Spring 2014 Psychology Colloquium Series

The Department of Psychology is proud to present the following colloquium speaker series. All presentations are scheduled in Sierra Hall 322 from 12-1 PM.

**Jan 31 - Kathy Espino-Perez**
Kathy is a first year PhD student at UCSB who graduated from our GE and undergraduate programs. Kathy has been doing research with Brenda Major in the areas of stereotyping and prejudice and has been working on a project related to interracial distrust.

**Feb 7 - Lawrence Patihis**
Lawrence is a third year PhD student at UCI who graduated from our undergraduate program. Lawrence has been working with Elizabeth Loftus on research related to false memories.

**Feb 21 - Nikki Sullivan**
Nikki is a fourth year PhD student at Caltech. Nikki researchers decision making using fMRI and examines the effects of aging on economic valuation with Antonio Rangel.

**Feb 28 - Gerardo Ramirez, PhD**
Gerardo is a graduate of our undergraduate program and is currently an Assistant Professor at UCLA's Graduate School of Education and Information Studies. Gerardo conducts research examining the cognitive and neural mechanisms implicated in choking under pressure.

**Mar 7 - Oana Tudusciuc MD, PhD**
Oana is a post-doctoral fellow at Caltech. In collaboration with Ralph Adolphs, Oana examines the role of the amygdala and the prefrontal cortex in emotion processing, using intracranial recordings in humans.

**Mar 28 - Sara Berzenski, PhD**
Sara is the most recent addition to our full-time faculty. Sara conducts research investigating how emotional development changes as a consequence of child maltreatment and methods for attenuating the detrimental consequences of such maltreatment.

**Apr 4 - John Monterosso, PhD**
John is an Associate Professor of Psychology at USC where he investigates the role of self-control in the decision making process. His research employs neuroimaging methodologies to identify the neural correlates implicated in exerting self-control when delaying gratification and overcoming drug addiction.

**Apr 18 - Brenda Major, PhD**
Brenda is a Professor of Psychology at UCSB. Brenda is a world-renowned social psychologist. Brenda has published over 150 refereed articles and book chapters. She is best known for the research she has done focusing on the effects of discrimination and prejudice from the perspective of those who are stigmatized.
May 2 - Saul Miller, PhD
Saul is an evolutionary psychologist who has published in the areas of romantic attachment, social connectedness, and stereotyping and prejudice. As an evolutionary psychologist, Saul attempts to develop functional explanations for fundamental psychological processes and does so using behavioral and endocrine measures. Before deciding to leave the ivy tower to pursue a new career path, Saul was an Assistant Professor at the University of Kentucky.