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**Head of School Report**

2007 was a more settled year than those preceding it. Apart from some ongoing problems with the air conditioning, the refurbishments to Brennan-McCallum and Griffith-Taylor have provided a much more aesthetically pleasing environment and allowed some expansion of laboratory space. The new staff common room is reasonably well-used, particularly for morning tea on Tuesday “cake days”! The new open-plan post-graduate accommodation required some adjustment on the part of the students occupying it but is generally agreed to have facilitated social cohesion amongst them – particularly once it was agreed that the kitchen area would be closed off to provide a retreat for people to talk without disrupting others. There have also been some teething problems in the refurbished Animal House, particularly associated with re-initiating the breeding program. Nevertheless, the overall outcome of the refurbishment is a considerable improvement on our previous accommodation and the relative consolidation of the School it has achieved is facilitating interaction and cohesion. The two areas of the School’s accommodation that still require attention are the Clinical Psychology Unit in the Transient Building which is bursting at the seams now that the DCP enrolment has increased and Top South Badham which looks very shabby by comparison with the refurbished areas. Efforts are being made to have both areas refurbished and to secure additional space since we are now close to bursting point again.

There have also been fewer staffing changes than in the last few years. New academic positions were taken up by Dr David Hawes, Dr Niko Tiliopolous and Dr Ilona Juraskova, in the areas of clinical psychology, personality and health psychology respectively. We were also delighted that Judy Hyde joined us as Clinic Director. Our long-term Manager of Student Administration, Anne Kwan, sadly resigned to return to Hong Kong but we were fortunate in appointing Kapila Wimalaratne who has been working very hard to get on top of this very demanding and pressured role and applying his considerable IT experience to streamlining our procedures. We were also pleased to have Julia Ashworth return from her maternity leave. Fiona Hibberd was promoted to Senior Lecturer and Louise Sharpe to Associate Professor.

Our staffing was also increased by a number of new research-only staff funded by external fellowships – Professor Bart Anderson who was awarded a prestigious ARC Australian Professorial Fellowship, Drs John Cass and Evan Livesey on ARC Postdoctoral Fellowships, Dr Ehsan Arabzadeh on a Human Frontiers Fellowship and Dr Hisham Abu-Rayya on a University Postdoctoral Fellowship. A number of existing staff were also successful in securing external support to shift to research-focused positions: Prof Phyllis Butow and A/Prof Louise Sharpe secured NH&MRC Principal and Senior Research Fellowships, respectively; Dr Marc de Rosnay was awarded an ARC Postdoctoral Fellowship and Dr Ilona Juraskova received a Cancer Institute Career Development Fellowship. These various successes bring our number of externally-funded research staff to 11, consistent with the Faculty’s target of 25% research-only staff and clear testimony to the School’s very strong research performance.

2007 was also another very successful year for research grants with 7 new ARC grants and 6 new NH&MRC grants – success rates of 58% and 40% respectively, well above the national average and among the highest for Australian Psychology departments. Staff were also successful in their applications to a number of other competitive funding agencies including the Department of Gaming and Racing, Cancer Council NSW and Cancer Institute NSW, the Garnett Passe and Rodney Williams Memorial Foundation and the Queensland Office of Gaming Regulation. Other research-related achievements include the establishment of the Centre for Medical Psychology and Evidence-based Decision-making, a cross-Faculty initiative led by Professor Phyllis Butow in collaboration with staff from Public Health and Medicine and the creation of a Chair in Quality of Life funded by Cancer Australia. Two
staff received prestigious awards: A/Prof Louise Sharpe received the Ian M. Campbell Memorial Award from the Australian Psychological Society’s College of Clinical Psychologists for excellence in clinical psychology and Prof Iain McGregor received an NH&MRC Achievement Award for his contributions to research on the psychopharmacology of “party drugs”.

In the area of teaching and learning, our undergraduate enrolments remained strong and student feedback on units was very positive, apart from concerns about the timeliness of feedback that we are attempting to address in various ways. The CPU staff coped admirably with the pressures created by the increased enrolments in the Doctorate of Clinical Psychology and the reduced client recruitment rate being experienced by all university Psychology Clinics with the introduction of Medicare rebates. Unfortunately the planned refurbishments to the Transient Building to accommodate the increased enrolments have been delayed creating considerable space pressure for the first-year student cohort.

Our vibrant and productive staff also demonstrated their productivity in other ways – David Hawes and Louise Sharpe both had new babies and Keiko Narushima is cooking another one. With the large number of toddlers already associated with the School we are providing plenty of fuel for the infant research laboratory that Marc de Rosnay has been working hard to establish.

Thus, over 2007 the School has successful sustained and enhanced the momentum established over the past few years and further expanded our profile. As always, these achievements depend on the commitment and skills of our support staff – the IT/technical team ably led by John Holden, the student administration staff in both the General Office and the Clinic, Sandra Cheng and Grace Gong who manage our complicated finances and other administration needs so conscientiously and efficiently and Sadhana Raju who cheerfully and effectively oversees all our marketing activities – among many other things. Our success is also testimony to our outstanding academic staff and postgraduate students. I am very proud to lead such a vibrant, successful and collegial team.

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Research Interests
The central focus of my research is on lexical processing and its relationship to reading skill: how do skilled language users represent and retrieve their knowledge about the words; how do these cognitive capabilities develop; and how does lexical processing contribute to reading skill. My current ARC-funded research on these issues is investigating the role of “lexical expertise” in skilled reading. Lexical experts are conceptualized as having precise, redundant representations of written words that allow them to retrieve their meanings of words quickly and effortlessly. This facilitates reading comprehension by freeing up attentional resources so that they can be directed towards the integrative processes required for comprehension. I have been defining lexical expertise as effective reading comprehension in combination with accurate spelling. A series of priming experiments have supported my hypothesis that Good Readers/Good Spellers have more precise lexical representations by showing that, as well as being faster and more accurate at identifying words, they show less priming from similar words than those who are poorer at either reading comprehension, spelling or both. I am now extending this research to investigate the role of lexical expertise in sentence processing.

I am also a member of a research team jointly funded by the ARC and three fire services to apply knowledge and methods derived from cognitive psychology to develop effective methods for training firefighters. Vanessa Loh’s PhD research, which is funded by this grant, is investigating how individual differences in cognitive and personality attributes modulates the effectiveness of different methods of training people to perform a complex firefighting simulation task.

Grants
2004-7
Project Title: Training for adaptability: The role of errors, exceptions and rules of thumb.
Funding Body: Australian Research Council Linkage grant

2006-8
Recipient: S. Andrews ($202,500)
Project Title: Lexical expertise and reading skill: An experimental analysis of individual differences in written language proficiency
Funding Body: Australian Research Council

2004-8
Recipient: S. Andrews, R. Dale & D. Burnham ($2,000,000)
Project Title: Enabling Human Communication
Funding Body: Australian Research Council

Publications


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Other Publications

Research Supervision
Martin Daly PhD A new theoretical framework for psychology
Vanessa Loh PhD The impact of individual differences on skill training
Kristi Paul PhD Lexical expertise and reading skill
Rhianna Shi PhD Lexical representation in Chinese

Research Related Professional Activities
Membership of Editorial Boards
Associate Editor, Memory & Cognition
Editorial Board, Psychological Review
Editorial Board, Journal of Memory and Language
Editorial Board, Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning Memory & Cognition

Manuscript Reviewing
Memory & Cognition (approx. 30)
Psychological Review (5)
Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology (2)
Cognitive Psychology (1)
Psychonomic Bulletin & Review (1)

Grant Reviewing
Australian Research Council (6)
National Health and Medical Research Council (1)
National Science Foundation USA (1)
Israel Science Foundation (1)
External Theses Examination
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Member: Australian Experimental Psychological Society
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Professor Alex Blaszczynski

Research Interests

• Pathological Gambling: Epidemiological studies indicate that approximately 2% to 5% of adults meet criteria for pathological gambling. I have advanced an integrated pathway model incorporating cognitive, experiential and biological factors describing the etiology and three possible subtypes of this condition. Current research is directed toward the development of a screen to identify specific pathological gambling subtypes, and to fully understand the construct of the disorder and cognitive belief structures that maintain persistence in gambling. Structural characteristics of electronic gaming machines and their role in causing impaired control will be investigated. The effectiveness of warning signs in moderating irrational cognitions and gambling behaviour is being evaluated.

• Impulse Control Behaviours: Impaired control is the central feature of this category of repetitive behaviours. However, the role of impulsivity and the specific reinforcement derived from behaviours that are associated with negative consequences remains unclear. I am planning studies that will explore the similarities and differences in traits of impulsivity and cognitions between various impulse control disorders.

• Measurement of Irrational Beliefs: The cognitive model of gambling is based on the assumption that irrational and erroneous beliefs contribute to the onset and maintenance of pathological gambling behaviours. I am interested in determining if pathological gamblers manifest irrational beliefs prior to gambling (predisposition) or if such cognitions emerge as a consequence of their experiences.

• Post Traumatic Stress: Post traumatic stress reactions commonly follow trauma but only a minority experience a post traumatic disorder. Identification of traits and vulnerability factors are important in the early detection of those at risk for PTSD. Personality traits and cognitive schemas may act as resilience factors. The SPARS model is currently being tested in group of patients sustaining road trauma.

Internet: Internet addiction is becoming growing concern. I am currently exploring the relationship between emerging technologies and addictive type behaviours, and comparing the similarities of psychometric measures completed on-line versus paper and pencil with respect to the disclosure of sensitive substance use behaviours.

Grants

Recipient: Alex Blaszczynski
Project Title: Differences in attitudes toward money between subgroups of gamblers: Implications for smart-card technologies and an exploration of the Tool and Drug Theories of Money in gambling.
Funding Body: Queensland Government Treasury.

Publications


Conference Abstracts/Presentations

Other Publications


Research Supervision
Blake Hamilton  DCP/MSc  Assessment of at-risk mental states for psychosis in young Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people using the CAARMS

Sharifa N. Syed Abu Bakar  DCP/MSc  The impact of problem gambling on the current psychological health of spouses and children. The differential impact of paternal vs maternal problem gambling on the physical and psychological health of spouses and children.

Margaret Walker  DCP/MSc  Shame in childhood sexual assault is a mediating factor for cognitive deficits.

Catherine Chudleigh  PhD  Characterising social functioning and social disability in young people at risk of developing psychosis

Marija Namouska  DCP/MSc  Exploring risk and resilience to Posttraumatic Stress Disorder: Does trait self-enhancement foster or impede adaptive resilience to PTSD?

Sally Monaghan  PhD  Responsible gaming messages on simulated electronic gaming machines: Impact on recall, cognitions and intent to play.

Samantha Fearns  PhD  A qualitative investigation of psychosocial factors and the process of psychological change throughout treatment in orthognathic surgery patients

Juliette Drohny  PhD  Development of a measure to assess patients’ knowledge and beliefs underpinning cognitive behaviour therapy for Panic Disorder and Agoraphobia

Research Related Professional Activities
Membership of Editorial Boards
Member, International Advisory Board, Electronic Journal of Gambling Issues.
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**Manuscript Reviewing**
Journal of Addiction Medicine (1)
International Gambling Studies (1)
Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology (2)
Spanish Journal of Psychology (1)
Journal of Behavioral Decision Making (1)
International Journal of Mental Health and Addiction (1)
Psychology of Addictive Behaviors (1)
Addiction Theory and Research (1)
Journal of Gambling Studies (1)
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Personality and Individual Differences (1)
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Member: Australian Psychological Society
Member and Australian Psychological Representative on the Motor Accident Authority of NSW
Working Party on the Anxiety Management in PTSD Guideline Project
Member: Expert Consultative Committee, Crown Casino
Advisory Board Member, of the Department of Mental Health and Addiction, The International Institute of Health Studies

**Other Contributions**
- Problem gambling. St. Vincent de Paul Society special presentation, 7th March, St. Patrick’s Church, Sydney.
- Treatment and assessment in pathological gambling. Gambling Interest Group, Liverpool Mental Health Centre, Liverpool Hospital.
- Impulse control disorders. Department of Medical Psychology, 18 May, Westmead Hospital.
Professor Phyllis Butow

Research Interests
My research interests are within the field of Health Psychology, including psychological impact of disease, factors influencing coping and adjustment to disease, evaluation of health services, health education and behavioural interventions, measurement, evaluation and interventions within health professional-patient communication, predictors of treatment compliance, psychometric measurement and test development.

Current Appointments

- NHMRC Principal Research Fellow, University of Sydney
- Director, Medical Psychology Research Unit, University of Sydney
- Co-Director, Surgical Outcomes Research Centre, Central Sydney Area Health Service and University of Sydney
- Clinical Professor, Dept of Psychological Medicine, University of Sydney.

Grants


Butow P, Ussher J, Batt G, Wain G, Sundquist K, Charles M. ARC Linkage Grant. LP0562095. *Meeting the needs of cancer support group leaders.* 2005: $45,000; 2006: $90,000; 2007: $70,000; 2008: $25,000. (5%)


Butow P. NHMRC *Principal Research Fellowship* (level B) 457093. 2007-2011. $127,000 per year. (100%)


Mullan B, Butow P. University of Sydney Cancer Research Fund. *Brain-body interaction: Randomised control trial of physical activity (Medical Qigong) for cancer patients.* 2007: $49,397; 2008: $49,398. (5%)
Barratt A, Tattersall M, Trevena L, Del Mar C, Butow P, Carey-Hazell K, McGeechan K. Foundation for Informed Medical Decision Making, USA). (Grant #0097-1) A randomized controlled trial of consumers asking questions to prompt clinicians to discuss and apply evidence to their care. 2007-2008. $110,000 (5%)

Publications

Book

Book Chapters

Journal Articles


Rodriguez KL, Gambino FJ, Butow PN, Hagerty RG, Arnold RM. 'It's going to shorten your life': framing of oncologist-patient communication about prognosis. Psychooncology. 2007 June 18; [Epub ahead of print]. IF=2.772


Saunders C. Girgis A. Butow P. Crossing S. Penman A. Beyond scientific rigour: funding cancer research of public value. Health Policy. 84(2-3):234-42, 2007


**Conference Abstracts/Presentations**

**International**


**Australian**
White K, Herz H, Butow P and Kiernan M. Letter on future care: development of a disease-specific future care plan for MND Presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the MND Research Institute of Australia (MNDRIA) 31/10/-07.

**Research Supervision**

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<td>Rachel Zordan</td>
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<td>A randomised controlled trial to evaluate minimal versus intense interventions to support leaders of cancer support groups</td>
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Research Related Professional Activities

Membership of Editorial Boards
Patient Education and Counselling
Psycho-Oncology

Manuscript Reviewing
Patient Education and Counselling (5)
Psycho-Oncology (3)
JCO (3)
Soc Sci Med (2)

Grant Reviewing
NHMRC Project grants (4)

External Theses Examination
University of Sydney – PhD (2)

Professional Affiliations
Member of Research Advisory Committee: Cancer Australia (2006-)
Member: Information Advisory Group, National Breast and Ovarian Cancer Centre (2005-)
Chair: Communication Skills Working Group, National Breast and Ovarian Cancer Centre (2000-)
Member of Research Committee: Cancer Council NSW (2001-2007)
Member: Scientific Advisory Group, Pam Maclean Communication Skills Training Centre, Royal North Shore Hospital (2000-)
Member of NHMRC Project Grant Review Panel 2007
Chair Psychosocial Working Group: Kathleen Cunningham Consortium for Research into Familial Breast Cancer Cancer (KConFab)
Member: Patient Support Working Group, Cancer Institute NSW/ CCNSW
Member of Board: International Psycho-Oncology Society (IPOS)
Chair: Psycho-Oncology Research Co-operative Group (2005-)

Other Contributions
Invited Plenaries International
Butow P. ECCO (European CanCer Organisation Conference, 23-25 September Barcelona Spain. Discussing Prognosis

Invited Address in Australia
University of Sydney Dean of Science Lecture: Shared Decision-Making
ANZBCTG Annual Conference: Informed Consent
Dept of Health and Aging Ethics Committee training: Informed Consent

Workshops Delivered
National Breast Cancer Centre: Communication skills train the trainer
National Breast Cancer Centre: Communication skills training for Oncology health professionals (3)
Cancer Institute Basic Sciences in Oncology Course: Informed consent
Professor Iain S. McGregor

Research Interests
I have broad research interests in the areas of neuroscience and psychopharmacology. I am particularly interested in assessing the long-term effects of addictive drugs and alcohol on behaviour and brain function. I am also interested in the development of animal models of anxiety disorders and depression and in the pharmacological treatment of these disorders. The sense of smell (olfaction) and the behavioral and neural effects of pheromones are other major research interests.

Grants
2006-2008  Learning about threats: the neural and behavioural response to predator-related cues in rodents. ARC discovery grant. ($149,000)
2006-2008  Cannabis re-intoxication: the causes and consequences of THC release from fat stores into blood. NH&MRC project grant (with Dr Jonathon Arnold) ($255,000)
2005-2007  Age-dependent effects of cannabinoids on emotion, cognition and vulnerability to addiction. Australian Research Council grant (with Dr Paul Mallet) ($225,000)
2005-2007  Ecstasy, methamphetamine and their combination: assessment of adverse effects. National Health and Medical Research Council grant (with Dr Glenn Hunt) ($379,000)
2007-2008  Evaluation of sigma receptor polyclic molecules in treating brain disease. University of Sydney Sydnovate Seeding Grant (with A/Prof Michael Kassiou and Prof Maxwell Bennett) ($50,000)

Publications


**Conference Presentations/Abstracts**


*Oxytocin involvement in the acute and long-terms of MDMA (Ecstasy): studies with laboratory rats.* Invited presentation given to the World Congress on Neurohypophyseal Hormones (WCNH). Regensburg, Germany, September 2007.

*Cannabinoid Impairment Of Auditory Go/No-Go Discrimination Performance And The Reversal of Olfactory Go/No-Go Discriminations In Rats.* Presentation given to the European Behavioural Pharmacology Society (EBPS) meeting, Tubingen, Germany, September 2007.

*Rats discriminate individual cats by their odor.* Invited talk given to International Ethological Congress (IEC), Halifax, Canada, August 2007.


Other Publications

Research Supervision
Lauren Staples  PhD  Cat odour-induced anxiety in rats
Murray Thompson  PhD  Lasting effects of MDMA
Garth Hargreaves  PhD  The beer model of excessive alcohol intake
Ljiljana Sokolic  PhD  Olfactory discrimination and olfactory learning
Petra van Nieuwenhuijzen  PhD  Gamma-hydroxybutyrate (GHB): effects of brain and behaviour
Nathan Gunasekaran  PhD  Reintoxication effects with cannabis
(Pharmacology Dept)

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Alcohol and Alcoholism (1)
Biological Psychiatry (3)
Behavioural Neuroscience (1)
Journal of Neuroscience (1)
Progress in Neuropsychopharmacology and Biological Psychiatry (2)
Naunyn Schmiedeberg’s Archives of Pharmacology (1)
Neuropsychopharmacology (3)
Neuroscience (3)
Pharmacology, Biochemistry and Behavior (1)
Physiology and Behavior (2)
Proteomics (1)
Psychopharmacology (2)

Grant Reviewing
NHMRC Project Grants (3)

External Theses Examination
1 x DCP thesis (Monash University)

Professional Affiliations
Member: Australian Neuroscience Society
Member: Society for Neuroscience (USA)
Member: International Behavioural Neuroscience Society (USA)
Member: European Behavioral Pharmacology Society
Member: Addiction Neuroscience Network Australia

Other Contributions
• Recipient of inaugural NHMRC achievement award from Nicola Roxon, December 2007.
• Best presentation prize, European Behavioural Pharmacology Society meeting, Germany 2007.
• Member of Australian Psychological Society (APS) working party: Prescription Privileges for Clinical Psychologists.
• Organised and chaired a symposium at University of Sydney (20th July 2007): “Party Drugs, Brain and Behaviour” featuring an array of top national and international speakers.
• Colloquium given at Department of Psychiatry, University of Chicago: “Loved up lab rats: the role of oxytocin in the short and long-term effects of MDMA (Ecstasy)”.

Media
• New Scientist (July 2007): Adolescent rats enjoy cannabis more than their elders (a story about our recent research on the effects of THC on adolescent versus adult rats).
• Stoned young rats fail memory tests (July 2007) (ABC News website take on the same story).
• How cannabis turns young rats into dope-heads (July 2007) (Sydney Morning Herald).
• New Scientist (April 2007): Ecstasy really does unleash the love hormone (a story about recent research on the role of Oxytocin in mediating the prosocial effects of MDMA).
• Love rats reveal agony of ecstasy (April 2007) (Sydney Morning Herald take on the oxytocin story).
• Comments on lethality of Ecstasy tablets (February 2007) (Sun-Herald)
• Marijuana: the myths and misconceptions (January 2007) (ABC radio "Big Ideas" debate on the hazards of cannabis, featuring Iain McGregor)
Professor Stephen Touyz

Research Interests
My major research interests are in the areas of clinical psychology, psychiatry, neuropsychology and behavioural medicine. I have gained strong international recognition for studies reporting on body image disturbance in patients with anorexia and bulimia nervosa as well as specific aspects relating to the treatment of these disorders. My pioneering work on operant conditioning programmes in the treatment of anorexia nervosa led to a change as to how such patients were treated worldwide.

Grants
Does inpatient weight restoration prior to outpatient family therapy improve outcomes in adolescent anorexia nervosa? National Health and Medical Research Council Project Grant (2007 – 2010). $528,000 (with James Locke, Daniel Le Grange, Sloane Madden, Michael Kohn and Paul Rhodes).


Publications
Chapter in Books & Articles in Scientific Journals


Psychiatry, 41: 351-358.


Conference Presentations/Abstracts


Research Supervision
Sloane Madden PhD Does inpatient weight restoration prior to outpatient family therapy improve outcomes in adolescent anorexia nervosa.

Sarah Maguire PhD Staging Anorexia Nervosa.

Jessica Swinbourne PhD The co-morbidity between eating disorders and anxiety disorders.

Natalie Crino PhD Metacognition and eating disorders
Patricia Kieszak  PhD  Sociocultural influence on body image and eating disorders in Polish, Polish Australian and Australian women.

Robyn Vines  PhD  Clinical Psychology in the rural general practice

Christine Wearne (ST is the Associate Supervisor)  PhD  An investigation of the interpersonal basis of anorexia nervosa, and the development of a scale to measure anorexic perfectionism and autonomy

Jonathan Osbourne  MSc  Does a prior history of PTSD contribute to dementia symptomatology in World War II and Korean War Veterans?

Jane Miskovic  MSc  Does hospital based weight restoration prior to outpatient family therapy improve outcome for young people treated for anorexia nervosa.

Alex Withers  MSc  Anorexia in the family: a sibling’s perspective

Natalie Costin  MSc  An investigation of the relationship between emotional awareness and eating disorder illness severity over 18 weeks of treatment.

Amy Willinge  MSc  Day patient treatment for eating disorders: An evaluation of its effectiveness and predictors of outcome and dropout.

Renee Van Steenis  MSc  A comparison study in the presentation of anorexia nervosa in acute and chronic patients

Research Related Professional Activities
Membership of Editorial Boards
European Eating Disorders Review

Professional Affiliations
Fellow of the Academy of Eating Disorders (American)
Fellow of the Australian Psychological Society
Member: College of Clinical Psychologists of APS
Member: Australian Association for Cognitive & Behaviour Therapy
Member: Australian Society for Psychiatric Research
International Affiliate: The American Psychological Society
Member: Eating Disorders Research Society (USA)
Member: American Psychological Association, International Affiliate
Member: European Council on Eating Disorders
Inaugural Member: Australian and New Zealand Academy of Eating Disorders (Hon. Treasurer)

Other Contributions
1. Executive Member: Eating Disorders Foundation (carer organization)
2. Co-Director Peter Beumont centre for Eating Disorders
3. Consultant Clinical Psychologist to the Eating Disorders Programme at Westmead Hospital
Media
1. The bad seeds. Essential Health. The Sydney Morning Herald, 9\textsuperscript{th} August, 2007
2. She ain’t heavy – she’s my daughter. The Sydney Morning Herald, Thursday, 1\textsuperscript{st} November 2007.
3. The bad seed; the ideological justifications for turning vegetarian can disguise a serious psychiatric condition. The Sydney Morning Herald, August 9\textsuperscript{th} 2007.

Community
2. Clinical update on anorexia nervosa: Its effect on the brain and its impact on capacity to make personal decisions. Guardianship Tribunal of New South Wales. Special Seminar. Wednesday 5\textsuperscript{th} September 2007.
Associate Professor Colin Clifford

Research Interests
The primary research focus of my laboratory is vision. A combination of behavioural experiments and functional brain imaging are used to understand how we perceive colour, form and motion, how context affects our perception, and how our visual awareness might be related to the underlying neural processing.

Grants
2006-08
Recipient. Harris, J.A. & Clifford, C.W.G.
Project Title: Interactions between vision and touch
Funding Body: Australian Research Council Discovery Grant

2007-11
Recipient. Clifford, C.W.G.
Project Title: Visual coding of motion and form
Funding Body: Australian Research Council Discovery Grant

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**Research Related Professional Activities**

**Manuscript Reviewing**

- *Cognition* (1)
- *Current Biology* (4)
- *Journal of Neuroscience* (1)
- *JOSA A* (1)
- *Journal of Vision* (4)
- *Nature Reviews Neuroscience* (1)
- *Neuroscience* (1)
- *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review* (1)
- *Vision Research* (5)
- *Visual Cognition* (1)

**Grant Reviewing**

- Australian Research Council (3)
- City University of New York Small Grants Program (1)
- French National Agency for Research (1)
- Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (1)

**External Theses Examination**

UNSW PhD

**Professional Affiliations**

Member: Australian Neuroscience Society

**Other Contributions**

- Queen’s University, Belfast, International Fellowship, Dec 2006- Feb 2007.
- Psychology Department Seminar, Queens University Belfast, 12 January 2007.
- Member of Review Board for AIESEC Student Exchange Program
Associate Professor Ann Louise Sharpe

Research Interests
My research interests are in Health Psychology, including the psychological impact of disease, psychological adjustment to disease, development of innovative psychological interventions to facilitate adjustment to illness and evaluation of interventions to prevent physical and psychological morbidity in patients with ill health. I currently have three specific areas of interest:

1. Understanding the process of adjustment in patients with rheumatoid arthritis (RA) and other illnesses.
2. The efficacy of cognitive and/or behavioural treatments (CBT) in the management of chronic pain (CP) and RA.
3. The role of hypervigilance in the development, maintenance, prevention and treatment of chronic pain.

Grants

National Health and Medical Research Council. Hypervigilance in the development of chronic pain. Louise Sharpe, Michael Nicholas and Kathryn Refshauge

Australian Research Council. The role of attention re-training in pain tolerance. Dr Louise Sharpe, Prof KM Refshauge and A/Prof MK Nicholas.

Publications


Research Supervision
Deepa Chauhan PhD Screening for Psychological Distress amongst Cancer Patients
Nicole Livermore PhD The efficacy of cognitive behaviour therapy in preventing the development of worsening of anxiety symptoms in patients with COPD identified as vulnerable to panic anxiety
Rhea Stein PhD Patients in palliative care
Jane Phillips  PhD  An exploration of sub-types of mood disturbance in a sample of postnatal women admitted to a residential parent-craft unit

Martine Sponiar  PhD  The Motherhood Decision in MS

Sonia Haggman  PhD  Hypervigilance in the development of chronic pain

Blake Dear  PhD  An investigation of the psychometric properties of the dot-probe paradigm in the study of chronic pain

Monica Miskovic  MSc  The role of selective attention to pain-related stimuli in solicitous and hostile spouses of people with chronic pain

Melanie Dangas  MSc  Children's Conceptions of Obesity: Causes, Prognosis and Effect on Self and Others

Kathleen Wallbank  MSc  Evaluation of a Patient Education Program for People Undergoing Haematopoietic Stem Cell Transplants and their Carers

Jessica Gray  MSc  Testing the validity of an algorithm to assess depression in palliative care patients

Melissa Mondello  MSc  The effect of attentional re-training on the efficacy of cognitive-behavioural therapy for chronic pain patients

Clinton Moore  MSc  The psychoeducational needs of children and their families after treatment of childhood cancer

Stephanie Saulnier  MSc  The psychosocial impact of Allo-HSCT on recipients and their carers

Research Related Professional Activities
Membership of Editorial Boards
Australian Psychologist

Manuscript Reviewing
Addiction
The Lancet
Patient Education and Counseling
Clinical Psychologist
Arthritis Care Research
Behaviour Research and Therapy
Cognitive Therapy Research
Arthritis Rheumatism
The Journal of Pain
European Journal of Pain
Psychotherapy and Psychosomatics
Journal of Economic Psychology
Gambling Research
Journal of Traumatic Stress
Journal of Psychosomatic Research
**Grant Reviewing**
ARC
NHMRC
Arthritis Foundation UK
Israel Health Research Council
Diabetes Australia

**Professional Affiliations**
Chair: NSW Section of The College of Clinical Psychologists (APS)
Executive Committee Member: National College of Clinical Psychologists (APS)
Member: Australian Psychological Society
Member: British Psychological Society – Division of Clinical Psychology
Member: Australian Association of Cognitive & Behavioural Therapy
Member: British Association of Behavioural & Cognitive Psychotherapies

**Other Contributions**
Awarded the Ian M Campbell Memorial Prize at the 2007 Australian Psychology Society Conference. The prize, from the APS College of Clinical Psychologists, seeks to promote and encourage excellence in clinical psychology and to reward and encourage psychologists as 'scientist-practitioners', for their contribution in research, therapy and/or social applicability.
Associate Professor Michael Walker

Research Interests
Measuring the effectiveness of therapies to help individuals cease gambling excessively. Different explanations for excessive gambling assume widely different processes. The therapies that follow from these explanations include behavioural, cognitive and humanistic approaches. I am conducting a controlled trial of four therapies: imaginal desensitisation, cognitive restructuring, solution focused therapy and multirmodal counselling. The trial is scheduled to run from 2006-2008 with approximately 300 participants. Follow-up evaluations will continue to 2011 in order to report on the long term effectiveness of the therapies.

Grants
Recipient: Michael Walker
Project Title: A controlled trial of gambling treatments
Funding Body: Responsible Gambling Fund, NSW.

Recipient: Michael Walker
Project Title: Treatment effectiveness in RGF treatment services
Funding Body: Responsible Gambling Fund, NSW.

Publications

Research Supervision
Wu Yi Zheng PhD Aspects of Mah Jong play in the Chinese community of Sydney
Dr David Alais

Research Interests
I conduct research into unisensory perception, either auditory or visual. Auditory research is done in close collaboration with Assoc. Professor Carlile’s Auditory Neuroscience Laboratory in the School of Medical Sciences, allowing access to sophisticated auditory stimuli and signal processing, and to sophisticated virtual auditory space (VAS) technology. Other research in the lab focuses purely on visual processes. A major visual interest focuses on how the brain resolves visual conflict between the eyes, as when the eyes receive different images, giving rise to 'binocular rivalry' in which the brain's conscious state alternates between perceiving the image in one eye and perceiving the image in the other eye. An overview of the state of this burgeoning field can be found in a recent book by David Alais and Randolph Blake: "Binocular Rivalry", MIT Press (2005).

Grants
2003-2007
Recipient: Alais, D.
Project Title: DP0345797: Audio-visual interactions in human perception
Funding Body: Australian Research Council Discovery Project

2007-2011
Recipient: Alais, D. & Carlile, S.
Project Title: DP0770299: Audiovisual interactions in human perception: exploring the temporal dimension and the role of attention
Funding Body: Australian Research Council Discovery Project

Publications


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


backwards in time predicted by the maximum likelihood model. 8th International Multisensory Research Forum, Sydney, Australia, abstract #58.


R van Ee, A Parker, J van Boxtel, D Alais (2007) Voluntary control over visual rivalry can be enhanced by sound that is consistent with scene interpretation. *Perception (supp)* 36, #57a.


A Parker, D Alais (2007) Unexpected auditory and visual events speed up binocular rivalry. *Perception (supp)* 36, #70.

**Research Supervision**

Parker, Amanda  
PhD  
Auditory influences on binocular rivalry

Apthorp, Deborah  
PhD  
Role of ‘motion streaks’ in human motion perception

**Research Related Professional Activities**

**Manuscript Reviewing**

- Cognition (1)
- Consciousness & Cognition (1)
- Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Performance & Perception (1)
- Journal of Neurophysiology (1)
- Journal of Vision (5)
- Nature Reviews Neuroscience (1)
- Neuron (1)
- Neuroscience Letters (1)
- Perception (1)
- Psychonomic Bulletin & Review (1)
- Transactions in Applied Perception (1)
- Vision Research (3)

**Grant Reviewing**

Australian Research Council (4 Discovery Projects reviewed)  
Dutch Social Sciences Council (2 VICI grants reviewed)

**External Theses Examination**

University of Sydney, MSc

**Professional Affiliations**

- Vision Sciences Society

**Other contributions**

Invited colloquia:
1. University of Melbourne, Department of Optometry & Vision Sciences, May 2007
2. International Conference on Acoustics, Madrid, Spain, September 2007
Dr Bruce Burns

Research Interests
Overall, my work aims to understand how knowledge is represented and used. Towards this aim, I have worked on a number of issues in higher-order cognition. These include: Decision making and streaks; Goal specificity in problem solving; Reasoning and causality (Monty Hall dilemma); Chess skill; Competition as problem solving; Analogical reasoning; Motivation and problem solving.

Grants
Recipient: Bruce Burns
Project Title: Decision making based on streaks of events
Funding Body: University of Sydney, research grant

Recipient: Bruce Burns
Project Title: How streaks of events bias people's decisions
Funding Body: University of Sydney Research grant

Research Supervision
Harold Willaby PhD Belief in luck in decision-making

Research Related Professional Activities
Membership of Editorial Boards
Associate Editor for Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology

Professional Affiliations
Association for Psychological Science
Cognitive Science Society
Psychonomic Society
Dr Margaret Charles

Research Interests
Dr Margaret Charles’ research interests are diverse, ranging from applied aspects of health psychology, relationships between social capital and psychological wellbeing, to factors affecting psychology students learning of statistics. Health-related research has been predominantly in the area of palliative care and psychosocial aspects related to cancer and other life-limiting illnesses. The interest in education has also been applied to the evaluation of educational workshops for health care workers in the field of palliative care. Teaching and learning of statistics has been an on-going interest, particularly with the adoption of eLearning and extended availability of diverse online learning resources.

Grants
2007-11
Project Title: Psychosocial predictors of developing breast cancer in women from high risk breast cancer families
Funding Body: NHMRC

2005-08
Recipient: Butow PN, Ussher JM, Batt GM, Wain GC, Sundquist KJ, Charles MA.
Project Title: Meeting the needs of cancer support group leaders
Funding Body: Australian Research Council

2005-08
Recipient: Butow P, Charles M.
Project Title: Predicting bereavement outcomes in caregivers of women with ovarian cancer
Funding Body: University of Sydney Cancer Research Fund

Conference Abstracts/Presentations

Research Supervision
Lisa Karlov PhD Depression and negative life events
Agi O’Hara PhD Mentor characteristics and the mentoring relationship
Brad Dolph MSc Competing tasks as predictors of job performance
Molly Schafer MSc Emotion Processing Deficits in Parkinson’s Disease

Research Related Professional Activities
External Theses Examination
James Cook University, MSc

Professional Affiliations
Australian Psychological Society (member)

Other Contributions
• Associate Dean (Faculty of Science, Liberal Studies Program Co-ordinator)
Dr Alan E. Craddock

Research Interests
Dr. Craddock’s current research interests include:

• Perfectionism, family of origin issues, self-esteem and spiritual orientation.
• Couple personality patterns and relationship satisfaction
• Counselling as involving development of insight into attitudes-towards-the-self.
• Gordon Allport’s views of personality: Implications for counselling psychology.

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Journal of Contemporary Psychotherapy (1)

Professional Affiliations
Member: Australian Psychological Society
Registered Psychologist NSW Psychologists Registration Board

Other Contributions
National Coordinator, Prepare-Enrich, Australia
Dr Irina Harris

Research Interests
My main research interests are in the areas of visual cognition and selective attention, which I study using a variety of techniques including cognitive experiments, cognitive neuroscience investigations (brain imaging, transcranial magnetic stimulation) and cognitive neuropsychological investigations of patients.

Grants
2007 University of Sydney International Visiting Fellowship (Prof. Michael Corballis) – “Perception and recognition of rotated shapes” - $12,600.

2005-2009 ARC Discovery Grant and Queen Elizabeth II Fellowship – “Recognition of rotated objects: paying attention to orientation” (I.M. Harris & M.C. Corballis) - $600,000.

Publications


Conference Presentations/Abstracts


Research Supervision
Claire Benito PhD Interactions between spatial and temporal attention

Zoe Terpening DCN/MSc Decoupling implicit and explicit processes in object recognition: the role of the right parietal lobe.

Michael Little MSc Semantic priming in the attentional blink
Research Related Professional Activities

Membership of Editorial Boards
ORBKIT: The Sydney University Undergraduate Research Journal

Manuscript Reviewing
Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience (2)
Psychonomic Bulletin & Review (1)
Neuropsychologia (1)
Memory & Cognition (1)

Grant Reviewing
ARC (2)

Professional Affiliations
Vision Sciences Society
Australasian Experimental Psychology Society
NSW Psychologists Registration Board

Other Contributions
- 5th Borsellino College “From Spike Trains to Action: Brain Basis of Behavior”, hosted by the International Centre for Theoretical Physics, Trieste, Italy, 3-14 September 2007 (invited faculty – 2 lectures)
- MACCS, Macquarie University, Research Seminar 10 July 2007.
- Department of Psychology, University of Hong Kong, Staff Colloquium 13 February 2007.
Dr Justin Harris

Research Interests
My research is broadly concerned with the mechanisms underlying learning, memory, and perception. There are two major strands to this research: simple associative learning (Pavlovian conditioning) in laboratory animals (rats) and people; and studying the nature of neural coding in the somatosensory (tactile) system, and how vision affects touch perception.

Grants
2007 - 2009
Project Title: Stimulus Representation in Associative Learning
Funding Body: ARC Discovery Grant.

2007 - 2009
Project Title: The Extinction of conditioned fear and its implications for cue exposure therapy
Funding Body: NH&MRC Project Grant.

2006 - 2010
Project Title: Optimizing autonomous system control with brain-like hierarchical control systems
Funding Body: ARC/NH&MRC Thinking Systems Special Initiative Grant.

2006 - 2008
Project Title: Interactions between vision and touch
Funding Body: ARC Discovery Grant.

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**Research Related Professional Activities**

**Membership of Editorial Boards**

Academic Editor of *PLoS ONE*.

**Manuscript Reviewing**

- *PLoS ONE* (5)
- *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Animal Behavior Processes* (2)
- *Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology* (2)
- *Journal of Neuroscience* (2)
- *European Journal of Neuroscience* (1)
- *Behavioral Research Methods* (1)
- *Learning & Behavior* (1)

**Grant Reviewing**

ARC Oz Reader. Reviewed 16 grants.

**External Theses Examination**

UNSW (PhD)
Dr Fiona Hibberd

Research interests
• History and Philosophy of Psychology
• Psychoanalysis
• Conceptual issues in Statistics and Psychometrics

Publications

Conference Abstracts/Presentations

Research Supervision
Fran Lubotzky PhD The Australian 'Political Psyche'
Paul Phillips PhD Theory of Self

Research Related Professional Activities
Professional Affiliations
Member of the International Society for Theoretical Psychology
Member of the European Society for the History of the Human Sciences.
‘Foreign affiliate’ member of the History & Philosophy of Psychology section of The British Psychological Society.
Currently registered with the NSW Psychologists Registration Board (No. PS0044762).

Other Contributions
• Invited member of the History of Psychology Advisory Panel for Oxford University Press, New York.
Dr Alex O. Holcombe

Research interests
Primarily, I do experiments to determine how the brain processes visual information. I focus on temporal aspects.

Grants
2007 - 2009
Recipient: Holcombe, A. O.
Project Title: Mobile computation in human perception and feature binding
Funding Body: Australian Research Council

Publications

Conference Presentations/Abstracts


Research Supervision
Alex White MSc Perception and interaction with moving objects

Research Related Professional Activities

Membership of Editorial Boards
I am a member of the advisory board of the PLoS ONE journal of the Public Library of Science

Manuscript Reviewing
PLoS ONE (2)
Journal of Vision (2)
Perception (1)
Nature Neuroscience (1)
Acta Psychologica, (1)
Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Perception and Performance (1)

Professional Affiliations
Member, Vision Sciences Society

Other Contributions
Aug 2007 Invited to speak at European Society for Cognitive Psychology, Marseille, France temporal binding symposium (declined due to scheduling conflicts)
Nov 2007 “Surprisingly slow stages of seeing”, University of California Department of Psychology cognitive lunch seminar
Sep 2007 “Surprisingly slow stages of seeing”, University of Western Australia School of Psychology colloquium series
Dr Pauline Howie

Research Interests
My research focus is on aspects of metacognitive and social influences on children's event memory reports, with application to children's eyewitness testimony. I am currently conducting a research program on social influences on children's responses to repeated questions, with funding from an ARC Discovery grant in 2007. I am also conducting collaborative research with Prof. Claudia Roebers at the University of Bern, Switzerland, on the development of accurate confidence judgments in event memory. I supervise postgraduate and honors research in these areas, as well as in the area of individual differences in predictors of suggestibility. interest in these phenomena lies in the theoretical implications for understanding social and cognitive influences on memory development, as well as the practical implications for determining appropriate ways to question children in forensic and other contexts. I also supervise doctoral projects in related forensic areas such as bullying, juvenile offenders, and children and divorce.

Grants
ARC Discovery grant 2005-2007 "Optimising recall in children's testimony: The challenge of repeated questions" $175,000

Publications


Conference Abstracts / Presentations


Research Supervision
Kristina Fritz  PhD  Metacognitive correlates of suggestibility across child development
Sandy Vickerstaff  PhD  Depression in high functioning autistic adolescents
Susan Daniel  PhD  Bullying in home, school and university environments
Mark Toh (Faculty of Health Sciences)  PhD  Video games and self esteem (Associate supervisor)

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Applied Cognitive Psychology (1)
Developmental Psychology (1)

Professional Affiliations
Member: European Society for Developmental Psychology
Member: Australasian Human Development Association
Member: Cognitive Development Society
Member: Society for Applied Research in Memory and Cognition

Other Contributions
Invited address
Dr Caroline Hunt

Research Interests
While my primary research interest was for a number of years adult anxiety disorders, I have recently shifted the focus of my research from child disorders. In 1999 I initiated a NH&MRC funded trial of the prevention and treatment of anxiety and depressive disorders in early to middle adolescence. This randomised controlled trial spanning 5 years has recently been completed across 20 secondary schools in Sydney. This study evaluates whether an intervention conducted wholly within the school sector, using school staff, will prevent children who are at risk from developing anxiety or depressive disorders. Research into the nature and treatment of comorbidity between childhood anxiety disorders and aggression has been another recent research development. In collaboration with Dr Sandra Heriot and Dr Karyn Levy, I recently completed a funded pilot study of the effectiveness of a treatment program for these children. Additional projects in this area include investigations into neuropsychological, personality and psychophysiological features of children with comorbid disorders compared to children with anxiety disorders alone. Lastly, I have developed a significant program of research with a focus on school bullying, using a clinical psychology perspective. My projects include (1) a funded randomised controlled trial that evaluated an educational intervention to change attitudes towards bullying and discourage bullying behaviour; (2) an investigation of the role of ethnic minority identification in school-based bullying; (3) the investigation of specific risk factors of being bullied in a sample of children seeking treatment for an anxiety disorder; (4) an evaluation of the effect of anxiety management and self-concept enhancement on the experience of being bullied in anxious children; and (5) a funded project to develop a self-report questionnaire of the experience of school-based bullying. The latter two projects have been undertaken in collaboration with Professor Ron Rapee and Dr Lorna Peters of Macquarie University.

Publications
Books

Journal Articles


Research Supervision
Kate Arculi MSc Why do children bully? Social-cognitive information processing of children who bully.
Sarah Hughes MSc Characteristics of young people living with a sibling with an anxiety disorder.
Kirsten Rose MSc Increasing resilience against depression in adolescents.
Amanda Symboluk MSc The relationship between a child’s bullying experience at school and the family factors of attachment, parenting and family cohesion.
Tracy Rhodes PhD An investigation into neurocognitive processes underlying co-occurring anxiety and aggression in childhood

Ileana Hatton PhD Worry in generalised anxiety disorder: An inhibitory deficit?

Research Related Professional Activities

Manuscript Reviewing
Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology (2)
Journal of Adolescent Health (1)
Australian Psychologist (1)

Grant Reviewing
Australian Research Council

Professional Affiliations
Board Member: NSW Psychologists Registration Board
Member: College of Clinical Psychologists, APS
Member: Australian Association for Cognitive and Behaviour Therapy
Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors

Other Contributions
• Hunt, C. Treatment of anxiety through pregnancy and the postpartum. Invited presentation for the Perinatal and Infant Mental Health Unit, Liverpool Hospital. 22nd October, 2007.
Dr David James Livesey

Research Interests
Dr David Livesey's research focused on three aspects of early child development with studies examining executive skills development, motor development, and the development and treatment of comorbid internalising and externalising behaviour problems. The studies of executive function included Doctoral research (Rouse) into the link between response inhibition, fluid intelligence, theory of mind and moral reasoning and an Honours project (Ructtinger) that investigated the efficacy of different training procedures for improving inhibitory control in preschool aged children. The motor development studies included the work of three Honours students (Toshack, Lum, Zhen) who investigated the link between motor ability and peer relations in 9- to 12-year-old children. A DCP/MSc student (Hennessey) investigated the factors associated with the development of comorbid internalizing (anxiety) and externalizing problems in 7- to 14-year-old children and their response to CBT treatment. The association between early executive skills development and motor ability was also investigated through ongoing collaborative research with Prof Piek (Curtin University). This work is examining the link between response control and early motor development in children with and without Developmental Coordination Disorder.

Publications

Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Research Supervision
Jane Rouse PhD The relationship between executive functions, theory of mind, fluid intelligence and moral judgements in preschool children.


Research Related Professional Activities

Manuscript Reviewing
Child: Care, Health and Development (2)
Human Movement Science (1)
Developmental Psychology (1)
External Theses Examination
University of Tasmania – DPsych,

Other Contributions
Convenor, 15th Biennial Conference of the Australasian Human Development Association (Sydney, 2007).
Dr Fiona White

Research Interests
My research interests fall into the area of applied Social and Developmental Psychology, with a specific focus on understanding the nature of controlled versus automatic processes in prejudice formation; optimal ways to measure implicit and explicit forms of racial prejudice; prejudice reduction techniques such as cooperative contact and predictors of complex attitudes such as morality. Most recently I have investigated persuasive argument strategies to increase support for affirmative action in higher education.

More recently, I have integrated my research and teaching interests together to focus on the scholarship of teaching of psychology. Within this domain I have examined students' feelings and attitudes towards group work and its assessment; I have evaluated modes of lecture delivery and their effects on student satisfaction and performance and measured the educational and navigational aspects of elearning techniques such as WebCT. Most recently my colleagues and I have developed constructive feedback strategies to effectively reduce student plagiarism.

Grants
2007
Recipient: White
Project Title: Using a constructive feedback approach to effectively reduce student plagiarism and improve scientific writing
Funding Body: Faculty of Science ($10,000) Teaching Improvement and Equipment grant

Publications
Book Chapters

Journal Articles


Conference Presentations/Abstracts


**Research Supervision**

- **Joshua McGrane** PhD
  - The significance of attitudinal ambivalence to attitude theory and measurement

- **Michelle Tadros** PhD
  - An evaluation of Acceptance Commitment Therapy (ACT) as a prejudice reduction intervention

- **Jane Rouse** PhD
  - Moral development and executive functioning

**Research Related Professional Activities**

**Manuscript Reviewing**

Journal of Child and Family Studies (1)

**Grant Reviewing**

ARC Discovery Project Grant

**Professional Affiliations**

- Registered Psychologist with the New South Wales Psychologists Registration
- Member of the Australian Psychological Society
- Member of the Australasian Human Development Association (AHDA)
- Member of the Society of Australasian Social Psychologists (SASP)
- Member of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI)

**Other Contributions**

Invited speaker at the SUN/SUPRA ‘Women In Academia’ Seminar.
Dr Maree Abbott

Research Interests
My research interests primarily focus on the nature and treatment of anxiety disorders and on furthering the understanding of ruminative thought processes. In addition I am involved in a range of experimental studies aimed at further understanding the factors maintaining a range of disorders and behaviours including social phobia, generalized anxiety, perfectionism and procrastination and binge eating disorder. I am also involved in a number of studies that look to enhance treatment effectiveness and delivery for social phobia, generalized anxiety disorder, child anxiety disorders and victims of school bullying.

Publications


Conference and Seminar Presentations


Research Supervision
Michelle McElduff DCP/MSc Discrepency, uncertainty and rumination in social phobia
Chien Gooi DCP/MSc Mindfulness and generalized anxiety disorder
Judy Zou DCP/MSc Interpersonal feedback and rumination in social phobia
Tanya Gruenweld DCP/MSc Cognitive factors in panic disorder
Diana Grivas DCP/MSc Responses to worry in generalized anxiety disorder
Clare Rankin DCP/MSc Self-discrepency in procrastination
Angela Dangas DCP/MSc Cognitive factors maintaining procrastination
Laura Nilon DCP/MSc Parent factors in childhood obesity
Juliet Donald DCP/MSc Treatments for social phobia
Lexine Stapinski PhD Cognitive processes in generalized anxiety disorder
Stephanie Groves D.Psych Cognitive factors in binge eating disorder

Research Related Professional Activities
Membership of Editorial Boards
Executive Committee Member, APS College of Clinical Psychologists

Manuscript Reviewing
Behaviour Research and Therapy (2)
Clinical Psychologist (1)

External Theses Examination
PhD – Curtin University
M.Clin. Psych. – University of Canberra
D.Psych. – Macquarie University

Professional Affiliations
Registered Psychologist in NSW (PS0071894).
The Australian Association of Cognitive Behavioural Therapy, Member
The Australian Psychological Society, Clinical College, Member
The Anxiety Practitioners Network, Member
Dr Damian Birney

Research Interests
My research investigates human reasoning, learning, problem solving, and expertise broadly defined, with a focus on cognitive individual differences and the philosophy of measurement. Current projects span: Investigations of working memory and fluid intelligence from the perspective of relational complexity theory; Dynamic assessment, which incorporates various types of structured learning opportunities within a test so that one can quantify learning potential in addition to the assessment of already developed skills (which are typically the focus of traditional assessments); and Flexible Expertise, where we are investigating the role of various cognitive processes and contextual determinants (such as information feedback and task complexity) in the development of flexible expertise in senior managers. The approach adopted throughout is one that integrates individual differences and cognitive-experimental methodologies.

Grants
2006-11
Recipient: Prof RE Wood; Dr JF Beckmann; Dr DP Birney; Dr S Gary
Project Title: Flexible Expertise in Senior Executives
Funding Body: ARC Linkage Project

Publications


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Research Supervision
Myvan Bui PhD Fluid intelligence, reasoning and learning
Leonardo Gabales PhD Visual-Spatial Working Memory
Jing-lam Ko MSc Executive Functioning in Schizophrenia
Stanton Bongers PhD (Graduated October) Psychomotor assessment in pilot selection
Andrew Howe PhD Associate Supervisor Cognitive Flexibility
Natassia Goode  PhD Associate Supervisor  Complex Problem Solving
Harold Willaby  PhD Associate Supervisor  Decision Making

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Learning and Individual Differences (2)
Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology (1)
British Journal of Educational Psychology (1)

Grant Reviewing
ARC Linkage International (1)
Dr Michael J Cavanagh

Research Interests
As an executive coach his areas of special interest include:

- Communication skills
- Leadership and Emotional competency
- Solution focussed approaches to goal achievement and problem solving.
- Coaching in complex systems

Grants
2007
Recipient: Cavanagh, M., Atkins P., Grant, A. & Spence, G.
Project Title: Developing leadership for high stress workplaces: Improving well-being, engagement, productivity and staff retention.
Funding Body: Australian Research Council Linkage Project Grant

Publications


Conference Abstracts/Presentations

Cavanagh, M. (2007) Understanding leadership and coaching: the leader as coach or the coach as leader? Liquid Learning Melbourne

Cavanagh, M. (2007) Perspectives on Coaching Research: The role of research in supporting coaching as a profession and professional coaches International Coach Federation Australasia, Melbourne August 2007

Cavanagh, M. (2007) How well are we doing and how well might we do?: Envisaging a future for coaching Third Australian Evidence Based Coaching Conference University of Sydney, July, 2007


Research Supervision
Despina Sfakinos PhD Self-awareness

Research Related Professional Activities
Membership of Editorial Boards
International Journal of Evidence Based Coaching and Mentoring
International Coaching Psychology Review.

Professional Affiliations
Member: Australian Psychological Society
Registered Psychologist NSW Psychologists Registration Board
Dr Karen Croot

Research Interests
I am interested in how people are able to produce fluent speech, and in acquired disorders of speech production. My research focuses on the processes of phonological encoding and articulation described by cognitive theories of spoken word production. I primarily study these processes by investigating the speech and language impairments that can result from dementia, stroke, or traumatic brain injury, although some of my research also involves unimpaired speakers producing tongue twisters or learning to produce foreign language sounds. I am also studying the nature of the disorder in acquired apraxia of speech, foreign accent syndrome and primary progressive aphasia and speech pathology interventions for these disorders.

Conference Presentations/Abstracts

Research Related Professional Activities

Manuscript Reviewing
Aphasiology 2

Grant Reviewing
ARC discovery grants (2)
ASSTA Research Event Grant (1)

Professional Affiliation
Member: Australian Speech Science and Technology Association
Member: British Aphasiology Society
Member: Academy of Aphasia

Other Contributions

Invited colloquia/seminars:


Guest lectures
Dr Marc de Rosnay

Research Interests
I study the development of children's emotional competence and their emotion understanding. From infancy to school entry, children make remarkable advances in their capacity to negotiate emotionally challenging situations, share their emotional experiences and understand other people as emotional agents. Whilst development brings increasing emotional autonomy, children remain deeply dependent on the structures that support them, and each family affords different opportunities to explore and integrate emotional experiences.

The majority of my research centres on variation in the emotional competencies and emotion understanding of children. Some aspects of this variation undoubtedly originate in constitutional differences between children (e.g., temperament), whereas other aspects have a social origin. By studying variation between children and the worlds in which they find themselves, it is my belief that we can open a window onto the mechanisms underlying emotional resilience and emotional disturbance.

To equip children for the emotional challenges they will face is one of the greatest responsibilities of parents and those caring for children. How children will meet these challenges is ultimately in their own hands.

Grants
2007-2010
Recipient: M de Rosnay
Project Title: Acquiring social fears in infancy
Funding Body: ARC (DP)

2007
Recipient: M de Rosnay
Project Title: Children’s socio-cognitive understanding in action and context
Funding Body: University of Sydney Research & Development Grant Scheme

2005-2008
Recipient: E Meins, C Fernyhough, M de Rosnay, B Arnott, & L Vittorini
Project Title: Internal working models and young children’s social-emotional development
Funding Body: Economic and Social Research Council, UK

Publications

Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Research Supervision
Elian Fink PhD The relation between affect modulation and social competence in young children
Tamara Kezelman MSc Emotional regulation
Dr Anthony M Grant

Research Interests
The impact of executive, workplace and personal/life coaching on goal attainment, well-being, meta-cognition and mental health; Socio-psychological perspectives on the coaching and personal development industry; Design and implementation of workplace coaching programs at line management, middle management and executive level in commercial, health and educational settings; Well-being and performance in the workplace; Application of cognitive-behavioural theory and positive psychology to coaching; Application of positive psychology and mindfulness to the workplace, coaching and leadership. Issues related to powerlessness, acceptance and vulnerability as precursors to growth.

Grants
2007
Recipient: Cavanagh, M., Atkins P., Grant, A. & Spence, G.
Project Title: Developing leadership for high stress workplaces: Improving well-being, engagement, productivity and staff retention.
Funding Body: Australian Research Council Linkage Project Grant

Publications
Books

Book Chapters

Journal Articles


Published Conference Proceedings

Conference Presentations

Other Publications

Research Supervision
Fiona Ghiglione PhD Mindfulness and coaching
Despina Sfakinos PhD Self-awareness
John McGill PhD Expatriate coaching in China

Research Related Professional Activities
Membership of Editorial Boards:
Co-editor and Editorial Board member of International Coaching Psychology Review
Editorial Board member of International Journal of Evidence-based Coaching and Mentoring
Editorial Board member of The Coaching Psychologist
Founder Executive Committee member Interest Group in Coaching Psychology
Editorial Board member Coaching: An International Journal of Theory Research and Practice
International Advisory Board member Coaching and Mentoring Program Oxford Brookes University UK
International Advisory Board member Centre for Applied Positive Psychology

Manuscript Reviewing
International Coaching Psychology Review (8)
Journal of Positive Psychology (1)
Australian Psychologist (6)
Psychology and Psychotherapy: Theory Research and Practice (1)
Social Behaviour and Personality (1)
International Journal of Evidence-based Coaching and Mentoring (1)

Grant Reviewing
Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada

Professional Affiliations
Member: Australian Psychological Society
Chartered Member: British Psychological Society
Member: American Psychological Society

Other Contributions
Various interviews in local Australian media
Invited panel discussant at 2007 Happiness and It’s Causes Conference Sydney 2007
Dr David Hawes

Research Interests
My areas of research relate to the developmental psychopathology of antisocial behaviour, and innovations in treatment approaches. I am interested in how parenting practices and child vulnerabilities interact, and how evidence of such processes can be used to inform the treatment and prevention of behavioural problems. I am currently conducting intervention research into behavioural parent-training, childhood psychopathy (callous-unemotional traits), and the neurobiology of antisocial behaviour.

Grants
2007
Recipient: Dadds, MR., Hawes, DJ., Brennan, J., Falcov, A., Heriot, S., Sprague, T. & Urwin, R.
Project Title: Improving Identification and Treatment of Early-Onset Behaviour Disorders in Children.
Funding Body: National Health and Medical Research Council. Project grant (‘A Healthy Start to Life for All Australians Strategic Award’), $472,043

2006-2009
Recipient: Dadds, MR., & Hawes, DJ.
Project Title: Emotion processing deficits in childhood: Risk for psychopathology and indications for clinical intervention.
Funding Body: Australian Research Council, Linkage Grant, $300,000

2007-2009
Recipient: Dadds, MR., Hawes, DJ., Brennan, J., Hay, D., & Urwin, R.
Project Title: Relating genetic, biological, and behavioural markers of early vulnerability in conduct problem children.
Funding Body: National Health and Medical Research Council. Project grant, $421,875

Publications

Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Allen, JL., Salmon, K., Dadds, MR., & Hawes, DJ. (2007). Training parents of oppositional children in emotion talk about shared past events: Evaluation of an innovative language-based early intervention as an adjunct to parent training. 5th World Congress of Behavioural and Cognitive Therapy (WCBCT), Barcelona, Spain.
Merz, S., Dadds, MR., & Hawes, DJ. (2007). Developmental changes in emotion recognition ability of children and adolescents low in empathy. 5th World Congress of Behavioural and Cognitive Therapy (WCBCT), Barcelona, Spain.

Dadds, MR., Perry, Y., Hawes, DJ., Merz, S., Salmon, K., & Leist, T. (2007). Look at the eyes! Attentional problems in how children read emotions are related to psychopathology. 5th World Congress of Behavioural and Cognitive Therapy (WCBCT), Barcelona, Spain.


**Other Publications**


**Research Related Professional Activities**

**Membership of Editorial Boards:**
Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology

**Manuscript Reviewing**
Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology (6)
Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology (2)
Australian and New Zealand Journal of Psychiatry (2)
Clinical Psychology Review (1)
Australian Journal of Psychology (1)

**Professional Affiliations**
Australian Psychological Society
International Society for Research in Child & Adolescent Psychopathology
Australian Research Alliance for Children & Youth
New South Wales Psychologists Registration Board
Karitane, Sydney South West Area Health Service (Honorary Research & Teaching Fellow)

**Other Contributions**
Delivery of workshops in parenting interventions for clinicians in community-based services
Dr Ian Johnston

Research Interests
"Behavioural neuroscience (i.e., animal models of psychological function) focusing on:
1. Psychoneuroimmunology (PNI) - the impact of immune activity on behaviour, cognition or mood focusing on glial hyperactivity in the brain, chronic pain, opiate use and dependency, and treatment with chemotherapy;
2. Neurochemistry of complex cognition - the neurobiology of goal-directed behaviour, habit formation and executive processes in the rat."

Grants
I. N. Johnston, Central nervous system cytokines and morphine analgesia, Australian Research Council.

Publications

Research Related Professional Activities
Professional Affiliations
Australian Learning Group

Other Contributions
• An oral paper presented to the Associative Learning Symposium, University of Cardiff, UK, “Goal-directed nature of route and place navigation strategies.”
• A seminar at the Autism Awareness Expo, Macquarie University, “Theory and practice of behaviour management”.
Dr Sabina Kleitman

Research Interests
My primary research interests include individual differences in metacognitive processes, decision-making, cognitive styles and self-concept measures. I also have interests in developmental psychology, especially in developmental trends of metacognitive processes. In my research I primarily use multivariate techniques, including SEM.

Grants
2007
Recipient: Kleitman, S
Project Title: Metacognition, its implication for quality of life in pregnancy and its possible biological markers.
Funding Body: University of Sydney Research and Development Grant

Publications


Conference Abstracts/Presentations

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Pers Indiv Differ (1)
J Res Adolescence (1)
Dr Suncica Sunny Lah

Research Interests
My main clinical and research interests are in the area of Neuropsychology. They include investigations of the nature and mechanisms of cognitive and behavioural disorders arising from brain insults as well as rehabilitation of these disorders in adults and children. In adults, I have been investigating disorders of episodic (autobiographical) and semantic memory in patients with neurological disorders, such as epilepsy, stroke or encephalitis. Of late I have developed an interest in the relationship between autobiographical memory, emotions and pro-social behaviour.

In children, impact of epilepsy, epilepsy surgery and head injury on everyday memory and development of new learning/retention skills have been focus of my research. In the past, I have carried out studies investigating cognitive fatigue, executive functions and social/moral reasoning in children who were born premature and in children who sustained head injury respectively.

In addition, I have had an ongoing interest in neuropsychological rehabilitation, such as memory rehabilitation and impact of neurological insults on psychosocial functioning of patients and their families. My research is clinically based and has been carried out in collaboration with colleagues from a number of different hospital, including: Sydney Children’s Hospital (Randwick), Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Children’s Hospital at Westmead, Prince of Wales Hospital, Westmead Hospital, Royal North Shore Hospital, Liverpool Hospital and John Hunter Children’s Hospital.

Conference abstracts/presentations


Research Supervision

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Melissa Saxon  MSc  Interpersonal behaviour after traumatic brain injury: The role of emotion recognition, empathy and executive function.

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Brain (1)
Child Neuropsychology (1)

Grant Reviewing
ARC – Discovery

External Theses Examination
Macquarie University – DPsych
University of Newcastle - MSc

Professional Affiliations
The Australian Psychological Society (full member).
The APS College of Clinical Neuropsychology (full member).
Registered Psychologist in NSW
The Australian Society for the Study of Brain Impairment.
Epilepsy Society of Australia.
International Society for Behavioral Neuroscience

Other Contributions
Dr Barbara Mullan

Research Interests
My research interests include social cognition models in health psychology, the role of gender in health, gender issues in nursing and allied health professionals, sexuality and ill health, sex education and communication skills training.

Grants
Recipient: Mullan, B
Project Title: Brain-body interaction: Randomised control trial of physical activity (medical qigong) for cancer patients
Funding Body: University of Sydney Cancer Research Fund

Publications


Research Supervision
I am associate supervisor for the following:

Byeongsang Oh PhD Randomised control trial of physical activity (medical qigong) for cancer patients
Melanie Babooram MSc Children's conceptions of obesity: Causes, prognosis and effect on self and others
Malcolm Choat MSc Psychosocial aspects of renal transplant
Yasmeen El Masry MSc A qualitative study of caregivers, stroke survivors and health professionals
Alex Withers MSc Coping with Anorexia Nervosa in the family: a sibling's perspective

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
International Journal of Evidence-Based Healthcare (2)

Professional Affiliations
Chartered Psychologist British Psychological Society
Chartered Health Psychologist British Psychological Society
Member of the Higher Education Academy (formerly the Institute of Learning and Teaching in Higher Education)
Dr Caleb Owens

Research Interests
Attentional capture, Inattentional blindness, False memory, Reasoning and gullibility

Grants
White, F., Owens, C., & Harris, E. ($10K, Awarded December 2007) TIES grant scheme, Preventing Plagiarism.

Publications

Conference Presentations/Abstracts

Research Supervision
James Heathers MSc The placebo effect

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Visual Cognition (1)
Dr Paul Rhodes

Research Interests
Family-based treatment of anorexia nervosa, systemic approaches to challenging behaviour in developmental disabilities, generic family therapy, research on teaching and supervision practices in family therapy

Grants
Does inpatient weight restoration prior to outpatient family therapy improve outcomes in adolescent anorexia nervosa? National Health and Medical Research Council Project Grant (2007 – 2010). $528,000 (with James Locke, Daniel Le Grange, Sloane Madden, Michael Kohn and Paul Rhodes).

Publications
Guest Editor (2007), Special Research Edition, Australian and New Zealand Journal of Family Therapy 28 4


Other Publications
Life-threatening eating disorders in two nine-year old girls: Rethinking the Maudsley model. Australia and New Zealand Family Therapy Conference, 2007

Research Supervision
Chai Ng Msc The effect of family therapy internships on the personal life of the student

Rani Ellison Msc Mediators and Moderators in the Family-Based Treatment of Anorexia nervosa

Research Related Professional Activities
Membership of Editorial Boards
Secretary Australian and New Zealand Journal of family Therapy

Manuscript Reviewing
Australian and new Zealand Journal of Family Therapy

Professional Affiliations
Registered Psychologist, NSW
Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth

Other Contributions
A Systemic Consultation Model for group homes for clients with developmental disability and challenging behaviour. Current research in association with Statewide Behavioural Intervention Service, Department of Ageing, Disability and Homecare.

A multi-site randomised control trial of first-order and second-order family therapy reflecting teams. Current Research in Collaboration with Department of Social Work, Sydney University, Bower Place, Adelaide and The Systemic Consultation Practice, Perth
Does Hospital-Based Weight Restoration Prior to Outpatient Family Therapy Improve Outcomes for Child and Adolescent Anorexia Nervosa? A Retrospective Investigation of Current Treatment Outcomes Prior to a Proposed Randomised Control Trial. *Current Research with Children’s Hospital Westmead*

Adapting Andersen’s Reflecting Team to Rural Mental Health Teleconference Supervision. *Current Research with the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Outreach Service, Department of Psychological Medicine, Children’s Hospital, Westmead*

A host of seminars and workshops conducted in Victoria, Queensland, NSW on The Maudsley Model of family-Based treatment for Anorexia nervosa and Systemic Family Therapy

Consultation and supervision in Department of Ageing Disability and Homecare
Dr Elizabeth Rieger

Research Interests
My main research interests are in the areas of eating disorders and obesity, particularly regarding the motivational and interpersonal aspects of these conditions. In recent studies I have focused on the effectiveness of motivational enhancement interventions for the prevention and treatment of eating disorders and obesity. My research program also focuses on investigating the interaction between interpersonal and cognitive factors in triggering eating disorder symptomatology.

Publications


Research Supervision
Anne Connolly  PhD  Anger suppression and binge eating
Stuart Murray  MSc  Muscle dysmorphia and anorexia nervosa in males
Samira Sidhwani  MSc  Eating disorder symptomatology in Australian and Indian women
Christine Wearne  PhD  Interpersonal aspects of perfectionism in anorexia nervosa
Evelyn Smith  PhD  Attentional biases and eating disorder symptomatology

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
International Journal of Eating Disorders (1)

Professional Affiliations
Member of the Eating Disorders Research Society

Other Contributions
Workshop on interpersonal psychotherapy at Macquarie University
Dr Marianna Szabó

Research Interests

Publications

Research Supervision
Brigitte Lane DCP/MSc Psychological factors associated with Binge Eating Disorder symptomatology.

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Anxiety Stress and Coping (2)
British Journal of Educational Psychology (1)
Journal of Abnormal Psychology (1)

Professional Affiliations
Australian Psychological Society – full member
NSW Psychologists Registration Board – Registered Psychologist
Dr Niko Tiliopoulos

Research Interests
Personality (the traits approach) & personality disorders (Cluster A); Adult attachment; Psychology & psychopathology of religion & spirituality; Cross-cultural psychological elements of faith; Advanced quantitative research methods; Psychometrics & latent construct structural modelling.

Publications
Book Chapters

Referred Journal Articles


Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Archives for the Psychology or Religion
British Journal of Psychology
International Journal of Psychology
Journal of Public Health
Personality and Individual Differences

Professional Affiliations
American Psychological Association (APA) – International Affiliate
APA, Psychology of Religion (Division 36) – Member
Association for Psychological Science (APS) – Member
British Psychological Society (BPS) – Member
Social Science Data (SSDR) & Census Registration Service (CRS) UK – East Scotland Representative (2000-2007)
The Royal Statistical Society (RSS), UK – Member (1999-2007)
The UK Research Council – Chartered Scientist (CSci)

Other Contributions
"Assessing financial personality elements in adolescents", consultancy and report submitted to the Commonwealth Bank Foundation, Australia.
Dr Lisa Zadro

Research Interests
My primary research interest lies in investigating the nature of ostracism (i.e., being excluded and ignored). To date, my research has focused on examining the psychological, behavioural, and health-related consequences of ostracism in adults, however I have recently begun to investigate the effects of ostracism in children.

Grants
ARC Discovery Grant (co-investigator with Michelle Moulds; 2006-2008): Developing strategies to ameliorate the aversive effects of ostracism, $200,000

Conference Presentations/Abstracts


Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Journal of Experimental Social Psychology (3)
Journal of Clinical and Social Psychology (1)

Professional Affiliations
Society of Australasian Social Psychologists (SASP)
Society of Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)
International Association for Relationship Research

Other Contributions
Dr Hisham Abu-Rayya

Research Interests
* Cross-cultural transitions/Acculturation and adjustment.
* Inter-group and inter-personal relations and dynamics.
* Faith/religious (particularly Islamic) identity of adolescents and adults.
* Psychology of religion/Religiosity and mental health.
* Mixed-ethnic marriages.
* Marriage happiness.
* Ageing.
* Statistics, methodology, and data theory.

Grants

Publications

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Mental Health, Religion & Culture (2)
International Journal of Psychology (2)

Professional Affiliations
Community of Science (COS).
Muslims in Britain Research Network.
Australian Centre on Quality of Life (ACQOL).
Grandparenthood and Intergenerational Relationships in Aging European Populations Network.
Dr Ehsan Arabzadeh

Research Interests
My general interests include: Systems Neuroscience; Sensory coding; Multi-sensory integration; Information transmission in neural systems

I am currently a HFSP long term fellow working with Associate Professors Justin Harris and Colin Clifford. My research is focused on multi-sensory integration. How does the brain combine different senses to produce a coherent, unified percept of the world?

Grants
The Human Frontier Science Program long term fellowship (2007-2009)

Publications


Conference Presentations/Abstracts
Arabzadeh E, Clifford CWG, Harris J. The interaction between vision and touch. 7th Human Frontier Science Program Awardees Meeting, Australia, July 18-21, 2007

Arabzadeh E, Clifford CWG, Harris J. The pedestal effect of vision on touch. 8th International Multisensory Research Forum, University of Sydney, July 5-7, 2007

Arabzadeh E, Clifford CWG, Harris J. Pedestal effects on tactile perception. 34th Experimental Psychology Conference, Canberra, Australia, April 13-15, 2007

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
The Proceedings of the Royal Society (1)
Experimental Brain Research (2)
Neuroscience Letters (1)
PLoS One (1)

Grant Reviewing
NH&MRC Research Grant

Other Contributions
• Invited Lecturer at the 5th Borsellino College on Neurophysics: Spike trains to actions: Brain basis of behaviour International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP), Trieste, Italy September 3-14, 2007
• Colloquium: School of Psychology, University of NSW. 25 July, 2007
Dr Ann M. Burgess

Research Interests
The vestibular system; testing otolith function with bone-conducted vibration; Listing's plane; optokinetic torsion; applying the mathematics of 3d rotations to the vestibular system and to eye rotations.

Publications

Conference Presentations/Abstracts


Yvette E. Smulders, Ian S. Curthoys, Ann M. Burgess, Miriam S. Welgampola, G. Michael Halmagyi (2007) Why is the early negative component (n10) in ocular vestibular evoked myogenic potentials (oVEMPs) different from the early blink reflex R1? Presented at the 17th annual Clinical and Scientific Meeting of the Neuro-otology Society of Australia, Alfred Hospital, Melbourne, 1 December 2007.

Other Contributions
Contributed to organising the 17th annual Clinical and Scientific Meeting of the Neuro-otology Society of Australia, Alfred Hospital, Melbourne, 1 December 2007.
**Dr John Cass**

**Research Interests**
The major theme of my research is the investigation of perceptual and sensory dynamics. This involves psychophysical investigation into how visual processes evolve over time as well as the perceptual mechanisms of visual and auditory temporal resolution. Other work is concerned with understanding the perceptual effects of context on various visual properties. This work includes examination of centre-surround interactions, visual crowding and contour integration and segmentation.

**Grants**
- **Recipient:** John Cass
- **Project Title:** Filters reveal what flicker conceals
- **Funding Body:** Australian Research Council

**Conference Abstracts/ Presentations**
Dr Ilona Juraskova

Research Interests
Over the past 8 years, I have pursued my clinical and research interest in the field of Psycho-Oncology. My specific areas of interest include: doctor-patient communication, medical decision-making and risk communication, exploration and evaluation of quality of life and psycho-sexual adjustment of adults with cancer, and evaluation of cancer support services.

Grants
2007 Cancer Institute NSW Early Career Development Fellowship. Improving treatment decision making in ovarian cancer: The role of decision aids. Juraskova I ($592,733)

2007 Psycho-Oncology Co-operative Research Group (PoCoG) Travel Grant. Improving informed consent to clinical trials: A randomised controlled trial of a decision aid for women invited to participate in the breast cancer prevention trial (IBIS-II). Juraskova I ($1,716)

2007-2008 Sydney Cancer Centre Foundation Research Grant. Improving communication and decision making about treatment options for asymptomatic ovarian cancer patients with rising CA-125: The development and pilot of a Decision Aid. Carter J, Juraskova I, Nattress K, Harrison J, Dalrymple C, Pather S, Beale P ($50,000)


2005-2007 National Breast Cancer Foundation Project Grant Improving informed consent: A randomised controlled trial of a decision aid for women invited to participate in IBIS-II. Butow P, Forbes J, Coates A, Boyle F, McCarthy N, Juraskova I ($264,990 - grant relinquished in mid 2005, as funded by the KOMEN Foundation)


Publications


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


I Juraskova, P Butow, J Forbes, A Coates, F Boyle, N McCarthy. Improving informed consent to clinical trials: A randomised controlled trial of a decision aid for women invited to participate in the breast cancer prevention trial (IBIS-II). The 29th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Australian New Zealand Breast Cancer Trials Group (ANZ BCTG), Alice Springs, NSW Australia, July 2007 (Paper)
I Juraskova, P Butow, L Sharpe, R Robertson. “Five years later…” Psychosexual adjustment following treatment for various gynaecological conditions. The 18th World Congress of Sexual Health, Sydney, April 2007 (Paper)

**Research Supervision**

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<td>OVERcome (Olive oil Vaginal Exercise and Replens): An intervention study to improve sexual function in women with breast cancer.</td>
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**Research Related Professional Activities**

**Manuscript Reviewing**

Health Expectations (1)
Psycho-Oncology (1)

**External Theses Examination**

The University of Melbourne - Doctor of Psychology (Health)
Title: “Adjustment to cancer and the information needs and seeking of lung cancer patients”

**Professional Affiliations**

1999 – present NSW Psychologists Registration Board
2001 – present Clinical Oncological Society of Australia (COSA)
2003 – present International Psycho-Oncology Society (IPOS)
2006 – present Australian New Zealand Breast Cancer Trials Group (ANZ BCTG)

**Other Memberships**

2000 – present Psychologists in Oncology Group
2002 – present Psycho-Oncology Palliative Care research group (POPC)
2005 – present Psycho-oncology Co-operative Group (PoCoG)
2005 – present Qualitative Health Research Collaboration (QHeRC)

**Other Contributions**

Interview with an editor of the US Institutional Review Board (IRB), Suzanne Koziatek, published in the IRB Advisor, October 2007. Title: “The role of decision aids in improving informed consent to clinical trials”

Basic Sciences in Oncology Course (BSOC), Cancer Institute NSW Seminar: “Cancer Survivorship”
Year 2 Graduate Diploma in Medicine Lecture Series: Oncology Block; Faculty of Medicine, University of Sydney Guest lecturer (x2): “Patient Expectations and Outcomes” and “Patient Needs and Satisfaction”

Research in Oncology and Medical Psychology seminar series, University of Sydney
Title: “Sex and cancer: What are we up to?: Promoting sexual well-being following cancer treatment”
Dr Evan Livesey

Research Interests
My research is broadly concerned with learning and its relation to stimulus representation, attention and visual cognition. This includes specific interests in:
- Discrimination learning and stimulus generalization
- Stimulus representation in associative learning
- The relationship between learning and attention
- Implicit learning and automaticity
- Associations and reasoning in causal judgements

Publications


Conference and Seminar Presentations


Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Journal of Experimental Psychology: Animal Behavior Processes (1)
Dr Hamish G. MacDougall

Research Interests

Head-eye coordination during vehicle operation
We are interested in the combination of head and eye movements required to stabilize gaze for clear vision in complex inertial environment such as those generated by vehicles. We assess the head and eye movements of expert and novice vehicle operators in: commercial flight simulators, the NASA space shuttle simulator, driving simulators and in real cars. Analysing a subject’s ‘Point of Regard’ (or where they are looking) can reveal what they are attending to (or thinking about) while performing complex behaviours. This information will help us understand the strategies and skills of expert operators and to help teach these skills to novices.

Balance posture and locomotion
We use computerized dynamic postureography, tests of dynamic visual acuity, and motion capture technology to try to understand normal balance, posture and locomotion. We also assess the impact of inappropriate balance function in patients with vestibular dysfunction, astronauts with space adaptation syndrome, and normal subjects undergoing galvanic vestibular stimulation in order to develop diagnostic tests and rehabilitation methods.

Grants

04-08 Head-eye coordination during simulated Orbiter landing - NNJ04HF51G NASA 6/1/04-5/31/09. CoI.

04-09 Pilot study of artificial gravity as a multi-system countermeasure to bed rest deconditioning - NNJ04HD66G NASA 4/1/04-3/30/07. CoI.

05-07 Galvanic vestibular stimulation (GVS) augmented training for exploration class missions - SM00801 NASA/NSBRI. 10/1/05-9/30/06. CoPI.

06-10 Validation of centrifugation as a countermeasure for otolith deconditioning during spaceflight (SPIN) and validation of a specific drug against g-level transition induced spatial disorientation and orthostatic intolerance (SPIN-D). Life Sciences Research, ESA, CoI.

06-09 Functional Assessment of Head-eye Coordination during Driving - DP0665402 Australian Research Council Discovery Grant. 03/31/06-02/28/09. APD

Publications


Steven T Moore, PhD; Hamish G MacDougall, PhD; Jean-Michel Gracies, MD. Locomotor response to levodopa in fluctuating Parkinson’s disease. Movement Disorders. Experimental Brain Research 2007 (Received: 27 March 2007; Accepted: 16 August 2007; Published online: 8 September 2007).

Steven T Moore, PhD; Hamish G MacDougall, PhD; Jean-Michel Gracies, MD, PhD; Helen S Cohen, DEd; William G Ondo, MD. Long-term monitoring of gait in Parkinson's disease. Gait and Posture, Volume 26, Issue 2, July 2007, Pages 200-207 (Received 4 May 2006; revised 21 July 2006; accepted 8 September 2006; Published online 13 October 2006).
Dr Scott McDonald

Research Interests
I am interested in understanding how the images that fall on the retinas, are processed by the human brain. At the moment I chiefly use the new technique of functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) supplemented with visual psychophysics as tools to investigate this processing. The stimuli I use are mostly derived from linear systems analysis although, where possible, they are designed to imitate the structure native to natural scenes. Because I am interested in the initial basic processing of visual input, I am able to use a Region Of Interest (ROI) based approach for the fMRI analysis because the early areas of the visual system are relatively well characterized.

Conference Presentations/Abstracts

Other Contributions
Colloquia at UNSW, entitled “Perceived contrast in natural scenes”.
Dr Melanie Price

Research Interests
My primary area of research is psychosocial aspects of cancer, including psychosocial risk factors for developing cancer, the impact of being at high genetic risk of developing cancer, and the psychosocial factors that affect the course and outcome of cancer for patients and their carers. Current research projects include collaborations with the Kathleen Cuningham Consortium for Research into Familial breast cancer (kConFab) and the Australian Ovarian Cancer Study (AOCS). My primary collaborators include Professor Phyllis Butow, Dr Penny Webb, A/Professor Bettina Meiser, Dr Kathy Tucker, Dr Elizabeth Hovey.

Grants
Hovey E, Barton M, Koh, E-S, Price M, Moylan E. Cancer Institute NSW Health Services Innovation Grant. Neuro-oncology Clinical Care Coordinator (NOCC) for Sydney South West Area Health Service (SSWAHS), Western Zone. 2007-2008: $97,000.


Publications


Conference Presentations/Abstracts


**Research Related Professional Activities**

*Manuscript Reviewing*

Social Science and Medicine (2)
Supportive Care in Cancer (2)

*Professional Affiliations*

International Psycho-Oncology Society (Member)
International Society for Quality of Life Research (Member)
Clinical Oncological Society of Australia (Member)
Australian Psychological Society (Associate Member)
Kathleen Cuningham Consortium for Research into Familial Breast Cancer Executive Committee (Member)
Human Research Ethics Committee, University of Sydney (Member)
Familial Cancer: Research and Practice 2007 (conference organising committee)
University of Sydney Cancer Research Network (Sydney Cancer Conference 2008 working group)

*Other Contributions*


Workshop Facilitator: Communication skills training for Graduate Medical Program students. 2007. The University of Sydney. The Pam MacLean Cancer Communication Centre.


Emeritus Professor Robert A. Boakes

Research interests
My major interest is in the psychology of learning, ranging from research involving animals to aspects of human learning, including the application of laboratory-based principles to real-life problems. Current projects listed below include some which involve collaboration with other researchers in the Sydney region or with postgraduate students under my supervision.

- Changing perception of odours and flavours.
- Aversion learning and extinction in rats.
- The relationships between activity, food intake and body weight in rats.
- Learning across long delays in humans and rats.
- Perceptual learning and wine expertise.
- Placebo effects.
- Autoshaping and instrumental learning.

Grants

Publications
Books

Refereed Journal Articles


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Research Supervision
Vicki de Prazer Ph.D, Sports performance under pressure

Daniel Costa PhD Persistence of performance despite delayed reinforcement
Ben Colagiuri  PhD  Placebo and nocebo effects
Alex Russell  MSc  Perceptual learning involving wine

**Research Related Professional Activities**

**Membership of Editorial Boards**

**Manuscript Reviewing**
Australian Journal of Grape and Wine (1)
Learning & Behavior (2)
Experimental Gerontology (1)

**Grant Reviewing**
ARC Discovery applications (3)

**Professional Affiliations**
Fellow of the Academy of the Social Sciences of Australia
Convenor: Australian Learning Group
Member: Experimental Psychology Society (UK)
Member: Psychonomic Society
Emeritus Professor Ian Curthoys

Research Interests
Balance function and dysfunction – the vestibular system of the inner ear – its normal operation and the development of clinical tests of balance function and providing the physiological basis for those tests. The anatomy and the physiology of this system and the oculomotor responses and the perceptual responses caused by vestibular stimulation.

Grants
Garnett Passe and Rodney Williams Memorial Foundation Project Grant. Clinical testing of vestibular function using bone conducted vibration. 2007 $85,910; 2008 $84,950; 2009 $84,950.

Australian Research Council Discovery Project. Functional assessment of head-eye coordination during driving. Curthoys IS, MacDougall HG. 2006 $90,000; 2007 $85,000; 2008 $80,000.

National Health and Medical Research Council Project Grant. The neural basis of clinical vestibular testing by bone conducted sound. Curthoys IS, Halmagyi GM. 2007 $83,750; 2008 $83,750; 2009 $83,750.

Publications
Chapters in Books


Journal Articles


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Yvette E. Smulders, Ian S. Curthoys, Ann M. Burgess, Miriam S. Welgampola, G. Michael Halmagyi (2007) Why is the early negative component (n10) in ocular vestibular evoked myogenic potentials (oVEMPs) different from the early blink reflex R1? Oral presentation at the 17th annual Clinical and Scientific Meeting of the Neuro-otology Society of Australia, Alfred Hospital, Melbourne, 30 November-1 December 2007.


Research Supervision

Samanthi Goonetilleke PhD Human ocular torsion and perception of line orientation

Hilal Uzun PhD Visualizing the vestibular and cochlear receptor structures of the inner ear

1) Student at the Electron Microscope Unit, main supervisor Dr Allan Jones. Ian is the associate supervisor.

Research Related Professional Activities

Membership of Editorial Boards

Experimental Brain Research
Brain Research Bulletin

Manuscript Reviewing

Experimental Brain Research (4)
Journal of Neurophysiology (3)
Acta Otolaryngologica (2)
Hippocampus (1)
Journal of the Association for Research in Otolaryngology (1)
Audiology and Neurotology (1)

Grant Reviewing

Australian Research Council (2)

Professional Affiliations

Member: Barany Society for Vestibular Research
Member: AAAS
Member: Society for Neuroscience
Member: Neuro-otological Society of Australia

Other Contributions


Curthoys, I. S. Bone-conducted vibration as a test of otolith function in human subjects. Informal seminar, Department of Neurology, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, 26 September 2007.


Curthoys, I. S. “Balance: basic vestibular function and clinical application.” Set of lectures presented at the Alfred Hospital, Melbourne, 29 November 2007, as part of the one-day Teaching Session on vestibular physiology and vestibular rehabilitation held by Ian Curthoys and Margie Sharpe preliminary to the 17th annual Clinical and Scientific Meeting of the Neuro-otology Society of Australia.
Honorary Professor Rod McDonald

Research Interests
Psychometric Theory, including specifically Structural Equation Models, Factor Models, and Item Response Models

Research Supervision
Lisa Karlov PhD Depression and negative life events

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Psychological Methods (2)
Psychological Medicine (1)
Psychological Assessment (1)

Professional Affiliations
Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences in Australia
Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society.
Psychometric Society
Society for Multivariate Experimental Psychology.
Honorary Associate Professor Cyril Latimer

Research Interests
The Scientific Status of Psychological Theory
Explanation in Psychology
Wholes and Parts
Instrumentalism and Realism in Psychological Theory
The Ontological Status of Theoretical Entities

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Behavior Research Methods (2)

Grant Reviewing
Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), United Kingdom (1)

Other Contributions
Macquarie University. Invited talk on SuperLab
Honorary Associate Professor Joel Michell

Research Interests
History & philosophy of quantitative methods in psychology

Publications


Conference Abstracts/Presentations

Research Supervision
Joshua McGrane PhD Unfolding the conceptualisation and measurement of ambivalent attitudes

Research Related Professional Activities
Manuscript Reviewing
Psychometrika (1)

Professional Affiliations
Member of the European Society for the History of the Human Sciences
Postgraduate Research
Degree Completions

Doctor of Philosophy

Tony Bertoia
*Thesis Title:* Source of stereotype bias.
*Supervisors:* Ros Markham and Alan Craddock

Stanton Bongers
*Supervisor:* Damian Birney

David Bowman
*Thesis Title:* Cognitive complexity.
*Supervisors:* Damian Birney and Jens Beckmann

Neeru Chadda
*Thesis Title:* Cross-cultural differences in the development of disgust and the negative self.
*Supervisors:* Ros Markham and Michael Walker

Samanthi Goonetilleke
*Thesis Title:* Torsional eye movements and perception.
*Supervisor:* Ian Curthoys

Mary Ellen Harrod
*Thesis Title:* Psychophysiology of individual differences.
*Supervisors:* Margaret Charles and Helen Beh

Kristan Kang
*Thesis Title:* EEG synchrony in task-related cognition.
*Supervisors:* Lea Williams and Evian Gordon

Nadine Kasparian
*Thesis Title:* Psychological consequences of genetic testing.
*Supervisors:* Phyllis Butow, Paul Meiser and Bettina Mann

Andrew McGrath
*Thesis Title:* The court process and recidivism.
*Supervisors:* Pauline Howie and Don Weatherburn

Samara McPhedran
*Thesis Title:* Differential vestibular stimulation and hippocampal theta frequency.
*Supervisors:* Ian Curthoys, David Grayson and Michael Halmagyi.

Joel Pearson
*Thesis Title:* Dynamics of visual awareness
*Supervisors:* Colin Clifford and David Alais

Michelle Pritchard
*Thesis Title:* Treatment adherence in paediatric cancer patients.
*Supervisors:* Phyllis Butow and Louise Sharpe

Katherine Ryan
*Thesis Title:* Cognitive abilities and simulated business environments.
*Supervisors:* Alan Craddock and Damian Birney

Gordon Spence
*Thesis Title:* Mindfulness and evidence-based coaching practices.
*Supervisors:* Anthony Grant and Michael Cavanagh

Murray Thompson
*Thesis Title:* The behavioural and biochemical effects of MDMA.
*Supervisors:* Iain McGregor and Mac Christie

Tamara Watson
*Thesis Title:* Dynamic object recognition
*Supervisors:* Colin Clifford and Branka Sephar

Thomas Whitford
*Thesis Title:* Brain tissue volume and symptom profiles in schizophrenia
*Supervisors:* Lea Williams, Anthony Harris and Tom Farrow
Master of Science

Lucy Albertella
*Thesis Title:* Resistance to Extinction of Conditioned preferences.
*Supervisors:* Justin Harris and Bob Boakes

Master of Psychology / Doctor of Philosophy

Michelle Maitz
*Thesis Title:* Characterisation of the mechanisms of frontal & temporal lobe amnesia
*Supervisors:* Michael Perdices and Ros Markham

Doctor of Clinical Psychology / Doctor of Philosophy

Michelle Wong
*Thesis Title:* Parental hope and despair for their children’s future.
*Supervisors:* Sandra Heriot and Louise Sharpe

Doctor of Clinical Psychology / Master of Science

Lisa Azizi
*Thesis Title:* The characterisation and neuropsychology of visual hallucinations in Lewy Body Dementia and Parkinson's Disease with Dementia
*Supervisors:* Diana Caine and Nicholas Cordato

Leah Curran
*Thesis Title:* Development of a new questionnaire to measure patients’ preference for involvement in medical decision making.
*Supervisors:* Phyllis Butow and Louise Sharpe

Helen Dean
*Thesis Title:* A study of Motivational Enhancement Therapy for inpatient eating disorder sufferers.
*Supervisors:* Stephen Touyz, Elizabeth Rieger and Christopher Thornton

Helga Hemberger
*Thesis Title:* The cognitive correlates of obsessive-compulsive symptomatology
*Supervisor:* Diana Caine

Sally-Anne Ramke
*Thesis Title:* CBT for chronic pain patients and their partners.
*Supervisors:* Louise Sharpe and Toby Newton-John

Daniella Toscano
*Thesis Title:* Learning deficit in first-episode and chronic psychosis: Implications for cognitive remediation therapy.
*Supervisors:* Diana Caine and Anthony Harris
Postgraduate Prizes and Scholarships 2007

Jessica Kingsford: The GDP Prize: Awarded to the student with the best performance in the Graduate Diploma in Psychology.

Fleur Harrison: Martin & Elizabeth Jane Simmat Prize: Awarded to the student with the best performance in the Graduate Diploma in Science (Psychology).

Nicky Abitz: A.H. Martin Prize: Awarded to the student who shows greatest proficiency in Part I of Doctor of Clinical Psychology.

Amy Willinge: Martin & Elizabeth Jane Simmat Prize: Awarded to the student with the best performance in Part II of the Doctor of Clinical Neuropsychology.


Samanthi Goonetilleke: H Tasman Lovell Memorial Medallion: Awarded to the student with the best PhD thesis awarded in the calendar year.

School Postgraduate Publication Prize
• Garth Hargreaves • Sally Monaghan • Ljiljana Sokolic • Thomas Whitford •

School Postgraduate Conference Presentation Prize
• Leonardo Gabales • Ainslie Hatch • Juliet Donald • Harold Willaby •

Australian Postgraduate Award (APA)
Deborah Apthorp Leo Gabales Amanda Parker
Myvan Bui Natassia Goode Kristi Paul
Ben Colagiuri Vanessa Loh Kiley Seymour
Blake Dear Damien Mannion Erin Weston
Elian Fink Joshua McGrane Harold Willaby
Kristina Fritz

Other Postgraduate Scholarships/Grants/Prizes
Ben Colagiuri Campbell Perry International Travel Scholarship
Kiley Seymour Campbell Perry International Travel Scholarship
Deepa Chauhan Australian Rotary Health Research Fund Scholarship
Garth Hargreaves Australian Brewers Postgraduate Scholarship
Evelyn Smith Lucy Firth Scholarship
Zoe Terpening Winifred O’Neill Scholarship
Lisa Karlov Margaret Stewart Scholarship
Ljiljana Sokolic ARC Postgraduate Scholarship
Thida Thein ARC Postgraduate Scholarship
Rachel Zordan ARC Postgraduate Scholarship
Fiona Pavlakis University Postgraduate Scholarship
Despina Sfakinos University Postgraduate Scholarship
Alex White Fulbright Scholarship
Sally Monaghan Sir Robert Menzies Research Scholarship
Best Poster Award at the 8th Annual National Center for Responsible Gaming Conference on Gambling and Addictions
Amy Willinge Medibank Private Safety and Clinical Improvement Incentive Pool Grant
Haryana Dhillon NHMRC Postgraduate Scholarship
Jane Phillips Pfizer Neurosciences Award
Sonia Haggman NHMRC Dora Lush PhD Scholarship
Sandy Vickerstaff Faculty of Science Postgraduate Research Prize
### Undergraduate Prizes and Scholarships 2007

**Claire Ainsworth:** *Lithgow Scholarship No. V for Psychology:* Awarded to the student placed first in Psychology 1, tenurable for one year.

**Betty Luu:** *Frank Albert Prize for Psychology:* Awarded to the student placed first in Psychology 2; tenurable for one year. *Lithgow Scholarship No. VI for Psychology:* Awarded to the student placed first in Psychology 2 tenurable for one year.

**Alice Norton:** *Blanka Buring Prize:* Awarded to the highest ranked Arts III student enrolled in Psychology.

**Alice Norton:** *Lithgow Scholarship No. VII for Psychology:* Awarded to the highest ranked student in Psychology 3, tenurable for one year.

**Hannah Pincham:** *Australian Psychological Society Prize for Honours:* Awarded to the highest ranked student in Psychology 4 (Honours).

**Rani Goodacre and Josephine Paparo:** *Dick Thomson Prize for Psychology 4:* Awarded for the best Empirical Thesis in Psychology 4 (Honours) in the area of social psychology.

**Vedran Vulovic:** *O’Neil Prize for Psychology 4:* Awarded for the best Theoretical Theses in Psychology 4 (Honours).

**Hannah Pincham:** *Dick Champion Prize for Psychology 4:* Awarded for the best Empirical Thesis in Psychology 4 (Honours) in the area of learning and/or motivation.

**Eugenie Batterby, Hannah Pincham and Fiona Walter** (shared jointly): *University Medal at Graduation:* Awarded to the students whose performance in the Honours year was of outstanding merit.

### School Prize for the student with the highest mark in each Unit of Study

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