

Newsletter

of the University of Regina
Clinical Psychology Program



Greetings from the Director of Clinical Training, Lynn Loutzenhiser (PhD, RD Psych).

Welcome to the 2015/2016 academic year in the University of Regina Clinical Psychology Program. I began work as the DCT in May, 2015, when Dr. Heather Hadjistavropoulos, who had been our program's DCT for the past 14 years, stepped down from this role. I want to acknowledge Heather's significant contributions to our program over these 14 years. Her hard work and commitment to excellence has led to our clinical program being the strongest it has ever been. Thanks Heather! I also want to thank Dr. Kristi Wright, who has generously stepped into my former role as the Clinical Placement Coordinator. Kristi and I look forward to working with all of you.

There has also been much to celebrate in our program over the past year. First, I am very excited to welcome two new clinical faculty members to the program: Dr. Jennifer Gordon and Dr. Shadi Beshai. Please take a look at their biographies and research interests on the faculty page. Second, we had the grand

opening of the Sun life Financial Psychology Training Clinic last fall, and we were able to provide in-house mental health services in this state-of-the art facility to a number of children and their families, as well as adults, living in the Regina area. Third, we had an accreditation site visit in February from CPA, and look forward to hearing the results of this visit sometime in October. Thank you to everyone for contributing to the Clinical Program. I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the annual fall reception.

~Lynn



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Clinical Seminar Series (please hold the following dates from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm in SunLife Financial Psychology clinic, CW 020):

All clinical students who have not yet completed comprehensive exams are required to attend, and community members and faculty are also invited to attend. All seminars will be held from in College West building in SunLife Financial Psychology clinic, CW 020 board room from 4:00 to 5:00 pm with the exception of December 10th, 2015 which will take place from 4:00 to 6:00 pm in CW 115. Also, October 8th, 2015 will be held in the Education Auditorium (EA 106). The seminars are designed to contribute to the clinical training of students and provide a forum for the discussion of important clinical issues among the MA and PhD students.

The schedule is as follows:

Fall 2015

September 24 – Dr. Jennifer Gordon (Conducting Therapy with Adolescents)

October 8 – Dr. Nick Titov (Internet Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (ICBT))

November 19 – Dr. Shadi Beshai (TBD)

December 10 – Brenda Dubois (The Medicine Wheel)

Winter 2016

February 25 – Kim Zorn & Holly Parkerson (Working Through Ethical Dilemmas)

March 17 – Sarah Reiser (A Clinical Case Study of Major Depression)

April 7 – Samantha Horswill (A Case Study of Depression with Anxious Distress)

If you have an interest in presenting, or have any questions, please email Kirstie Walker, the clinical seminar coordinator at Kirstie.Walker@uregina.ca.

Updates to the Clinical Program Manual & Brochure

The Clinical Program manual and the Clinical Program brochure have been updated.

You can find these materials at the following web address: <http://www.arts.uregina.ca/psychology>

Please help me welcome the following new MA students to our program



MARGARET (ERIN) BROWNE
Supervisor: Dr. T. Hadjistavropoulos



NICOLE FALLER
Supervisor: Dr. T. Hadjistavropoulos



KATHERINE MAZENC
Supervisor: Dr. L. Loutzenhiser



ISAAC HAHN
Supervisor: Dr. N. Carleton



VICTORIA (TORI) OWENS
Supervisor: Dr. H. Hadjistavropoulos



JULIA MASON
Supervisor: Dr. G. Asmundson

Please congratulate the following students who have defended their MA theses



ANDREEA TAMIAN

Title: Institutional Betrayal In The Medical System: Development, Reliability, And Validity Of A Self-Report Questionnaire
Supervisor: Dr. B. Klest



SARAH IVENS

Title: Fatigue In Parents Of Children With Autism Spectrum Disorder: The Role Of Parental And Child Factors For Mothers And Fathers
Supervisor: Dr. L. Loutzenhiser



MICHELLE TEALE SAPACH

Title: Exploring the Relationship Between Negative Social Experiences and Social Anxiety
Supervisor: Dr. N. Carleton



MELISSA WUERCH

Title: Support-Seeking and Quality of Life in Female Survivors of Intimate Partner Violence
Supervisor Dr. M. Hampton



ASHLEY VIKLUND

Title: Walking The Walk: Exploring The Utility Of A Computerized Gait Method In Feigned Symptom Detection
Supervisor: Dr. Thomas Hadjistavropoulos



JILL PRICE

Title: Children's mathematics anxiety and its effect on their conceptual understanding of arithmetic and arithmetic fluency
Supervisor Dr. Katherine M. Robinson

Please join me in congratulating students who recently completed the PhD program



MICHELLE MAKELKI

Dissertation title: Long-Term Neuropsychological and Psychosocial Consequences of Pediatric Mild Traumatic Brain Injury
Supervisor/Co-Supervisor: Dr. D. Alfano
Current position: Valley Care, Agassiz, BC



HEATHER ERITZ

Dissertation title: Life History, Nurse Empathy, and Aggressive Behaviours in Individuals with Dementia
Supervisor: Dr. T. Hadjistavropoulos
Current position: Psychologist, Child and Youth Services, RQHR



MICHEL THIBODEAU

Dissertation title: Development of Scales that Measure Disorder-Specific Intolerance of Uncertainty
Supervisor: Dr. Gordon Asmundson
Current position: Psychologist in the Eating Disorders Program, Toronto General Hospital



NICOLE ALBERTS

Dissertation title: Transdiagnostic Internet-Delivered Cognitive-Behaviour Therapy for Recent Cancer Survivors: A Feasibility Trial and Examination of Clinician Perspectives
Supervisor: Dr. Heather Hadjistavropoulos
Current position: Senior Psychology Fellow
Department of Rehabilitation Medicine
University of Washington, Seattle, WA



MATHEW FETZNER

Dissertation title: Investigating the Anxiolytic Effects of Aerobic Exercise for the Treatment of Posttraumatic Stress Disorder
Supervisor: Dr. Gordon Asmundson
Current position: Senior clinician at Odyssey Health Services in Ottawa Ontario.

Clinical Training

As you will see below students have been very busy with clinical training this year. We are very grateful to all of the supervisors that have worked with the students and invested in the future of clinical psychology!

FOUR MONTH INTERNSHIP

The following students completed the four month internship in 2014-2015:

- Melissa Wuerch – Regina Qu’Appelle Health Region, Child and Youth Services – Supervisors: Cindy McFayden and Mona Flood
- Michelle Teale Sapach – Regina Qu’Appelle Health Region, Mental Health Clinic – Supervisor: Drs. K. Owens and Shahlo Mustafaeva, MA.
- Andreea Tamaian – Regina Qu’Appelle Health Region, Mental Health Clinic – Supervisor: Heather Elliott
- Sarah Ivens – Prince Albert parkland Health Region, Prince Albert Mental Health Centre – Supervisor: Dr Lisa Berg-Kolody
- Christina D’Ambrosio – Centre for Addictions and Mental Health, Toronto, Sexual Behaviours Clinic-Supervisor: Dr. Ainslie Heasman

DOCTORAL CLINICAL PLACEMENTS

The following students completed a PhD practicum in 2014-2015:

- Sophie Duranceau – Regina Qu’Appelle Health Region, Child and Youth Services – Supervisor: Dr. Danielle Desourcy
- Daniel LeBouthillier – Regina Qu’Appelle Health Region, Mental Health Clinic – Supervisor: Dr. Meghan Woods
- Amy Hampton – Private Practice, CBI Physical Rehabilitation Centre –Supervisor: Dr. Katherine Owens

- Kirstie Walker – University of Regina SunLife Financial Training Clinic-Supervisor: Dr. Kristi Wright
- Clair Barefoot – University of Regina SunLife Financial Training Clinic-Supervisor: Dr. Heather Hadjistavropoulos
- Samantha Horwill – University of Regina SunLife Financial Training Clinic-Supervisor: Dr. Heather Hadjistavropoulos
- Dale Dirkse – Regina Qu’Appelle Health Region, Functional Rehabilitation Program-Supervisor: Dr. Dave West-Johnson
- Kimberly Zorn-Regina Qu’Appelle Health Region, Functional Rehabilitation Program-Supervisor: Dr. Tom Robinson
- Luke Schneider – Regina Qu’Appelle Health Region, Functional Rehabilitation Program-Supervisor: Dr. Murray Abrams
- Hollyanne Parkerson – University of Regina SunLife Financial Training Clinic-Supervisor: Dr. Kristi Wright
- Michelle Gagnon – Regina Qu’Appelle Health Region, Child and Youth Services – Supervisor: Dr. Bruce Gordon
- Bethany Gelinias- Regina Qu’Appelle Health Region, Child and Youth Services – Supervisor: Dr. Jenny Keller
- Lindsay Friesen – University of Regina SunLife Financial Training Clinic-Supervisor: Dr. Heather Hadjistavropoulos
- Omeed Ghandehari – University of Regina SunLife Financial Training Clinic-Supervisor: Dr. Lynn Loutzenhiser
- Patrick Welch -University of Regina SunLife Financial Training Clinic-Supervisor: Dr. Lynn Loutzenhiser
- Dale Dirkse - Ontario Shores Centre for Mental Health Sciences- Supervisors: Dr. Erica Martin and Dr. Krystle Martin

Congratulations to all students who held external funding this year

- Vanier CIHR – Sophie Duranceau & Michelle Gagnon
- CIHR – Lindsay Friesen, Bethany Gelinias, Holly Parkerson, Samantha Horswill, Joelle Soucy, Katherine Mazenc, Natasha Gallant, Sabine Solterni, Seint Kokokyi
- SSHRC – Kim Zorn, Melissa Wuerch, Sarah Reiser

Predoctoral Residency Completion

I am pleased to report that the following students have completed the predoctoral residency this year:

- Chelsea Delparte, Regina, Qu'Appelle Health Region
- Katherine McMillen, Saskatoon Health Region
- Nicole Alberts, University of Washington, Seattle
- Jasmin Dhillon, Centre for Mental Health, Addictions, Toronto
- Matthew Fetzner, Royal Ottawa Health Care Group
- Mike Thibodeau, Vancouver Coastal Health

Please wish the following students well as they move on to complete the predoctoral residency in 2015-2016:

- Michelle Gagnon, Sick Kids Hospital, Toronto
- Bethany Gelinas, London Clinical Psychology Residency
- Lindsay Friesen, Calgary Clinical Psychology Residency
- Jocelyne LeClerc, University of Arizona, Department of Psychiatry Predoctoral Psychology Internship Program
- Omed Ghandehari, Annapolis Valley District Health Authority
- Patrick Welch, Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region

Psychology 2015 Fall Reception

Please join us on Thursday, October 8th, 2015 for our annual Psychology Fall Reception to recognize the contributions of our students, supervisors, faculty and staff.

Date: Thursday, October 8, 2015

Colloquium: 4:15 p.m.

Award Presentations: 5:15 - 5:30 p.m.

Reception: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: Education Auditorium (ED 106)
(Reception) Education Rotunda
University of Regina, Main Campus

Prior to the awards presentation Dr. Nickolai Titov, Professorial Fellow at Macquarie University in Sydney Australia and Director of the eCentreClinic and MindSpot Clinic, will be giving a talk entitled "Australia's Mind Spot Clinic: Accessible, efficient and effective online assessment and treatment for anxiety and depression".

All are welcome.

Message from the PGSA

The PGSA would like to extend our warmest welcome to all new incoming Clinical and Experimental students to the Psychology Department in the Fall 2015 semester. As the PGSA represents all psychology graduate students at the University of Regina in the Clinical and Experimental Psychology Programs, our primary objective is to provide a means for students to contribute to and maximize their educational experience from their program, Department, and University. Broadly, our goals for the upcoming year will be to continue to provide information and support for psychology graduate students, promote psychology within our community, encourage collaboration between graduate and undergraduate students, support the Clinical Seminar Series, be an active component of the larger UofR Graduate Student Association, and foster communication between our members, the University, and outside organizations. We look forward to continuing to work towards these goals in the upcoming year.

The PGSA has taken pleasure in being involved in the community and on campus. A number of PGSA members volunteered to sit on committees that contribute to the running of the University of Regina through the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, and volunteered for events around campus. We had an active presence with the Graduate Students' Association, including membership on the GSA Executive. We were able to host a Psychology Awareness Day in February, which included a mental health awareness table in Riddell, and a series of TED Talks at the Owl. Many different faces in the PGSA were organizers, volunteers, and attendants of these events.

The PGSA is already planning a number of exciting events in the upcoming academic year in addition to our usual involvement around campus. Look forward to a Psychology Awareness Week and our many social events throughout the year. Information on these events as well as other community and campus activities can be found on our website (<http://uregina.ca/psychgsa/>), facebook page, and graduate student board outside the Department office.

In April, the 2015-2016 PGSA executive was elected. We are pleased to welcome many incoming executive members:

President: Daniel LeBouthillier
Vice President: Sarah Ivens
Secretary/Treasurer: Michelle Teale Sapach
Department Rep: Dale Dirkse
Clinical Committee Rep: Sophie Duranceau
EAP Rep: Kaila Bruer
GSA Rep: Natasha Gallant
Social Rep: Amy Hampton
External Relations: Joelle Soucy
Webmaster Rep: Seint Kokokyi
CPA Rep: Sabine Soltani
Faculty Liaison: Jeff Loucks

The PGSA would also like to congratulate our graduating members, Lindsay Friesen, Michelle Gagnon, Bethany Gelin, Omeed Ghandehari, Jocelyn LeClerc, and Patrick Welch, who will be attending their year of residency in 2014-2015. On behalf of the entire PGSA, thank you for your dedication to our organization and good luck in your future endeavours. We would like to thank the Department and University for a wonderful year and look forward to seeing everybody at our first Fall meeting and social event.

Faculty News

Dr. Gordon Asmundson is the President's Research Chair in Adult Mental Health (2011-2016) and continues to lead the Traumatic Stress Group and Anxiety and Illness Behaviours Lab. Recent research efforts of his team have helped to better understand the association between posttraumatic stress disorder and chronic pain as well as treating people who experience these conditions together. Current research efforts, supported by an operating grant from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (2013-2017), focused the evaluating the efficacy of and understanding mechanisms underlying aerobic exercise as an adjuvant and stand alone treatment for posttraumatic stress disorder.



Dr. Nicholas Carleton recently won a 5-year CIHR New Investigator Award to support his research into transdiagnostic elements of psychopathology. He is continuing his 5-year CIHR-funded research project exploring attentional biases and chronic pain, particularly fibromyalgia. He is actively working with the University of Regina on the development of a new Collaborative Centre for Justice and Safety, a centre that will include a significant focus on post traumatic stress disorder in RCMP, police, fire, EMS, and corrections officers, among others. In addition, he is continuing to publish on intolerance of uncertainty as a key transdiagnostic risk factor.



Dr. Heather Hadjistavropoulos worked on the Canadian Psychological Association accreditation application and site visit during the 2014-2015. She also continued to work on her program of research funded by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research), the Rx&D Health Research Foundation (Fostering Innovation in Healthcare Initiative) and the Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation (~\$708,000 value June 2013-2017). With the support of this research funding, she has been implementing and evaluating the use of Online Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (Online-CBT) for depression and anxiety in Saskatchewan. In the past 18 months, over 500 patients have received Online-CBT delivered by more than 40 community providers and 16 students. Increasingly over the past year, Dr. Hadjistavropoulos has been providing support to researchers/providers in B.C., Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, and Nova Scotia who have a similar interest to improve access to Online-CBT in Canada.



Dr. Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, ABPP, FCAHS, Research Chair in Aging and Health, was awarded the 2015 University of Regina Award for Excellence in Graduate Research Mentorship. In addition to his continuing grants from the Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation (valued at \$717,000) and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (valued at \$318,000), he was recently awarded additional funding from the AGE WELL network of Centres of Excellence for \$382,000. Among his many publications over the last 12 months is a first authored article published in the world's leading neurology journal, *Lancet Neurology*.



Dr. Mary Hampton continues to work on the SSHRC/CURA five-year, multi-region project entitled, "Rural and Northern Community Response to Intimate Partner Violence". She is the Saskatchewan academic coordinator of RESOLVE and focuses her community based research on intimate partner violence.



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Dr. Bridget Klest is continuing research funded by a 3-year establishment grant from Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation, for her project entitled “History of Exposure to Traumatic Stress and Healthcare Experiences.” In addition, she is working on several other research projects with collaborators within and outside the U of R related to the topics of exposure to trauma, health, and healthcare. She recently has been working with a group of graduate students to create a psychotherapy skills club, aimed at giving interested students opportunities to get additional practice with clinical skills. She is on maternity leave for the 2015-2016 academic year.

Dr. Lynn Loutzenhiser’s research efforts focus on issues affecting parents of young children, with a current focus on infant sleep, fatigue, and child anxiety. She has recently partnered with Dr. Heather Hadjistavropoulos and a group of researchers to develop an online intervention designed to help parents manage child anxiety.



Dr. Phillip Sevigny has been appointed to a two-year term position with Luther College. He continues his research on the changing roles of men in families with a focus on the associations between parenting beliefs and positive father involvement. Dr. Sevigny is also continuing his research with Dr. David Malloy exploring cross-cultural variance in understandings of existential courage.

Dr. Kristi Wright’s efforts continue to focus on exploring the many facets of preoperative anxiety in children and, in extension, seeking to improve intervention strategies for children receiving anesthesia services within the Canadian healthcare system. Drs. Wright, Heather Price and Katherine Robinson’s Canadian Innovation Foundation (CFI) funded state-of-the-art Child, Health, Learning and Development (CHLD) laboratory facility houses innovative research projects designed to understand and improve health and well-being of children. Dr. Wright is currently completing a research project funded by the Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation (SHRF) New Investigator Establishment Grant focused on developing and evaluating an interactive, Internet-delivered preoperative preparation program (I-PPP) for parents/guardians and their children who are to undergo a surgical procedure.



Welcome to our New Clinical Faculty Member(s):

The Department of Psychology has hired two new faculty members this year:

Dr. Shadi Beshai is a recent graduate of the CPA-accredited clinical psychology program at the University of Calgary. His research expertise is the area of cross-cultural differences in psychopathology, and he is particularly interested in differences in depression between the Middle East and Canada.



Dr. Jennifer Gordon just recently completed a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of North Carolina. She previously completed her PhD in the CPA-accredited clinical psychology program at McGill University in Montreal. Her research expertise is on the effects of hormones on depression in women, with a particular interest in estrogen and depression in perimenopausal women.



Richard MacLennan, Ph.D.
Professor & Head, Psychology

Greetings from Regina Qu'Appelle Health

Greetings from the RQHR! The past year has been full and exciting! This past year students have contributed greatly all over the health region including in Adult Therapy at the Mental Health Clinic (MHC), the Functional Rehabilitation Program, MHC Dialectical Behaviour-Informed Therapy Group, Children's Program, Child and Youth Services, the Bariatric Clinic, and the Outpatient Pediatric Clinic. The interest, training, and time students bring to each of these placements always equates to a value-added client service and a great experience for supervisors.

We are glad to report that we continue to get excellent feedback from our colleagues about having students involved with our clients, and all members of the health region are very eager and willing to continue to be involved in our students' training and development as future colleagues. In addition to treasuring the opportunity to be involved in the training of our future colleagues, we also greatly value the service students provide to our clients. For example, at the MHC this past year we tracked the contributions of students to our organization, just so that we could highlight how meaningful including them in our service can be for our clients. Over the past 12 months, the students at MHC worked with 335 individual clients (including individual, consultation clinic, groups, assessment, and ICBT), conducted 260 hours of assessments, and a whopping 1,120 hours of therapy!

In addition to MA and Ph.D. students from the U of R, RQHR psychologists have also supervised three



pre-doctoral residents this year. We are often matched to University of Regina students in the APPIC pre-doc process, and we have been thrilled to convince many residents to stay in Regina to become our next round of amazing supervisors and service providers. This year we were pleased to complete a Memorandum of Understanding with the University of Regina, which is an official agreement that secures as many clinical opportunities as possible for students and has made planning for future clinical placements easier for the U of R and RQHR alike. We also are pleased to be piloting our first Supervising Psychologist Position at the Mental Health Clinic, filled by Dr. Amy Janzen Claude. Many students this past year have already been part of this new model, and we have received great feedback on how it benefits both students and the RQHR alike. We're looking forward to another great year ahead with a new round of students just starting in a few days! My thanks to students, faculty, supervisors, and managers alike for making it possible to allow for training to be central in our health region!

Dr. Meghan Woods,

Assistant Director of Clinical Training

Our psychology family has a new addition

Bridget Klest and Jeff Loucks welcomed their little bundle of joy, Maren Ione Klest Loucks, into the world on September 26th at 10:09 pm, who weighed in at 8 lbs 2 ozs, and measured 51.5 cm. Mom and baby are doing well, and the whole family is overjoyed!



Retirement of Dr. Dennis Alfano



Dr. Dennis P. Alfano is now a Professor Emeritus and former Head of the Department of Psychology. He was also an Associate Member of the Department of Biology and the Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies.

Dr. Alfano was a neuropsychological researcher and clinician with over 30 years experience in his field. His research focused principally on neuropsychological outcome of mild traumatic brain injury and concussion in sports, an area where he worked as a consultant neuropsychologist to athletic teams at the university, semi-professional, and professional levels. He also maintained a general clinical consulting practice in neuropsychology and was certified by the Saskatchewan College of Psychologists, the Ontario College of Psychologists, and the Canadian Register of Health Service Psychologists. Dr. Alfano is a member of the National Academy of Neuropsychology, the International Neuropsychological Society, the Sports Neuropsychology Society, and the Canadian Psychological Association. He is also a Credentialed ImPACT© Concussion Management Consultant.

Dr. Alfano received his Ph.D. in Behavioural Neuroscience from the Department of Psychology at the University of Toronto in 1982, where his research focused principally on animal models of neurological dysfunction, neuroplasticity, and recovery of function following brain damage. Following the completion of his Ph.D., he was a Medical Research Council of Canada Postdoctoral Fellow in the Faculty of Health Sciences at McMaster University, where he specialized in Clinical Neuropsychology and Neuropsychological Rehabilitation. Dr. Alfano then spent three years as an Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Health Sciences at McMaster University, where he was an Instructor in the Medical Programme and the Postgraduate Program in Clinical Behavioural Sciences, and worked clinically as a Staff Neuropsychologist in the McMaster University Clinical Teaching Unit at Hamilton General Hospital.

Dr. Alfano came to the University of Regina in 1987 where he established the first neuropsychological research laboratory at the University. He has since published or presented over 100 formal reports on his research and supervised the research of over three dozen students, many of whom have won awards for their research at the local, provincial, and national levels. Dr. Alfano has also been a Principal Investigator or Co-Investigator on a number of successful research grants. His teaching at the University has included courses on the biological foundations of behaviour, human neuropsychology, brain mechanisms and behaviour, neurobehavioural disorders, and research methods at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

Dr. Alfano has served in executive roles at the provincial and national levels in the field of psychology, including with the Psychological Society of Saskatchewan and the Canadian Psychological Association. Locally, he was a member of the Committee for the Development of a Community-Based Rehabilitation Programme for Persons with Traumatic Brain Injury of Wascana Rehabilitation Centre and was a founding member of the Research Advisory Committee of Wascana Rehabilitation Centre. Dr. Alfano also served as a Member of the Task Force on Clinical Services for Patients with Head Injury established by the Regina Health District in February of 1995 and was a founding member of, and served for many years on, the Research Ethics Board of the Regina Health District/Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region.

Dr. Alfano is a Fellow of the National Academy of Neuropsychology, a designation awarded to those who have made a significant contribution to the science and/or profession of neuropsychology.

A farewell reception was held on December 11, 2014 to bid Dr. Alfano farewell. It was well attended by the faculty and staff of the psychology department. Dr. Alfano was a faculty member in our program for almost three decades. Good luck in the next chapter of your life, Dr. Alfano.



Experimental and Applied Psychology Program

written by Chris Oriet

The Experimental and Applied Psychology graduate program is pleased to welcome four new students to its Master's program. Nathan Baron, who completed his Honours with Dr. Chris Oriet and presented at this year's Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour, and Cognitive Sciences in Ottawa, will continue his work on statistical summary representations in visual search in Dr. Oriet's lab. Nathan will be funded by a Graduate Research Fellowship for the duration of his studies. Denis Gavigan, who also presented at this conference, will extend his research on the stress response and math anxiety under the supervision of Dr. Laurie Sykes Tottenham. Two students who completed their Honours at the University of Regina under the supervision of Dr. Sandeep Mishra will complete their graduate work under his supervision as well. Joshua Gonzales will further his research on risk sensitivity in decision making, while Dallas Novakowski will advance his work on understanding the relation between embodied capital and risk taking behaviour. Both Josh and Dallas are the winners of SSHRC CGS-M scholarships. Congratulations Josh and Dallas! We are thrilled that so many of our best undergraduates have chosen the U of R to continue their studies.

Two of our current Master's students will graduate to our Ph.D. program in the Fall. Chet Hembroff, the winner of a SSHRC CGS-D scholarship will continue his close collaboration with the RCMP under Dr. Katherine Arbuthnott's supervision, while Jill Price will further her work on the effects of math anxiety on children's math performance under the supervision of Dr. Katherine Robinson. Best of luck to both Jill and Chet on their doctoral studies!

On the faculty side, Dr. Heather Price published a meta-analysis on eyewitness memory across the lifespan with recent EAP graduate Dr. Ryan Fitzgerald, now a lecturer at University of Portsmouth in the UK. The article will appear in *Psychological Bulletin*, the 4th highest ranked journal of 564 psychology journals appearing in the Thomson-ISI rankings. Incredible!

Finally, we are pleased to congratulate Dr. Jeff Loucks on his wonderful success in this year's NSERC Discovery Grants competition. Dr. Loucks will receive \$24,780 over the next five years to fund his research program examining perceptual narrowing in human action. We look forward to many more successes in the 2015/16 school year!

Nathan Baron



Denis Gavigan



President Vianne Timmons (centre) honours students who receive tri-council funding including (l-r) Dallas Novakowski, psychology; Sandeep Mishra, faculty supervisor; Charlayna McGill, actuarial science; and Josh Gonzales, psychology.

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