### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Thursday, April 30th, 2009**  
Dissertation Defense—Johanna Fain Morrow  
A302, 1:30 PM  
“Evaluation of a Program to Decrease Disproportionate Representation of Racial and Ethnic Minority Students in Special Education”  
Committee Members: Susan Forman, Lewis Gantwerk

**Sunday, May 3rd, 2009**  
GSAPP Alumni and Dean’s Office Celebration Brunch  
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**Monday, May 4th, 2009**  
Clinical PsyD Faculty Meeting  
A302, 10:00—11:30 AM

**Peterson Prize Colloquium**  
Jeffrey Lackner  
“The Science and Evidence-Based Practice of Health Psychology: The Case of Irritable Bowel Syndrome”  
A317, 12:00—1:15 PM  
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**Wednesday, May 6th, 2009**  
Culture Conference Committee Meeting  
A302, 11:00 AM—12:00 PM

**Monday, May 11th, 2009**  
Applied Department & School Psych Faculty Meeting  
A302, 1:00—4:00 PM

**Tuesday, May 12th, 2009**  
Dissertation Defense—Jane Liau-Gray  
A302, 10:00 AM  
“A Postmodern Critique of Psychology’s Representation of Asian Americans”  
Committee Members: Nancy Boyd-Franklin, Nancy McWilliams

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**Friday**  
October 16th, 2009  
Annual GSAPP Culture Conference
DEAN’S CORNER

I am pleased to inform you that Johnson & Johnson has renewed funding for the Clinic program, “Development of Greater Affordable Therapeutic Services to the Local Underserved Community, Innovation, and Excellence in Training Behavioral Healthcare Professional, and ‘Seeding’ the Growth of the Psychological Clinic.” The grant is for $30,000 and will be used to support the PACT (substance abuse) program in the Clinic.

Congratulations to Don Morgan and Mary Chrow for initiating the original grant, which brought $40,000 to the Clinic, and this continuation of it.

Helene White (PI) and Eun-Young Mun (co-PI) have applied for a 2 year grant entitled “Persistence and Desistence in Heavy Drinking and Violence”

Stan Messer, Dean

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Please note: It is expected that all students will attend the:

PETERSON PRIZE COLLOQUIUM

Jeffrey Lackner, Psy.D., GSAPP 1992
Behavioral Medicine Clinic, Department of Medicine,
University at Buffalo Medical School, State University of New York
“The Science and Evidence-Based Practice of Health Psychology:
The Case of Irritable Bowel Syndrome”

Monday, May 4th, 2009 * Room A317 * Noon-1:15

From the Peterson Prize award announcement

“...awarded a major treatment grant from the National Institute of Health,... a prolific and prominent scholar... a national leader in the field of behavioral medicine,... an exemplary graduate and a richly deserving recipient of the Peterson Prize.”

From the introduction to his book

“...it is rare to find such an authoritative, scientifically up-to-date, and easily understandable book that ultimately empowers the patient....What makes this book even stronger is that Dr. Lackner has already demonstrated in high quality clinical trials that [his] approach really works, even with the most severe forms of IBS.” (Dr. E. Mayer, Director of the Center of Neurosciences and Women’s health at UCLA)
POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP POSITIONS

The Center for HIV/AIDS Educational Studies and Training (CHEST) of Hunter College, City University of New York, is hiring for the following Postdoctoral Fellowship positions: Clinical/Counseling Psychology; and LGBT Policy-Relevant Research. We are also hiring an Assistant Project Director (MA required).

**Post-Doctoral Fellowship Positions**

**Clinical/Counseling:** this position will be approximately 60% clinical research and approximately 40% clinical practice. Research duties involve authoring and co-authoring manuscripts, assisting with grant writing, and collaborating with investigators on clinical research ethics and operations issues. Clinical duties involve provision of intervention content, based on motivational interviewing (MI) and/or cognitive behavior therapy (CBT), to study participants, as well as provision of individual and group supervision in these modalities to BA- and MA-level intervention counselors. Clinical supervision by a NY State licensed psychologist is available.

Requirements: PhD or ABD in Clinical/Counseling Psychology; experience with clinical research related to health psychology; proficiency with (or strong interest in) MI, CBT, or preferably both intervention techniques, and interest in sexuality and substance use research.

**LGBT Policy Research:** This position will involve research and policy-relevant work focused on LGBT issues. The fellow will be responsible for the management of a longitudinal study of gay male couples pursuing fatherhood via surrogacy, as well as the development and implementation of other LGBT policy-related research studies. Opportunities exist for the development of independent projects/areas.

Requirements: PhD or ABD in social sciences; and significant research experience (as evidenced by previous project management and peer reviewed publications).

Research mentorship for the Post-Doctoral Fellowship positions is available from senior researchers with impressive grant funding histories. All three positions will provide excellent training for early-career researchers who require more publications and grant-writing experience prior to applying for tenure-track positions.
POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP POSITIONS CONT'D

Assistant Project Director Position: This position will involve assisting with day-to-day project coordination for a randomized controlled trial of an intervention designed to improve HIV medication adherence and reduce methamphetamine use among HIV+ gay and bisexual men. Duties include qualitative and quantitative data collection, management, analyses, and interpretation; supervision and training of other research staff, interns, and volunteers; assistance with project planning; direct contact with research participants via interviews, assessments, and screening; participant scheduling and tracking; and assistance with the dissemination of research findings.

Requirements: MA in social sciences; knowledge of research methodology; proficiency with SPSS; and interest in sexuality and substance use research.

Interested applicants should email a CV and cover letter to Dr. Jeffrey Parsons, Co-Director, at jparsons@chestnyc.org

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FAMILY THERAPY COURSE

Some students have expressed an interest in a one-semester family therapy course, and thus I am considering the possibility of teaching my family Treatment of Childhood Disorders course (18:820:615:01) this fall, provided that a sufficient number of students are interested and able to do the same time slot. What follows is the course description, and I’d appreciate it if interested students can contact me about the feasibility of teaching it at a mutually acceptable time slot this fall.

Course description: This course provides a representative sampling of empirically supported cognitive behavioral treatments and systems oriented treatments for families having children with a range of behavioral emotional and developmental disorders. These disorders include internalizing, externalizing and developmental disorders, as well as disorders related to common family issues. Via the lectures and readings of an integrated cognitive behavioral (especially parent training) and family systems (especially structural) orientation, and will participate in experiential in-class activities such as role plays. This class is for students of all levels who want to learn a CBT and/or systems approach to treating families.

Again, please contact me at skelly@rci.rutgers.edu if you have any interest in this course for the fall.

Thanks!

Shalonda Kelly
The GSAPP Alumni Organization and the GSAPP Dean’s Office invite you to a:

CELEBRATION BRUNCH

We will be celebrating and honoring our alumni, especially

**Dorothy Cantor, Psy.D ’76 - 2009 Hall of Distinguished Alumni Inductee**

**Jeffrey Lackner, Psy.D ’92 - 2008 Peterson Prize Winner**

**Fred Rotgers Psy.D, ’83 – 2009 GSAPP AO Distinguished Career Award Winner**

**David Panzer Psy.D, ’84 – 2009 GSAPP AO Grace K. Smith Meritorious Service Award Winner**

Don’t miss this wonderful opportunity to see old friends, meet new students, and reminisce with current and former faculty members while enjoying great food and listening to the GSAPP Band “Group Therapy”.

**Date**

Sunday, May 3, 2009  11:00 am – 2:00 pm

**Where**

Life Sciences Building Atrium, Busch Campus, 145 Bevier Road, Piscataway NJ 08854

Life Sciences is one block from GSAPP, and has ample parking.

**Cost**

$20 – Current GSAPP students, students’ guests, children 8-17

$40 – GSAPP alumni, faculty, staff and guests

Free for children 7 and under

Please send your check, payable to GSAPP Alumni Organization, no later than April 24, 2009 to:

GSAPP Alumni Organization / Brunch
GSAPP, 152 Frelinghuysen Road
Piscataway, NJ 08854

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