People

Dr. Toby Martin has accepted our offer of the tenure-track faculty position in Applied Behaviour Analysis. Pending final approval by the Board of Governors, he will join our ranks officially starting July 1. Toby brings valuable expertise in knowledge translation to our department, in addition to his skill and experience as a researcher and teacher in the ABA area. The position is shared equally between the University of Manitoba and St.Amant, and as a part of our ongoing partnership, Toby will also be serving as Director of the St.Amant Research Centre.

Dr. Corey Mackenzie has received promotion to the rank of Professor. His promotion was approved by the Board of Governors and became effective March 30, 2015.

Welcome & congratulations, Toby and Corey!

Grants

All of us were 1-year-olds once, absorbing our first language from the speech of adults and other kids in our environment. Supported by a 5-year SSHRC Insight Grant, beginning in April 2015, Dr. Melanie Soderstrom and students in the Baby Language Lab will use new (LENA) technology to record and compare the language environments of three child-care settings: homes, home-based day cares, and child care centres.

Think of some past events of your life. When did they happen? How long did they last? Dr. Jason Leboe-McGowan has received a 5-year NSERC Discovery Grant to study systematic sources of error in human memory for temporal features of past events.

What do we know about the post-secondary learning experiences of First Nations, Metis, and Inuit peoples of Canada? Dr. Amy DeJaeger, together with co-investigators Dr. Frank Deer and Dr. Lori Wilkinson, has received a SSHRC Knowledge Synthesis Grant to study this question in summer 2015.

Welcome & congratulations, Toby and Corey!
Events

Come to the 2015 Honours Dinner in hearty celebration of all of our honours graduates in Psychology this year! The gala will unfold on Friday, April 24, in Marshall McLuhan Hall (University Centre), beginning with a Cash Bar at 6:00pm, followed by Dinner at 7:00 pm. Tickets are $20.00 and available from Sue Law -- only until April 21.

Publications

Check out the latest findings in Social Psychology!


Vorauer, J. D., & Quesnel, M. (in press). Don’t bring me down: Divergent effects of being the target of empathy versus perspective-taking on minority group members’ perceptions of their group’s social standing. Group Processes and Intergroup Relations.

Prizes

The Vineberg Prize, awarded annually since 1960, recognizes the best research paper lead-authored by a graduate student in Psychology. Congratulations to Kate Williamson who receives this award in 2015.

The Alumni Clinical Psychology Student Research Prize recognizes scholarly and scientific achievements by a student in the Clinical Psychology program. Congratulations to Maia Kredentser who receives this award in 2015.

The Marion and Morgan Wright Award recognizes excellence by a graduate student in clinical work. Congratulations to Damien Dowd who receives this award in 2015.

Congratulations to the following undergraduate students who won a University of Manitoba Undergraduate Research Award for summer 2015:

Kenny Chee (advisor: Dr. Morry)
Matthew Cook (advisor: Dr. Jamieson)
Ian Thomson (advisor: Dr. Chipperfield)
Katrina Zmavc (advisor: Dr. Ivanco)

The next issue of Head’s Up! will appear on Monday, April 27, 2015. News to relate? Don’t hesitate! Send it to Sue at sue.law@umanitoba.ca