DEPARTMENT NEWS

WINTER 2016 DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY SEMINAR SERIES

Wednesday March 16, 3:30 pm, AD 247
Speaker: Rob Sutherland, PhD, University of Lethbridge
Title: TBA

Wednesday, April 20, 3:30 pm, AD 247
Speaker: Jeff Temple, PhD, University of Texas Medical Branch
Title: Teen sexting, cyberbullying, and emerging trends in social media

COGNITIVE SCIENCE SEMINAR

On March 9th from 12:00-1:00, the weekly Cognitive Science Seminar will be held in Administration 247. This week David Sidhu will give a talk entitled “Boubas to Bobs to Benoits: Exploring Sound Symbolism in English and French”. All are welcome to attend!

CANADA RESEARCH CHAIR TIER II IN ADULT CLINICAL NEUROPSYCHOLOGY JOB TALK

Dr. Brandon Gavett
“Longitudinal Neuropsychology: Toward Optimal Monitoring of Cognitive Aging Trajectories”

Wednesday March 9
9:00-10:30 am
PF 120

EVENTS

IHI INAUGURAL CONFERENCE 2016 CONTEMPORARY INSIGHTS FOR OPTIMIZING HEALTH

Save the Date: MAY 13, 2016

When: Friday, May 13, 2016
8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Where: Bernard Snell Hall
Walter C. Mackenzie Health Sciences Centre
8440 - 112 Street NW, Edmonton, Alberta

Registration: FREE
Registration Deadline: April 15, 2016
See more at: https://uofa.ualberta.ca/integrative-health-institute/ihi-conference-2016#sthash.TRrl4eK9.dpuf
AGRI CONFERENCE

The Alberta Gambling Research Institute and the University of Calgary are co-sponsoring the fifteenth in a series of special interest conferences in the area of gambling studies. The 2016 conference theme is “Understanding Gambling: Mechanisms & Predictors.”

Please join us at The Banff Centre Thursday, April 7, 2016 (Pre-conference workshop & opening reception) and Friday, April 8 & Saturday, April 9, 2016 (Conference)

Presentation themes will range from updates on the latest research on neurobiological and cognitive mechanisms that underlie gambling and problem gambling to presentations on how different treatment and self-help interventions work. Speakers include Dr. Kate Bedford (U of Kent), Dr. John Cunningham (CAMH), Dr. Nerilee Hing (Southern Cross U), Mr. Andrew Kim (U of Calgary), Dr. Marc Lewis (Radboud U), Dr. Barry Scholnick (U of Alberta), Dr. Will Shead (Mount Saint Vincent U), and Dr. Rob Williams (U of Lethbridge).

The Canadian Consortium on Gambling Research annual research methods workshop engages researchers, policy makers and other experts to share their knowledge, perspectives and experience on key issues in gambling research. The workshop, “Digital Engagement: How the web changes recruitment, data collection, and user feedback,” will explore frameworks, methods, and ethical issues related to online recruitment and data collection, analyzing large collections of online data, and the effectiveness of real time feedback on player behaviour.

The conference will take place at The Banff Centre -- a relaxing and intimate setting in the majestic Canadian Rockies. Information about the conference, including the preliminary program and the registration and accommodation form, is available from the Institute website: www.abgamblinginstitute.ualberta.ca.

We look forward to seeing you at the Alberta Gambling Research Institute’s 15th Annual Alberta Conference on Gambling Research in Banff, Alberta!

29TH ANNUAL PSYCHOLOGY UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH CONFERENCE

The University of Saskatchewan's Department of Psychology is pleased to host the 29th Annual Psychology Undergraduate Research Conference at the University of Saskatchewan on Friday, April 8th, 2016. Senior undergraduates from throughout Western Canada, including the Universities of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Brandon, Red Deer, Lethbridge, King's University, Alberta, Calgary, Regina and Saskatchewan, have attended this conference in previous years. We believe that students need the opportunity to present their research results in a conference setting and we view this event as a key academic experience for students interested in pursuing graduate training. The conference represents an important step in the continuation of a research career.

Conference proceedings will include paper and poster presentation sessions, a keynote address, as well as a lunch. Lunch will be provided free of charge to conference participants. If requested, we will do our best to arrange billeting for out of town students. Participants wishing to make use of billeting may indicate this when they submit their abstracts. (They can add a note within the abstract field of the online submission or send one of us a note.)

We request that abstracts (maximum 150 words) be submitted by March 25th online via the submission link on the conference website http://artsandscience.usask.ca/psychology/undergraduates/conference.php which will then take you to the EasyChair conference submission website to upload the formal submission: https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=psychoufs2016. Presenters will need to create a user name and password to log into the site and submit the title and abstract for their presentation as well as the following information: (1) the type of presentation they will be making - spoken paper or poster - this can be specified in parentheses following the title and (2) presenter contact information.
Registering with the College of Alberta Psychologists

Presented by Dr. Richard Spelliscy, PhD, R. Psych (AB)

March 8, 2016
12:00-1:00 pm
EDC 370A

Dr. Spelliscy is the Complaints Director, Privacy Officer and former Director of Professional Guidance for the College of Alberta Psychologists, and an Adjunct Professor in the Faculty of Education, University of Alberta. He is a registered psychologist in three Canadian jurisdictions and has maintained a private practice offering consultative services to education, health, social service, and public/occupational safety organizations for over two decades, and currently serves on the board of the Legal Assist Society.

During the lunch hour, you will have an opportunity to explore the process of registration to the College of Alberta Psychologists. Dr. Spelliscy will entertain any questions you may have about this important step in your professional career.

Light Refreshments will be provided.
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR “BABY SIBS PROJECT” AUTISM STUDY

We are looking for dedicated research assistants to help with testing of participants and data coding starting mid-March 2016. Our research participants are infants aged 6 months to 3 years, some of whom are at risk for being diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. These positions will require a minimum of 5 hours per week of work in the Speech Development Lab at the University of Calgary. These hours can generally be completed at any time during the week, including evenings and weekends. Come summer 2016, we will be looking to fill paid Research Assistant positions with this project and will strongly consider excellent applicants for these.

If you are planning on doing an honours degree or applying to graduate school, this is a great opportunity to round out your CV, and gain a deeper understanding of how research is conducted in psychology.

Experience with babies/toddlers and their parents, and/or experience with children who have Autism Spectrum Disorder is an asset. See our website for more information about our Autism research: http://psychology.ucalgary.ca/speechlab/

To apply, please email your CV (including current GPA) and cover letter to Jennifer Ference at jferenc@ucalgary.ca

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Are you interested in gaining some volunteer experience working for a Private Psychology Practice?

We are looking for undergraduate psychology students interested in doing 4-5 hours of volunteer work per week for our practices, for a 1 year commitment. We are a group of psychologists who specialize in career counselling and industrial/organizational psychology. Our firms are:

Calgary Career Counselling ( www.calgarycareercounselling.com )

Leadership Success Group ( www.leadershipsuccessgroup.com )

We are located in the heart of Kensington, and offer the opportunity to assist with psychology office administration, assessment, editing, research and marketing for our firms. We are looking for a motivated, professional and detail oriented student who has some office and research experience.

If interested, please send your cover letter and resume by email to:

Tanya Murphy, Office Administrator
(403) 261-5085
admin@calgarycareercounselling.com
UNDERGRADUATE CORNER

SIOBHAN ISABELLA REID MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarships are presented annually to a full-time student attending an Alberta University or College. This $1000 scholarship will be awarded to a student enrolled in a program which will lead to that individual being able to assist children and adults with learning disabilities. The student may be enrolled in any faculty of any university or college in Alberta that will lead to achievement of a degree.

The Awards Committee will consider the following in selecting a Recipient of the Reid Scholarship:

- Contribution to community life or campus
- Academic achievement/record
- Perception potential of applicant to contribute to support or research of people living with learning disabilities or ADHD
- Perceived need for proposed program of study
- Overall consideration of quality of applicant

Details and Award Applications at: LDAlberta.ca

WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR PSYCHOLOGY DEGREE

TUESDAY, MARCH 15th - 5-6PM - AD 248

MEMBERSHIP: $5/YEAR
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FOLLOW US ON TWITTER @ PSYCHS_UOFCC
RESEARCH NOTES AND ACTIVITIES

GRANTS AWARDED:

Congratulations to Sophia van Hees, Department of Psychology Postdoctoral Fellow supervised by Andrea Protzner and Penny Pexman, who won an Alberta Innovates Health Solutions Postdoctoral Fellowship, valued at $50,000/year (plus $5,000 research allowance) for 3 years.

RESEARCH PUBLISHED:


Do you have something you would like to include in the Monday Memo newsletter? Please send it to k.macklon@ucalgary.ca before Friday at noon.

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