*

## Carolina Psychology YOUR SUPPORT IS ESSENTIAL!

The Department of Psychology gratefully thanks the generous donors who have supported its students, faculty, and programs over the years. Your continued support is needed.

Gifts to the Psychology General Gift fund are used at the discretion of the Chair and are directed to where the need is greatest. Your gift will:

- Help us retain our top-notch faculty, update our equipment and research space so that we can provide undergraduates with the best education possible and maintain our cutting edge research programs.

- Support our efforts to recruit the best faculty and students to the department.
- Help us provide graduate student funding as budget cuts have significantly reduced student support.

If you have questions about giving to Psychology or would like additional information, contact Kelleigh Smith, Associate Director of Capital Gifts, Arts and Sciences Foundation, at [kelleigh.smith@unc.edu](mailto:kelleigh.smith@unc.edu) or 919/843-4454. We are grateful to all our friends and donors for their generosity. Private gifts play a critical role in the success of our department.

Please send your tax deductible gift in the enclosed envelope.

## NEW FACULTY

**STEVEN BUZINSKI** joined the Department of Psychology as a Lecturer on July 1, 2012. He received his Ph.D. in Psychology from the University of Maryland in 2011. An award-winning graduate teaching assistant and Lilly teaching fellow at the University of Maryland, Dr. Buzinski subsequently secured a one-year post-doctoral teaching fellowship at Lebanon Valley College. He now joins the Department of Psychology as a lecturer and the Director of Undergraduate Research. A social psychologist by training, Dr. Buzinski has research interests in self-regulation, prejudice, and the scholarship of teaching and learning.



**KURT GRAY** joined the Department of Psychology as Assistant Professor in the Social Program on July 1, 2012. He grew up in Canada and completed his undergrad at the University of Waterloo and his Ph.D. at Harvard. He was almost a geophysicist instead of a social psychologist, but a cold night stranded and stalked by lynx in Northern Alberta convinced him otherwise. His research interests include mind perception and morality.



**DESIREE GRIFFIN** joined the Department of Psychology as a Lecturer on July 1, 2012. She received her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology with a concentration in Psychology & Law from the University of Alabama. She completed her predoctoral internship through the Department of Psychiatry at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Prior to joining the Department, Desiree was a Psychology Associate at Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute in Danville, Virginia. Desiree's primary teaching interest is the clinical intersection of psychological and legal topics.



**KRISTEN LINDQUIST** joined the Department of Psychology as an Assistant Professor in the Social Program on July 1, 2012. She received her Ph.D. in Psychology from Boston College and was a post-doctoral fellow at the Harvard University Mind/Brain/Behavior Initiative and the Martinos Center for Biomedical Imaging/Massachusetts General Hospital prior to joining the department. Dr. Lindquist's research uses social cognitive, psychophysiological, and neuroscience methods to understand the nature of human emotion. She is interested in answering what emotions are, how they are created by the brain, and how they shape social behavior.



**STACEY DAUGHTERS** will join the Department of Psychology as an Associate Professor in the Clinical Program on January 1, 2013. She received her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology at the University of Maryland, College Park after completing her Clinical Internship at the Brown University Clinical Psychology Training Consortium and Center for Alcohol and Addiction Studies. Prior to joining the Department, she was an Assistant Professor and Director of the Stress, Health, and Addiction Research Program (SHARP) at the University of Maryland. Dr. Daughters is currently the recipient of multiple NIH funded grants collectively aimed at understanding the interaction of neurobiological and behavioral determinants of stress and addiction, and the translation of this knowledge into effective prevention and intervention programs.



## NEW STAFF

**KAREN FINCHER**, Accounting Tech, has almost 20 years accounting experience in both private industry and city government positions. She spent almost 14 years in the Finance Department for the city of Rancho Cucamonga, California. Most recently, Karen has served as a temporary Accounting Technician at the Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention. Karen will have been with the department one year this December.



**CHRISSE GREENBERG**, Student Services Manager, joined the Department of Psychology in July. Chrissie earned a B.A. in English from UNC-CH in 1994. She previously served as Career Services Manager and Student Advisor for Health Policy and Management Department in the UNC School of Public Health (SPH) for nearly four years, and most recently served as Business Manager for the Department of Instructional Systems at SPH. Chrissie took some time off work to start her family, and we welcome her back to UNC and to the Department!



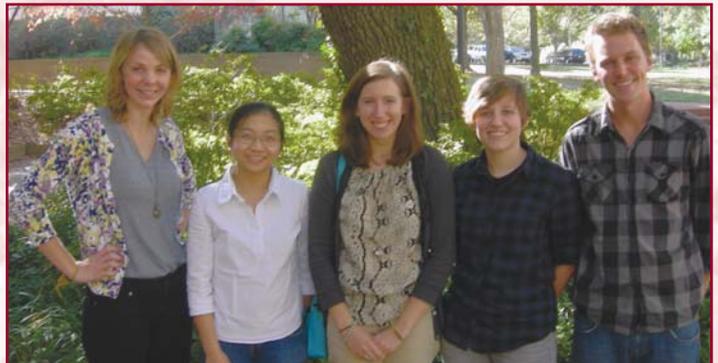
**LINDA PARSON**, Accounting Tech, was previously an Accounting Tech with TEACHH for many years before the program merged with other related programs in the Medical School, resulting in staff reductions. Fortunately for the Department, Linda joined our staff, and she will also have been with the department one year this December.



**MOLLIE THRONEBURG**, Program Coordinator for Developmental and Instructional Programs, will also have been with the department one year this December. Mollie earned a BA in American Studies from UNC-CH in 2009, and she worked in the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at Carolina before joining the department.



## NEW RESEARCH STAFF



Left to right: Kelly Geraty (BA, Classics, Davidson, 2011 - Bardone-Cone Lab), Xuefei Wang (BS, Biology, UNC, 2012 - Carelli Lab), Erica Goodman (BA, Psychology and Zoology, University of Wisconsin, 2012 - Bardone-Cone Lab), Leigh Spivey (BS, Psychology, Duke, 2012 - Prinstein Lab), and Colin Iwanski (BA, Psychology, UNC, 2011 - Penn Lab).

## FACULTY HONORS, AWARDS & HIGHLIGHTS

**Sara Algoe**, Assistant Professor in the Social Program, was awarded research funds from the Greater Good Science Center for a project entitled: "Unpacking the Mechanisms of Gratitude's Benefits within Close Relationships."

**Anna Bardone-Cone**, Associate Professor, received an R01 grant from the National Institutes of Health in August on defining remission and recovery in the eating disorders. Dr. Bardone-Cone also received tenure in July!

**Patrick Curran**, Thurstone Psychometric Lab faculty and Quantitative Program Director, received the 2012-2013 Chapman Family Teaching Award in recognition of his distinguished record of teaching undergraduates at UNC. He will serve as a Fellow in the Institute for Arts and Humanities during the 2013 spring semester.

**Barbara Fredrickson**, Kenan Distinguished Professor and Director of Social Psychology, received a four-year grant from the National Cancer Institute to conduct research on "Promoting cancer-related behavior change through positive emotions." Dr. Fredrickson's new book, written for a general audience, is forthcoming in January, 2013, entitled, "*Love 2.0: How our supreme emotion affects everything we feel, think, do, and become.*" New York: Hudson Street Press.

Fredrickson's 1997 paper with Dr. Tomi-Ann Roberts entitled "Objectification theory: Toward understanding women's lived experience and mental health risks" was recognized in 2011 by APA's Division 35 as the single most highly cited article in the 35-year history of its flagship journal, *Psychology of Women Quarterly*. See invited commemorative essay: **Fredrickson, B. L., Hendler, L. M., Nilsen, S., O'Barr, J. F., & Roberts, T.** (2011). Bringing back the body: A retrospective on the development of objectification theory. *Psychology of Women Quarterly*, 35, 689-696.

**Bud MacCallum**, Professor in the Quantitative Program, was honored with the Saul Award for Distinguished Multivariate Research from the Society for Multivariate Experimental Research.

**Neil Mulligan**, Professor and Director of Cognitive Psychology, was appointed Associate Editor for the Journal of Memory and Language.

**Enrique Neblett**, Assistant Professor of Psychology received a University Research Council Grant for a project entitled: "Racism-Related Stress and Health: Underlying Mechanisms and Processes."

**Keith Payne**, Associate Professor in the Social Program, **Daryl Cameron**, and Joshua Knobe received the Morton Deutsch Award for

the best article by the International Society for Social Justice Research for: Cameron, C. D., Payne, B. K., & Knobe, J. (2010). Do theories of implicit race bias change moral judgments? *Social Justice Research*, 23, 272-289.

Chris Loersch and **Keith Payne** received the International Social Cognition Network Best Paper Award for: Loersch, C., & Payne, B. K. (2011). The situated inference model: An integrative account of the effects of primes on perception, behavior, and motivation. *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, 6, 234-252.

**David Penn**, Associate Director of Clinical Training, has been named the Linda Wagner-Martin Distinguished Professor.

**Mitch Prinstein**, Bowman and Gordon Gray Distinguished Term Professor and Director of Clinical Psychology, was awarded the ABCT Outstanding Mentor Award. Every two years, ABCT awards one person with this award. The Association of Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies (ABCT) is the main society for folks doing work in clinical psychological science. Additionally, Mitch was appointed an APS Fellow by the Association for Psychological Science, 2011.

**Viji Sathy**, Lecturer, was awarded a course redesign grant from the Center for Faculty Excellence at UNC-Chapel Hill. Viji regularly teaches large sections of undergraduate statistics and research methods for our psychology majors. The CFE100+ Large Course Redesign Grant that she received is intended for faculty members who want to make their large course sections more engaging and effective. Viji's grant involves creating recorded mini-lectures for students so she has more class time to engage in interactive and higher-level learning. Additional information: <http://cfe.unc.edu/100plus/lcrgp.html>

**Todd Thiele**, Professor and Director of the Behavioral Neuroscience Program, was recently awarded the second competitive renewal (year 10) of an R01 grant from NIAAA to study the role of neuropeptide Y in modulating binge alcohol drinking.

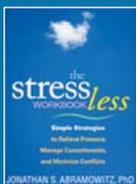
**Li Cai**, Quantitative Program alum, received the Catell Early Career Research Award from the Society for Multivariate Experimental Research and the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers, described by a White House News Release as the "highest honor bestowed by the United States Government on science and engineering professionals in the early stages of their independent research careers."

**Bruno Estigarribia**, Research Assistant Professor in Cognitive Psychology, Assistant Professor in Romance Languages and Literatures, was awarded an IAH Innovation Fund for his digital project on analyzing language from social media data.

## FACULTY BOOKSHELF

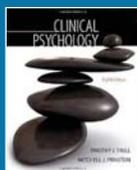
**JONATHAN S. ABRAMOWITZ** (Clinical Program):

Abramowitz, J.S. (2012). *The Stress Less Workbook: Simple Strategies to Relieve Pressure, Manage Commitments and Minimize Conflicts*. New York: Guilford press.



**MITCH PRINSTEIN** (Clinical Program): Trull, T. & Prinstein, M.J. (2012). *Clinical Psychology* (8th Edition).

Wadsworth Publishing. Winner: 2011 PROSE Award, Multivolume Reference/ Humanities & Social Sciences, The American Publishers Awards for Professional and Scholarly Excellence.



**MITCH PRINSTEIN** (Clinical Program): Prinstein, M. J. (Ed.) (2012). *The portable mentor: Expert guide to a successful career in psychology*. Second Edition. New York: Springer.

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**MITCH PRINSTEIN** (Clinical Program): Williams-Nickelson, C., Prinstein, M. J., & Keilin, W. G. (2012). *Internships in psychology: The APAGS workbook for writing successful applications and finding the right fit*. Third edition. Washington, DC: APA.

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# GRADUATE STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

**MAGGIE BROMBERG** (Clinical, Dr. Karen Gil, advisor) was awarded the 2012 Society of Behavioral Sleep Medicine Student Dissertation/Thesis Award at the inaugural meeting in June in Boston, MA. Maggie also received the 2011 APA Division 54 Society of Pediatric Psychology Student Research Award Honorable Mention late last year.

**DARYL CAMERON** (Social, Dr. Keith Payne, advisor) was the recipient of the **Christopher R. Agnew Research Innovation Award** for his highly innovative research on compassion and morality, as exemplified in his article, "The Cost of Callousness: Regulating Compassion Influences the Moral Self-Concept" which appeared in *Psychological Science* in 2012.

**LAHNNA CATALINO** (Social, Dr. Barbara Fredrickson, advisor) received the **Chester A. Insko Best Publication Award** for her article, "A Tuesday in the Life of a Flourisher: The Role of Positive Emotional Reactivity in Optimal Mental Health," which appeared in *Emotion* in 2011.

The 2012 **Baughman Dissertation Awards** were given to **ELLEN FITZSIMMONS-CRAFT** (Clinical, Dr. Anna Bardone-Cone, advisor) and **JOE FRANKLIN** (Clinical, Dr. Mitch Prinstein, advisor). Ellen's dissertation examines the role of daily instances of comparing oneself to others and objectifying one's own body in the development of body dissatisfaction and disordered eating among college women. Joe's dissertation is entitled "The Nature, Development, and Reversal of Positive Associations with Nonsuicidal Self-Injury."

**MEG HARNEY** (Clinical, Dr. Anna Bardone-Cone, advisor) received the 2012 **Rosa Swanson Award**, presented annually to the student, staff or faculty member within the Clinical Psychology Program who has helped to foster a warm, supportive professional environment. This award was voted on by the entire Clinical Psychology Program.

**STEVEN HOLOCHWOST** (Developmental, Drs. Jean-Louis Gariepy and Martha Cox, advisors) won a 2012 **James J. Gallagher Dissertation Award** from the

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PH.D. GRADUATES

STUDENT	PROGRAM	YEAR	FACULTY ADVISOR
Caroline Bliss Adelman	Clinical	2012	Mitch Prinstein
Miri Besken	Cognitive	2012	Neil Mulligan
Alexandros Christodoulou	Cognitive	2012	Jennifer Arnold
Amanda Renee Clincy	Developmental	2012	Martha Cox
Jaclyn Hennessey Ford	Cognitive	2012	Kelly Giovanello
Megan Joseph Freeman	Clinical	2012	Eric Youngstrom
Clare Marks Gibson	Clinical	2012	David Penn
Jennifer Nicolette Gibson	Developmental	2012	Steven Reznick
John DuPont Guerry	Clinical	2012	Mitch Prinstein
Jasmine Kelly Hudepohl	Clinical	2012	Don Baucom
Tanee Marie Hudgens	Developmental	2012	Beth Kurtz-Costes
Diane Losardo	Quantitative	2012	Sy-Miin Chow
Heather Celine Lasseter	Behavioral Neuroscience	2011	Rita Fuchs Lokensgard
Emily Geyer Lowery-Gionta	Behavioral Neuroscience	2011	Todd Thiele
Paul Michael Miceli	Social	2012	Melanie Green
Emily Leonard Parks	Cognitive	2011	Joe Hopfinger
Jolynn Chiu-Xiah Pek	Quantitative	2012	Robert MacCallum
Diana Marie Rancourt	Clinical	2012	Mitch Prinstein

Frank Porter Graham Child Development Institute. Steven's dissertation focuses on the role of biological and behavioral aspects of self-regulation in moderating the effects of risks related to poverty.

**SHAWN JONES** (Clinical, Dr. Enrique Neblett, advisor) received a 2012 Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship. This prestigious award recognizes superior academic achievement, a commitment to diversity, and promise of future achievement as a scholar and teacher.

**HEATHER LASSETER** (Fuchs Lab) was awarded a 2012 **Dean's Distinguished Dissertation Award** in the area of Social Sciences from The Graduate School. This is only the second time a graduate student from Psychology has received this award. Heather was honored at the Graduate School's Annual Student Recognition Celebration on April 3, 2012.

**KRISTJEN LUNDBERG** (Social, Dr. Keith Payne, advisor) received the 2012 **Tanner Teaching Assistants Award** for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching for her outstanding contributions as a Graduate Teaching Assistant.

**EROL OZMERAL** (Cognitive, Dr. Peter Gordon, advisor) received a F31 fellowship from the NIH/NIDCD, which is a follow-up study from his recently published article (Ozmeral, Buss, & Hall 2012, *Journal of the Acoustical Society of America*). Erol also received the Graduate Student Research Mentor of the Year Award in the Department of Psychology for 2011-2012.

**CHRISTINE PAPROCKI** (Clinical, Dr. Don Baucom, advisor) is the 2012 recipient of the **Randy Gerson Memorial Grant**, which awards up to \$6,000 for graduate student projects in family and/or couple dynamics, and/or multi-generational processes. Ms. Paprocki will use her Gerson grant to fund dissertation research that will focus on excessive relationship-based reassurance-seeking.

**JENNIFER RINKER**, Postdoctoral Fellow in Dr. Todd Thiele's laboratory, was recently awarded an **NRSA postdoctoral fellowship** from NIAAA to study the role of epigenetic mechanisms in excessive ethanol self-administration.

**MICHAEL WHEATON** (Clinical, Dr. Jon Abramowitz, advisor) received the 2012 **Martin S. Wallach Award for Outstanding Doctoral Candidate in Clinical Psychology**. The Wallach Award is given annually to graduate student who demonstrates superior competence, including excellence in research, clinical, teaching or service endeavors, and is awarded by faculty vote.

## 2011-2012 GRADUATE STUDENT FELLOWSHIP AWARDS

STUDENT	FACULTY ADVISOR	AWARDING AGENCY
Courtney Cameron	Regina Carelli	National Institute on Drug Abuse
Daryl Cameron	Keith Payne	Christopher R. Agnew Research Innovation Award
Lahnna Catalino	Barbara Fredrickson	National Institute on Aging
Lahnna Catalino	Barbara Fredrickson	2012 Chester A. Insko Best Publication Award
Domenic Cerri	Regina Carelli	King Research Excellence Award
Cara Damiano	Gabriel Dichter	Autism Speaks - Dennis Weatherstone Predoctoral Fellowship
Ellen Fitzsimmons-Craft	Anna Bardone-Cone	National Institute of Mental Health
Ellen Fitzsimmons-Craft, Joe Franklin	Anna Bardone-Cone, Mitch Prinstein	Baughman Dissertation Award
Meg Harney	Anna Bardone-Cone	Rosa Swanson Award
Jaclyn Hennessey-Ford	Kelly Giovanello	American Psychological Association Dissertation Research Award; National Institute on Aging
Steven Holochwost	Jean-Louis Gariepy & Enrique Neblett	NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program Martha Cox
Shawn Jones	Enrique Neblett	American Psychological Association of Graduate Students; Nancy B. Forest and L. Michael Honaker Master's Grant for Research in Psychology
Heather Lasseter	Rita Fuchs Lokensgard	2012 Dean's Distinguished Dissertation Award; National Institute of Drug Abuse
Stacy Lin	Anna Bardone-Cone	David and Maeda Galinsky Graduate Student Fellowship
Kristen Lundberg	Keith Payne	2012 Tanner Teaching Assistants Award for Excellence in Undergrad Teaching
James McGinley	Patrick Curran	National Institute on Drug Abuse
Katherine (Katie) Perkins	Beth Kurtz-Costes	Harriet L. Rheingold Graduate Student Fellowship
Elise Rice	Barb Fredrickson	NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program
Antoinette Sabatino	Steve Reznick	Summer 2012 Research Fellowship
Christopher Sheppard	Mitch Prinstein	Grant Dahlstrom Graduate Fellowship
Joseph Simons	Melanie Green	American Psychological Association Dissertation Research Award
Jessica Solis	Andrea Hussong	Research Supplement to Promote Diversity - National Institute of Drug Abuse
Gretchen Sprow	Todd Thiele	National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
Jonathan Sugam	Regina Carelli	National Institute on Drug Abuse
Audrey Wells	Todd Thiele	National Institute on Drug Abuse
Michael Wheaton	Jon Abramowitz	Martin S. Wallach Award for Outstanding Doctoral Candidate in Clinical Psychology
Bharathi Zvara	Martha Cox	National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism

# INSPIRING A NEW GENERATION OF STUDENTS WITH GRADUATE FUND IN PSYCHOLOGY

by Del Helton

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In fall 1972, Murray Turner discovered a new world from his seat in a Davie Hall classroom. The 18-year-old first-year student was enrolled in Richard King's "Introduction to Psychology" course, and today credits the professor with instilling in him a sense of intellectual curiosity that set him on a successful career path in medicine.

"Professor King is one of the most intellectually curious individuals I have ever met. I always had a curious mind, but my critical thinking really took off in his class," said Turner, a Charlotte nephrologist. "He was, no question, the most influential professor I've ever had."

In 2008, Turner created the Richard A. King Graduate Student Excellence Fund, a \$20,000 endowment that provides a travel and research stipend for graduate students studying biological psychology. Turner graduated from Carolina in 1976 and earned his medical degree at Wake Forest University. A residency at McGill University and his research there convinced Turner of the importance of the link between graduate student and professor.

The King fund has already provided support for four graduate students, including Matthew McMurray, whose research focuses on the effects of prenatal cocaine exposure on postnatal development.

"Research funds speed students' progress toward their Ph.D. and allow them to pursue creative ideas that may lie outside the scope of their adviser's research funding," said Don Lysle, psychology department chair. "The award also reminds today's scientists of Dr. King's contributions to the scientific community and his work to advance the department's mission of research, teaching and service."

To support the King Fund, contact Kelleigh Smith at the Arts and Sciences Foundation, [kelleigh.smith@unc.edu](mailto:kelleigh.smith@unc.edu) or (919) 843-4454.



ABOVE: Murray Turner '76, wife Ginette, and from left to right, sons Michael, Alexandre '11 and Eric '07. LEFT: Richard King.

King earned a Bowman and Gordon Gray Professorship from 1989 to 1992 in recognition of his outstanding teaching. He taught the introductory psychology course at Carolina for nearly 50 years. He retired from Carolina twice and now serves as an adviser in the College. "I feel quite honored to have had the opportunity to share what little I know with others. I had no idea that I was influential in Dr. Turner's intellectual growth during college," King said. "Dr. Turner's fellowship gift is especially appropriate because it recognizes two major aspects of my career at Carolina – graduate student teaching and research in biological psychology."

## UNC'S PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT OFFERS A COUPLES COUNSELING CLINIC

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Couples for whom Valentine's Day wasn't all they expected might find help from UNC's psychology department. For as little as \$5, Chapel Hill couples can get counseling on how to handle issues from marriage preparation to infidelity from the psychology department's Couples Clinic. "It's very important to us that we're a service to the community as well as to the campus," said Dr. Donald Baucom, co-director of Couples Services.

The clinic not only addresses common relationship difficulties, but also helps couples in which one partner is experiencing major health problems, with a current program focusing on situations where the female is experiencing early-stage breast cancer.

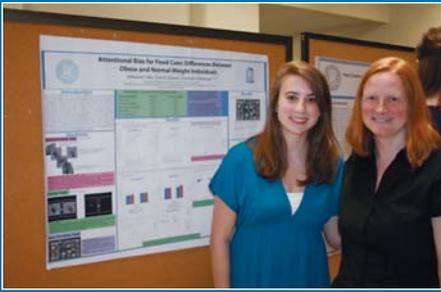
Students regularly attend the clinic, mainly when they are trying to decide whether to make a relationship commitment, said Christine Paprocki, a doctoral student at the clinic. For a lot of seniors, graduation means one or both partners will be moving away. The clinic can guide the couple in responding, whether through managing a long-distance relationship or breaking off the relationship in an amicable manner.

The clinic uses a technique called cognitive behavioral therapy, a theoretical approach that focuses on communication and the way each partner interprets the other's behavior. "If you interpret things negatively, you will react negatively," Baucom said. For example, he said, some people jump to conclusions when a partner forgets their birthday, when a more common explanation is that it's innocent forgetfulness.

The clinic aims to address the distorted interpretations that are often at the heart of relationship difficulties, Baucom said. A notable part of Baucom's work at the clinic has been in treating the impacts of infidelity. "You might call it an interpersonal trauma," Baucom said. "It really violates your basic assumptions about the way the world operates." Baucom's treatment involves three stages: helping both partners with absorbing the blow of infidelity, coming to understand it and then moving on. The treatment is the first to be shown effective at treating infidelity.



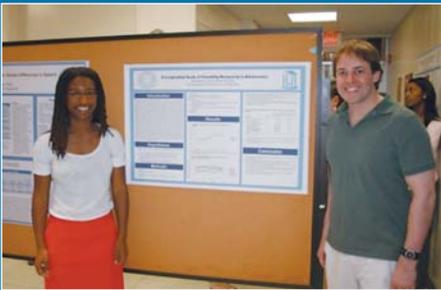
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*Katie Cullen (left) with her advisor, Professor Charlotte Boettiger. Ms. Cullen's thesis was entitled "Attentional Bias for Food Cues: Differences between Obese and Normal-Weight Individuals."*



*S. Adam Smith (left) with his advisor, Professor Neil Mulligan. Mr. Smith's thesis was entitled "An Exploration of the Negative Effects of Repetition and Testing on Memory."*



*Kelci Harris with her advisor, Professor Mitchell Prinstein. Ms. Harris's thesis was entitled "A Longitudinal Study of Friendship Reciprocity in Adolescence."*

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*Shown above are the 2011-2012 Undergraduate Honors Students, pictured with Peter Ornstein (far left), Director of Developmental Psychology and Mark Hollins (far right), Director of Graduate Studies.*