

on our minds...

from the chair

I have just finished my first year as chair. I'm enjoying the process of dealing with the various challenges--large and small--and I continue to learn, which makes the position exciting. Throughout the year I also managed to squeeze in some research time, and made progress on a new statistics textbook.

The department is moving forward. We are in the middle of a construction project to create new neuroscience labs and to reconfigure the existing departmental library into a multipurpose room, which will still house a subset of the original library collection. We are exploring funding for a new MEG device, which allows for richer collection of ERP data. In the Michigan tradition we are involved in several new initiatives, such as establishing an exchange program with Kyoto University and exploring new research connections in Latin America.

As you will see by the contents of this newsletter, our faculty continue to be productive with research, books and awards. Faculty research is attracting broad media attention, including such national venues as the New York Times, CNN, and morning news programs. The undergraduate program has gone through some restructuring, including the addition of interest clusters. The graduate program has also been busy in developing a new graduate student instructor training program to help GSIs become better teachers, and developing new funding and debit account policies for the graduate students.

This has been a tough year in terms of budget cuts, with the College imposing a hiring freeze. Nevertheless, we were able to find funds to make a few offers, some of which are still under negotiation. We are pleased to welcome three new faculty this September: Patricia Deldin in clinical, Shinobu Kitayama in Social, and Rachael Seidler in Cognition & Perception. Cindy Lustig has recently accepted a position in the Cognition & Perception area, and will begin in September 2004.

We are currently redesigning the departmental website and should launch the new site in early fall. The website will provide expanded content, including a new section for alumni and friends. You'll be able to read "On Our Minds..." online, subscribe to UMPsychNews to stay abreast of current department news and events, and even post alumni news online. We love to stay in touch with our alums, so let us hear from you often!

Finally, we continue to work on development. In particular, the Patricia Gurin Award for graduate funding and the new Eric Bermann Award are high priority efforts. We plan to form a Psychology Advisory Panel; please let me know if you are interested in participating.

All the Best,



Rich Gonzalez

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Honors and Awards

We will be presented with APA's 2003 Suinn Minority Achievement Award on August 7. From the award announcement: *The University of Michigan's Social Psychology program has a strong commitment to cultural inclusion. Additionally, the program provides a number of initiatives believed to be vital to the success of recruitment and retention efforts.* Penelope Espinoza and Denise Sekaquaptewa prepared the nomination, which highlighted that 14 out of 31 program graduates in the last five years were minorities.

Mark the date: August 8 at 5pm, APA Annual Convention in Toronto, Division 46 awards reception. Professor Emeritus Len Eron will receive the first Lifetime Achievement Award for outstanding research in media psychology.

Several publications celebrating Wilbert "Bill" McKeachie were released at the festschrift in his honor: *The Teaching of Psychology: Essays in Honor of Wilbert J. McKeachie and Charles L. Brewer*; and *More than just luck: A brief biography of Wilbert J. McKeachie*.

Administrative Manager Mary Ann Bryant (right) received the Workplace 2003 Outstanding Leadership Award, presented at a luncheon on May 7 by Barbara Butterfield (left), associate vice president and chief human resources officer. Mary Ann was also recently elected as President of the Washtenaw County Audubon Society.

Professor Toni Antonucci received the 2002 Master Mentor Award from the APA.

Professor Phoebe Ellsworth is the 2003 Phi Beta Kappa Faculty Lecturer; and has also been named a Distinguished University Professor.

Assistant Professor Joseph



Rich Gonzalez (center left) congratulates James Jackson (left), Ed Smith (center right) and Richard Nisbett (right), at a reception held March 18 in honor of their election to the Institute of Medicine/National Academy of Sciences. Not pictured: Professor Emeritus Robert Kahn was also honored with election to the Institute of Medicine/NAS in 2002.

Gone has received a fellowship from the Center for the Advancement of Health and the W.K. Kellogg Foundation for the study of health disparities by race, ethnicity, gender and socioeconomic status.

Adjunct Associate Professor James Hansell was elected President-Elect of the Michigan Psychoanalytic Society.

Professor John Holland will be receiving the Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers' Neural-Networks Society Award in June 2004. Watch the website for more information.

Professor John Jonides received the Rackham Distinguished Faculty Achievement Award.

Professor Theresa Lee received an LSA Concentration Advising Award.

Professor Tony Morris received Emeritus status, and his career and retirement were celebrated at a reception this spring.

Associate Professor Carol Mowbray and Assistant Professor Laura Kohn-Wood received a UM Arts of Citizenship award, which is intended to foster publicly engaged, innovative work in the arts, the humanities, and design.

Assistant Professor Nnamdi Pole, received the APA/APAGS Distinguished Graduate Student Award in Professional Psychology. He was

also recipient of the APA Kenneth & Mamie Clark Award.

Professor Patricia Reuter-Lorenz received the Rackham Faculty Recognition Award.

Assistant Professor Margaret Shih received the Positive Psychology Young Scholars Grant.

Professor David Winter received the Henry Murray Award.

Associate Professor Oscar Ybarra received the Gordon Allport Prize from the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues.

Promotions

Sheryl L. Olson to Professor
Donna Kiyo Nagata to Professor

In the News

Adjunct Professor Scott Atran's research on suicide terrorists received media attention from around the globe. His research was published in the journal *Science* and shows that rather than the crazed, impoverished, ignorant cowards they're perceived as, suicide terrorists are as educated and economically well-off as those from the areas where they were raised.

Professor L. Rowell Huesmann and colleagues' longitudinal study of the effects of TV violence on children was published in the March issue of *Developmental Psychology*. Their follow-up revealed that those who preferred more violent shows



as children were also more likely to have behaved aggressively in their personal relationships later in life.

Professor David Meyer's research on multitasking received attention both for its implications for modern worklife as well as for members of the military who must multitask efficiently. The research shows that it is more efficient to do one thing at a time rather than a number of tasks simultaneously, but also shows that there are ways to improve efficiency when one is required to multitask.

The jealousy research of Associate Professor Brenda Volling was included in the BBC Human Instinct series episode entitled *The Will to Win*, which aired in the UK as well as here in the US.

Professor Pamela Trotman Reid's NSF-funded effort GO-GIRL (short for *Gaining Options: Girls Investigate Real Life*) attracted more applications from 7th grade girls in the Detroit area than she had places. As part of the program, undergraduates participate in a service learning course and serve as mentors to the diverse group of 7th graders.

Women Who Think Too Much: How to Break Free of Overthinking and Reclaim Your Life by Professor Susan Nolen-Hoeksema has received excellent reviews and international interest from the media. The book discusses how women especially tend to ruminate on problems which then deepens sadness and makes resolution more difficult. She also covers how to stop this pattern.

Professor Richard Nisbett's book, *The Geography of Thought*, was the subject of a New York Times' book review and broad media attention for its look at the differences between how westerners and Asians perceive their surroundings.

In Memoriam

Awarded the UM Distinguished Research Scientist Award last year, Adjunct Professor **A. Regula Herzog** died July 28, 2002. She was 61.

A native of Zurich, Herzog graduated from the Swiss Technical University in Zurich and, in 1976, received a Ph.D. degree in social psychology from U-M. Herzog's colleagues say her research will have a lasting impact, including her work on the Health and Retirement Study (HRS), one of the nation's largest social science projects.

Professor **Paul Pintrich** died on July 12 of a stroke. Paul was dearly loved and respected by all his friends and colleagues. He is remembered as a kind, generous and thoughtful person and his untimely passing represents an enormous loss for us all. Paul's family has established the Paul Pintrich Education and Psychology Scholarship. Contributions can be made out to the University of Michigan and sent to Laurie Stoianowski (lstoian@umich.edu) at the UM School of Education.

New Faculty Members

Patricia Deldin, Ph.D. (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign), will join our Clinical Area as an Associate Professor. Deldin comes to us from Harvard University. Her research work is to understand the relationship between the brain and behavior in psychopathology. Her primary research program involves a series of recently completed and planned emotional information processing studies designed to distinguish memory, attention, and expectancy dysfunction in major depressives, dysthymics, and controls. Her ERP, fMRI and behavioral studies provide complementary portraits of cognitive and emotional processing associated with depression.

Shinobu Kitayama, Ph.D. (University of Michigan), will join our Social Area as a Professor. He also will have an appointment in the Center for Japanese Studies and ISR's Research Center for Group Dynamics. Kitayama comes to us from Kyoto University in Japan. His research revolves around cultural differences

and similarities in a variety of mental processes such as self, emotion, and cognition. He has focused on comparing people from Asian countries such as Japan, the Philippines, and China with Americans.

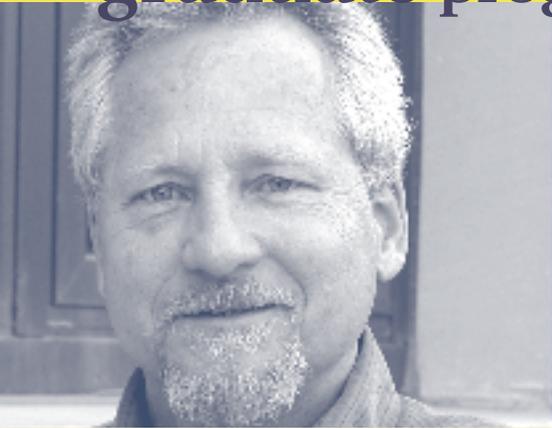
Cindy Lustig, Ph.D. (Duke University), will join our faculty as an Assistant Professor in the Cognition & Perception area in Fall 2004. Lustig's field of study is implicit memory and cognitive aging; she joins us from Washington University in St. Louis, MO.

Rachael Seidler, Ph.D. (Arizona State University), will join our Cognition and Perception Area as an Assistant Professor. She will hold a 50% appointment in Psychology and a 50% appointment in Kinesiology. Dr. Seidler's research is in the area of motor control and skill learning. She uses a variety of methods in her research including the experimental analysis of normal young and elderly adults, special neurological populations (e.g. Parkinson's patients) and neuroimaging techniques to identify the structural and functional bases of motor control.

New Endowment Fund

The **Eric Bermann Research Award Endowment Fund** has recently been established to honor one of our finest faculty. As many of you know, Eric retired in May 2002 after four decades of highly productive work and devotion to many, many students in clinical psychology. The Eric Bermann Award is to be granted annually to facilitate the doctoral dissertation research of a UM predoctoral student in Psychology. Specifically it is to be awarded to the best proposed research on family processes, broadly conceived to include any of an array of possible family focused topics. Please support this important endowment fund. (Your gift may be sent in the enclosed postage paid remittance envelope.)

graduate program update



Scott Paris

This was a busy year of reorganization for the Graduate Office. Lesley Newton completed her first year as program administrator, and oversaw the hiring of Alice Tippery, our new student services assistant. Lesley oversaw moving the Graduate Programs office into a new space, and reorganized the program budgets. Lesley and Alice have done a fantastic job; they are now updating all the records for past students, current students, and alumni, so please keep them posted when you move.

The Graduate Student Council organized a Career Day in January that was attended by 75 graduate students. The Grad Council, led by Wendy Cheng, Cheri Philip, Annemarie McEvoy, Meredith Minear, and Jason Kanov, invited



Bill Jenkins, Michelle Segar, and Enrique Neblett present their research to incoming students.



relatively new PhDs in various areas of psychology--from both academic and non-academic career tracks--to meet with graduate students. They described a variety of career options and explained how to prepare for each. We are very pleased with the event's success.

In a similar vein, the Recruitment Weekend in March was successful thanks to the hard work of graduate students who hosted our potential new students. Pat Gurin Scholars Bill Jenkins, Michelle Segar, and Enrique Neblett (pictured below) gave invited research addresses to the new students, and they were quite impressive. We are delighted that 31 new graduate students will join us at Michigan in September.

The Graduate Office created and implemented a system of debit accounts for graduate students this year so that financial support is equitable and available when students need the funds. We also provided more support for GSI training through CRLT workshops and a new course on teaching and learning, taught initially last winter by Professor Ann Merriwether who helped design the Psychology Teaching Academy for the Graduate Program.

This was a busy and productive year for the Graduate Program, but we are organized and ready for an even better year ahead. The candy jar is always full so stop by whenever you are in East Hall!

Scott Paris

2002-03 Ph.D. Graduates, We Wish You All the Best!

Mark Akiyama
Charles Behensky
Emily Chan
Penelope Espinoza
David Fencsik
Lisa Jackson
Matthew Jones
Jennifer Kittler
Takahiko Masuda
Joseph Mikels
Eleanor Murphy
Tiffany Murray
Yohance Murray
Heather Pond
Cynthia Ramirez
Christy Ramon
Sheila Reynolds
Jason Riis
Krista Scottham
Allison Smith
Tracy Steen
Michael Tschirhart
Jason Uslander
Tor Wager
Monica Worline



Major Fellowships and Awards

APA Dissertation Research Award

Akane Zusho (CPEP)

APA Fellowship

Glenetta Hudson (Clin)

APA Minority Fellowship

Deborah Rivas (CPEP)

Clyde Hamilton Coombs Scholarship

Michael MacKenzie (S/W&Dev)

Dissertation /Thesis Grant

Melanie Overby (Dev), Mark Hager (CPEP), Tracy Steen (Clin), Jennifer Amsterlaw (Dev), Allison Smith (Pers), Jason Riis (C&P), Christy Ramon (Soc), Nicole Gardner (Dev), Cynthia Ramirez (Clin), Aryn Froum (Clin), Eleanor Murphy (Clin)

Patricia Gurin Award

Kathi Miner-Rubino (Pers&WS)

Hough Summer Research Fellowship

Sandy Lim (Org),
Wendy Treynor (Soc)

Institute for Research on Women and Gender Research Award

Janna Kim (Dev)

Daniel Katz Dissertation Fellowship

Jan Leu (Soc)

Jane Gibson Likert Scholar

Camille Ward (Bio),
Janice Habarth (Clin)

Marquis Award

Ki Goosens (Bio)

Michigan Society of Fellows

Adam Krawitz (C&P)

National Institute on Drug Abuse, Predoctoral Fellow

Anna Samaha (Bio)

NIMH Fellows in Violence & Mental Health across the Lifespan

Diane Lynn Miller (S/W&Gen)

National Research Service Award from National Institute Health

James Nelson (C&P)

Barbara A. Oleshansky Award

Erika Bauer (Bio), Breanne Fahs (Clin/WS), Shawna Lee (SW/Psych), Amy Kiefer (Social)

2002 Positive Psychology Summit Student Award

Christian Waugh

Power Fellowship

Tracee Washington (Clin),
Josh Cohen (Clin)

Rackham Distinguished Dissertation Award

Ki Goosens (Bio)

Rackham One Term

Mark Akiyama (Pers), David Fencsik (C&P), Emily Chan (Soc), Laura Citrin (Soc-W/S), Aryn Froum (Clin), Jennifer Kittler (Clin), Taka Masuda (Soc), Tiffany Murray (Pers), Jason Riis (C&P), Charles Behensky (C&P), Monica Worline (Org), Eleanor Murphy (Clin), Tracy Steen (Clin)

Rackham Outstanding GSI

Bill Jenkins (BioPsych), Paul Hamilton (C&P)

Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship

Adrian Willoughby (C&P),
Karen Chen (Social)

Barbara Perry Roberson Award

A. Caruthers (Dev), Chi-Ying Cheng (Org), H.F. Chua (C&P), Wendy Cheng (Clin), J. Clark (Dev), J. Friede (Ed/Psych), H. Halabu (Clin), J. Haritatos (Pers), Y. Harlap (S/W-Psych), S. Jesseau (Bio), L. Kachorek (Clin), J. Konik (Pers/WS), D. Sanchez (Soc/WS), & R. Stotzer (SW/Psych)

Sims Award

Jessica Garrett (CPEP)

Incoming Graduate Students

Biopsychology

Nicole Grissom
Stephen Mahler
Rebecca Trisko
Shih-Jen Weng
Wei Zhao

Clinical

HyeIn Chang
Lindsey Combs
Rosalind Oti
Amy (Hui-Ying) Tsai

Cognition & Perception

Alexandria Atkins
Lillian Chen
Michael Franklin
Yanni Liu (dual)
Derek Nee

Developmental

Jennifer LaBounty
Christine Legare
Yanni Liu (dual)
Besangie Sellars
Medha Tare

Organizational

Grant Adam
Sandoval Brian

Personality

Sundari Balan
Steven Stanton
Rhonda White

Social

Toshie Imada
Katherine Knight
Hyunjin Song

Psychology & Social Work

Dana Levin (Biopsychology)
Elizabeth Meier (Developmental)

Psychology & Women's Studies

Michelle Gross (Clinical)
Jennifer Yim (Personality)

Education & Psychology

Jacob Blachowicz
Marina Epstein
Jonathan Flukes
Annemarie Hindman
Georges Potworowski
Richard Vath

Congratulations!

undergraduate update



Brenda Volling

The Undergraduate Office had a busy year implementing many changes. Fall 2002 marked the beginning of the "new" psychology concentration. Students are now required to take more credit hours--a total of 34--and more upper level course credit hours in order to receive a degree in psychology.

New undergraduate Interest Clusters have been designed to complement undergraduate concentration plans. Evidenced by the range of faculty research interests, psychology as a discipline is very diverse. These interests range from recent advances in cognitive neuroscience, the development of racial identity, the various factors that facilitate self esteem, the benefits of positive emotions for well-being and health, psychopathology in children and adults, young children's understanding of others' minds, and the cultural contexts in which individuals live, work and achieve, as just a few examples. Our undergraduates want to pursue different areas of study while completing their concentration plans here at the university. To support this effort, the department now offers a sampling of many different Interest Clusters that focus on specific areas of study in psychology (e.g., developmental psychopathology; cognitive and behavioral neuroscience; intergroup relations; language, thought, and society; health, development and aging; law and forensics). Each Interest Cluster outlines a series of courses

both within and outside psychology that address the topic of interest. As students develop their concentration plans, they are encouraged to utilize these course listings to receive the benefits of a multidisciplinary education. To see the complete listing of Undergraduate Interest Clusters, visit the department's website.

This year we witnessed increased enrollment in our Honors program for Psychology and for Biopsychology and Cognitive Science concentrators. The new model for the Honors program is an apprenticeship where students work with a faculty mentor on an independent study in research. Students interested in Honors are encouraged to become involved in research early in their studies through lab courses and research opportunities in faculty labs. Then, the student and faculty member apply together to the Honors program, and work collaboratively on a research project, culminating in an Honors thesis. Honors students continue to meet as a group as they prepare their theses, and an award ceremony is held in April. This year, the Albert Cain Travel Award was initiated. Dr. Cain directed the Honors Program for many years, and the department instituted the travel award to honor his efforts to inspire Honors students. At Dr. Cain's request, the \$250 award is given to an Honors student to help offset the costs of presenting their research at any professional scientific conference. This first recipient was Mary (Molly) Pachan, who presented her research with mentor Laura Kohn-Wood on the role of anger in depression at the annual conference of the American Psychological Society.

This past fall we also had a Psychology Concentration Fair in the atrium of East Hall. This half-day event was designed to provide any interested student with information about the psychology concentration at UM. Booths were set up for the various student organizations and

information on a host of topics was made available to students ranging from taking GRE's, to applying to grad school, to what life is like after you get your psychology degree. The concentration fair was a big success and we plan on continuing this event on an annual basis. Finally, this year we started hosting Undergraduate Coffee Hours, which were co-sponsored by the undergraduate office and several of the undergraduate psychology student groups. Designated faculty from diverse research backgrounds were invited to meet with students at a local coffee shop to discuss career and professional issues. Students enjoyed the informal atmosphere of these small gatherings so we will consider continuing these next year.

Finally, a new name for the Biopsychology and Cognitive Science concentration--Brain, Behavior and Cognitive Sciences--should take effect in Fall 2004.

Our office staff, many of whom were new in the past year, did a great job handling the many changes in our programs while continuing to serve our students and faculty in an outstanding manner. A big thank you goes to our office team: Jill Fichialos (Office Administrator), Brian Wallace, Betsy Waldrop, Kate Reynolds, Amanda Gaytan and Jennifer Catey!

We want to know what's happening with you, too! Please complete the Alumni Update form and send it in the enclosed envelope, or send e-mail to psychnews@umich.edu with your update. Starting this fall, you'll be able to update us and your friends by submitting your news directly to the website in the new alumni and friends section.

Bravo!

Undergraduate Awards

Albert Cain Honors Travel Award
Mary (Molly) Pachan

W. B. Pillsbury Prize
Sarah Jelinek and David Aizenberg

Anne Rudo Memorial Award
Katherine Cashen

Muenzer Memorial Award
Courtney Bonam and Erin Birkam

Tanner Memorial Award
Casey Lindberg



Honors Program Coordinator Colleen Seifert thanks outgoing Coordinator Beth Veinott for her service to the Psychology Honors Program. The Undergraduate Awards listed here were presented at the April luncheon for this year's graduating honors students.

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alumni news

We received a wonderfully overwhelming response to our request for alumni news, so here are just a few highlights. Please visit the website, where we will post all the news you've sent. You will soon be able to submit class notes to us online. Please continue to stay in touch with us: snail-mail, e-mail, phone calls and photos—we welcome news of you any way you'd like to send it! And of course we'd love to see you, too, so stop by when you're in Ann Arbor.

1960's Marc Pilisuk, Ph.D.'61, Clinical and Personality/Social: I have served on faculty at University of California, Berkeley and Davis, Saybrook Graduate School and Research Center; am President of Division 48, Society for Study of Peace, Conflict and Violence, Steering Committee of Psychologists for Social Responsibility. Current work is in violence prevention, ecological psychology, globalization, sustainable development, peace and justice, social support networks and health. I send my fondest wishes and congratulations to my classmate Pat Gurin.

Joseph Morris, Ph.D.'68, Education & Psychology: In the summer of 2002, I worked with Global Volunteers, tutoring children in a small mountain village in Crete.

1970's Walter Swap, Ph.D.'71, Social: I have been at Tufts the entire time since leaving UM. I have chaired the Psychology Department for 7 years, and served as Dean for nearly 10. I will be retiring in 2003.

Carol Mowbray, Ph.D.'75, Developmental: I worked as a program analyst and administrator for the Michigan Department of Mental Health, and had an appointment in psychology at Michigan State University. After 15 years with the state, I came to academia—first to Wayne State and now at UM, where I have been associate professor, associate dean for research, professor and now a NIMH Research Center director.

Paul Zuckerman, Ph.D.'76, Developmental: I am artistic director and producer of Chicago City

Limits, New York City's longest running comedy revue. I also lead team building and idea generation sessions, and conduct focus groups among consumers and industry.

1980's Steven Tuber, Ph.D.'81, Clinical: I have been full professor and director of the doctoral program in Clinical Psychology at City College, City University of New York since 1992.

1990's M.C. Holden Ko, Ph.D.'98, Biopsychology: I am currently an assistant research scientist in the Department of Pharmacology at UM. I received the Wyeth-Ayerst Young Psychopharmacologist Award from APA, Division 28 at the 110th Annual Convention of the APA in Chicago last year.

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