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Chair Talk - Darcy Burgund

Hello Psychology Friends! This month is an exciting one because we will invite four candidates to campus to interview for our new Psychology/Neuroscience faculty position. We are very interested in students' impressions of the candidates, and we will invite your feedback on each of them. Each candidate will give a talk about their research, and we hope that you will attend as many as you are able to (dates/times listed below). Candidates will also have lunch with students (dates/times listed below), and this is an opportunity to get to know them more personally. Please email me (dburgund@macalester.edu) if you would like to have lunch with one or more candidates. Preference will be given to students who are able to attend lunch with more than one candidate. Please let me know about your availability for lunches and the talks in your email.

Marc Pisansky

Research talk, Wednesday, 11/9/22, 3:30 – 4:30 pm; THDA 200
Illuminating the brain in mouse models of empathy and reward
Student lunch, Thursday, 11/10/22, 11:30 – 12:30 pm; OLRI 356

Victória Müller Ewald

Research talk, Monday, 11/14/22, 3:30 – 4:40 pm; THDA 200
Little brain, big questions: The cerebellum in cognition
Student lunch, Tuesday, 11/15/22, 11:30 – 12:30 pm; OLRI 356

Nikki Lee

Research talk, Wednesday, 11/16/22, 3:30 – 4:30 pm; THDA 200
TBA
Student lunch, Thursday, 11/17/22, 11:30 – 12:30 pm; OLRI 356

Jean-Marie Maddux

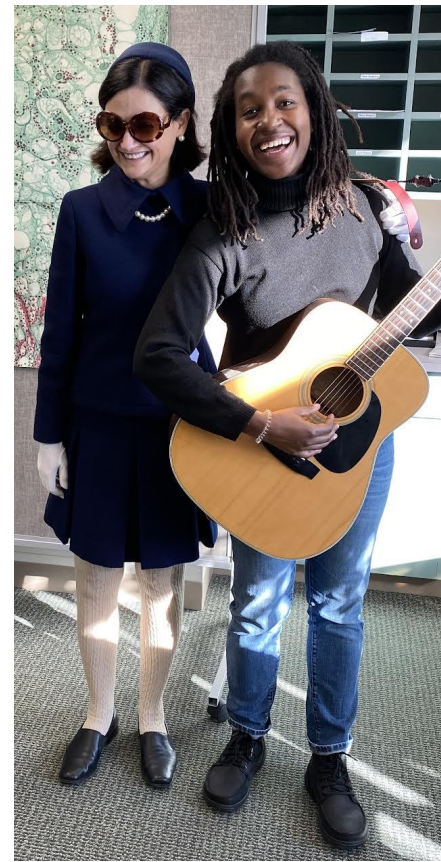
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Save the date for the Minnesota Undergraduate Psychology Conference next year - Saturday, April 29!

MUPC will be at Bethel University in Arden Hills this year. DR students and other interested students should save the date!

Guests!

Jackie Kennedy and Tracy Chapman visited us this Halloween!



Psych Study Away Lunch - Thursday, Nov. 3 11:30-12:30 Olri 352

Each semester we look forward to this event. This is a great chance to hear from other psych majors who have studied away and to hear about their experiences. Sarah Tolman from the study away office will be there to present the basics and to answer questions. Please RSVP to Lee so we order enough pizza lunch.

Mesmerizing Major - Madeline Medina

Favorite Movie: Good Will Hunting

Favorite Book: Fun Home by Alison Bechdel

Favorite place to eat in the Twin Cities: currently Nashville Coop

What do you do when you are not studying? Hike, run, co-host a WMCN radio show, despair about climate change, I recently started boxing classes

Where did you grow up? Westwood, MA

Interesting fact about your hometown: There used to be a cool cave in my hometown but it was blown up in the 1950s to clear a path for a highway (my hometown is not very interesting)

Tell us something about your family: We're cat people <3

Tell us something that you are pleased with or proud of about yourself: I ran a half marathon last spring!!





Mesmerizing Minor - Ebony Johnson

Favorite Movie: Friday

Favorite Book: Seven Days in June

When I'm not studying, I usually like to watch tv, be with my friends, or I'm at work.

I grew up in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Interesting fact about my hometown: Baton Rouge has the tallest state capitol in the U.S.

Family: I have 7 siblings.

I'm proud that I've made it this far in my academics and I'm proud of myself for not giving up when it gets hard.

Postcard from Study Away - Andrea Vijil Morin

Hello! My name is Andrea Vijil. I am currently studying in Denmark at the DIS program. So far, I have enjoyed DIS because they focus on experiential learning. We visit different organizations and sites in Copenhagen and other parts of Denmark and Europe as part of our class schedule. I am going in a week to Finland and Estonia with one of my classes. We also get to hear more about different approaches to mental health in Scandinavia and Europe. However, because it is a study abroad experience for students in North American colleges, sometimes it can feel like a bubble. You have to make an extra effort to meet Danes and experience the Danish culture.



Mesmerizing Major - Annika Gallaway

Favorite Movie: The Thing (1982), House (1977) (I like weird horror)

Favorite Book: *Never Let Me Go* by Kazuo Ishiguro

Favorite place to eat in the Twin Cities: I don't go out to eat much

What do you do when you are not studying? Make digital art and play video games with friends

Where did you grow up? Just north of Houston, Texas

Interesting fact about your hometown: I graduated from a high school with twice the enrollment of Macalester (my graduating class was 1100!)

Tell us something about your family: My dad went to high school with Melinda Gates

Tell us something that you are pleased with or proud of about yourself: I'm living alone for the first time this year and finally feel like I'm adequately adulting!

Mesmerizing Minor - Sinalei Wagner

Favorite Movie: Hereditary

Favorite Book: One for the Money by Janet Evanovich

Favorite Eatery: Red Cow

If I'm not doing school work I'm usually crafting with my friends or catching up on a show.

I grew up on O`ahu.

I have 30 first cousins.

I'm proud/pleased to be in my last year at college and getting to work on my Capstone.



New Majors



Madeline Medina '23 Westwood, MA

Liz Kelly-Doan '25 Washington, DC

Olga Merkadeau '25 Lafayette, CA

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