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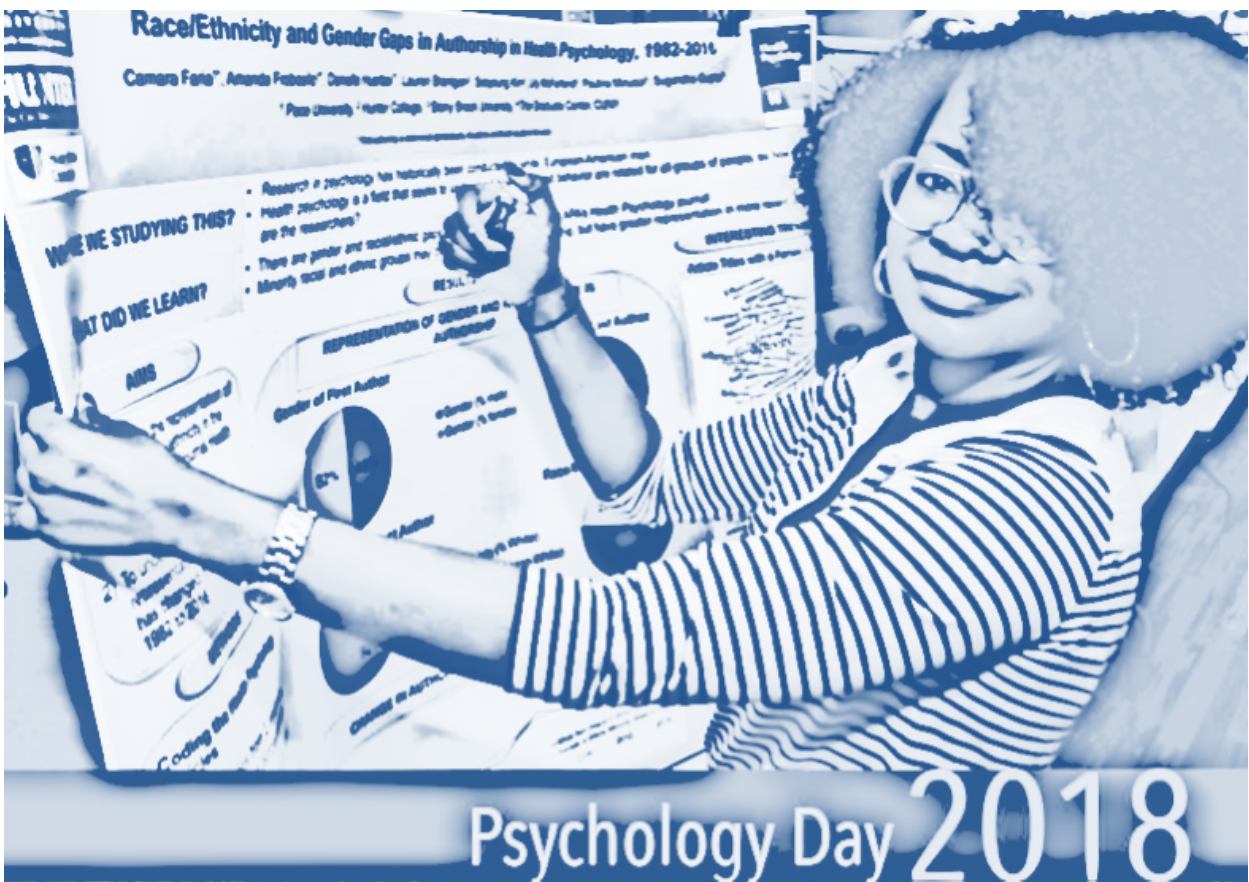
Psychology
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Program

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MAY 11, 2018
4:00 pm - 7:30 pm

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One Pace Plaza
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Welcome and thank you for joining us for the 26th Annual Pace Psychology Conference, featuring research presentations by undergraduate and graduate students from throughout the New York City metropolitan area.

This year's conference is hosted by the Pace University Dyson College of Arts and Sciences' Department of Psychology NYC, the Pace University Chapter of Psi Chi – The International Honors Society in Psychology, and the Pace University Graduate Student Psychology Association.

For more information about the 26th Annual Psychology Conference, visit www.pace.edu/psychconferences.

PROGRAM

FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2018

ONE PACE PLAZA, NEW YORK, NY 10038

Bianco Room | Spruce Street Entrance | Level B

3:30 PM – 6:00 PM Registration (Free)
 Presenter Check-in

4:00 PM – 4:30 PM Welcome Address & Opening Remarks

4:30 PM – 5:45 PM Brief Presentation Scientific Sessions

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM Poster Presentation Scientific Sessions

7:00 PM – 7:20 PM Awards Presentation and Closing Remarks

BRIEF PAPERS

One Pace Plaza, Bianco Room

1. **Mental and Physical Health Among College Students: The Role of Physical Activity**
Channely Clark, Nik Juncaj, Amanda Viola, Mitchell Figueroa, and Andrew Serrano
Faculty Advisors: Drs. Guler Boyraz and Sonia Suchday
Pace University
 2. **Sleep Quality and Its Connection to Academic Success Amongst Undergraduate College Students**
Brooke Delvecchio and Tania Medina
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Christopher Godfrey
Pace University
 3. **Perceptual Load Theory and Working Memory Evaluated within Auditory Modality**
Katherine Medina and Carol Lituma
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Robert Melara
Pace University
 4. **Growing Up in Single-Parent Household: How Family Structure Affects Interpersonal Relationships and Coping Mechanisms Among Young Adults**
Elanee Rodriguez and Carlina Baptista
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Weihua Niu
Pace University
 5. **Living in the Urban Jungle: How Human-Animal Interactions and Bonds, Physical Activity and Social Support Affect Happiness**
Teresa Corrente, Stephanie Orioli and Isabelle Levere
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Weihua Niu
Pace University
 6. **Tabletop Role-Playing Games and Social Skills in Young Adults**
Lily Spinelli
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Brandon Adams
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POSTER SESSION PRESENTATIONS

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Track 1: Health and Mental Health Psychology

1. **Mental Health Literacy and Self-Stigma of Seeking Help Among College Students**
Andrew Serrano, Mitchell Figureoa, Amanda Viola, Nik Juncaj and Channely Clark,
Faculty Advisors: Guler Boyraz and Sonia Suchday.
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2. **Intrinsic Motivation and Personality in Individuals Interested in Medical Careers**
Ashley Marie Nunez
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Brandon Adams
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3. **Exploring the Relationship Between Gratitude and Physical Health**
Alexa Prodromakis
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Brandon Adams
Pace University
4. **Gender Differences in Alcohol Use Among College Students As a Way to Cope with Emotions**
Raven Rafiq, John Chilelli and Yelizaveta Kravtsiv
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Brandon Adams
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5. **Social Media Usage and Its Influence on Body Image in Young Adults: A Focus on Gender Differences**
Luke Pilinko and Devna Mehra
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Christopher Godfrey
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Track 2: Psychology of Creativity

6. **Parenting and Divergent Thinking: Predicting the Quality of Creative Productions**
Ira Lowinger, Yesenia Vasquez, Nils Myszkowski and Baptiste Barbot
Faculty Advisor: Drs. Nils Myszkowski and Baptiste Barbot
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7. **Separation of Selves: The Consciousness of Actors During a Performance**
Madison Oberndorf and Thalia Goldstein
Faculty Advisors: Drs. Thalia Goldstein and Christopher Godfrey
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8. **Color, emotion and creativity: How color-induced emotion affect creativity**
Akruhi Patel & Olivia Paige
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Weihua Niu
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9. **Creativity Development among Chinese Adults**
Yifan Zhang and Sophia Braha
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Weihua Niu
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Track 3: Cognition

10. **Auditory Distraction and Working Memory**
Sarah Davis
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Weihua Niu
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11. **The Effects of Music Influencing Emotion and Memory**
Angela Prestigiacommo and Cristina Guzman
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Weihua Niu
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12. **The Relationship between Music and Mood**
Nicole LaGravinese
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Christopher Godfrey
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13. **The Behavioral Effects of Target Load Manipulation: Testing the Perceptual Load Theory using the Gabor Eriksen Flanker Task**
Tatiana Varela, Arooj Abid, Shivani Sajikumar and Shayne A. Thomas
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Robert D. Melara
City College of the City University of New York

Track 4: Social Psychology and Group Relations

14. **Willingness to Die for One's Faith Negatively Predicts Parochial Hostility Towards Outgroups**
Rubina Mohammed
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Ian Hansen
York College of the City University of New York
16. **How Being Pro-Trump vs. Pro-Standing Rock Predicts Support for 2016 Presidential Candidates**
Kiwon Brown
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Ian Hansen
York College of the City University of New York

17. **The Standing Rock Water Protector Movement is The Anti-Trump**

Chaddea Marshall

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18. **Self-Esteem Measured Among Different Racial Ethnicities**

Surena Singh and Brittany McDonald

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Brandon Adams

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19. **Racial Perception and Criminality**

Fresna Jean Baptiste, Raveena Phichitsingh and Michael Jones

Faculty Advisor: Brandon Adams

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20. **Decoding Social Stereotypes**

Jennifer Huang and Olivia E. Germuth

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Christopher Godfrey

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Track 5: Global Psychology and Culture

21. **Acculturation of Chinese Cultural Background International Students Who Study Abroad**

Ho Yin Tang

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Brandon Adams

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22. **The Impact of Social Support Helps to Reduce Perceived Stress Among Female College Students in India**

Natasha Grujicic, Suchun Dong, and Sonia Suchday

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Sonia Suchday

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Track 6: Development

23. **Childhood Social Support as a Moderator of the Relationship Between Childhood Trauma and Posttraumatic Stress in Adulthood**

Breeann Baptiste, Cynthia Kassin, and Alexis Ferguson

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Guler Boyraz

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24. **The Relationships between Personality, College Major or Profession and Preferred Coping Strategies**

Alyse Wells

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Christopher Godfrey

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25. **Looking Deeper into the Toy Box: An Analysis of Toys Marketed for Infants**
Ashley Quinones, Iris Nguyen, Zomely Grullon, Alexis Ferguson, Jennifer M. Zosh and Brenna Hassinger-Das
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Brenna Hassinger-Das
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 27. **Nonverbal Behavior in Mother-Infant Dyadic Interactions: Developing a Scale for Exploration of How Individual State and Relational Dynamics Interlace**
Stacey Beach, Sarah Quintano, Krystal Vega, Rogelio Suriel, Vanessa Vitello & K. Mark Sossin
Faculty Advisor: Dr. K. Mark Sossin
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