



WELCOME!

Welcome back! The Department of Psychology's chair, Dr. George Noell, and the rest of our faculty and staff, look forward to another productive and educational year. We are housed within the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. Our nationally-recognized faculty conduct basic and applied research on a broad variety of topics in psychology and neuroscience. We provide a high quality undergraduate education to over 800 majors, with a curricular focus on the science of the brain and behavior and its application. Admission to our PhD programs is amongst the most competitive at LSU, and we have approximately 100 graduate students enrolled.



OUR MISSION

The mission of the psychology department at LSU is to educate the public about psychology, to advance the frontiers of psychological knowledge, and to provide psychological services to individuals, organizations, and the community. Our outstanding program has four distinct areas: Clinical Psychology, Cognitive and Brain Sciences, Industrial/Organizational Psychology, and School Psychology. Furthermore, our Psychological Services Center provides affordable mental health services to the local community.

PAUL C. YOUNG AWARD

The recipient of this year's Paul C. Young Award, Rainey Landry, is an outstanding undergraduate in Psychology, as well as outgoing Psi Chi



President. Rainey is a double major in Psychology and Religious Studies. She has worked in Dr. Matson's lab for the past year and conducted a research study related to stress between parents and children with autism spectrum disorder that she presented at the 2017 Undergraduate Research Conference. She plans to pursue a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology and open her own practice.

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WELCOME NEW FACULTY!



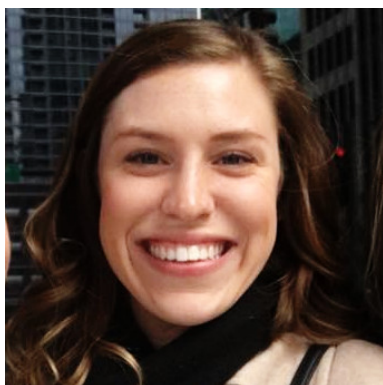
Dr. Raymond Tucker

My research interest is broadly in the area of suicide prevention. I am particularly interested in novel etiological and maintaining factors of suicidal ideation and suicide attempts; the study of which enhances theoretical models of suicide as well as the clinical assessment and management of suicide risk.



Dr. Heather Lucas

My research examines the cognitive neuroscience of learning and memory, with a primary focus on episodic memory. Lab work centers on understanding the neural and cognitive processes that allow us to acquire new memories, as well those involved in accessing and using representations that are stored in memory.



Dr. Rachel W. Smith

My research includes examining experiences of individuals from diverse backgrounds in context of the work environment and the importance of diversity for organizations, as well as good and bad aspects of employee well-being.



Dr. Shawn Gilroy

My research interests are focused on developing and evaluating interventions for individuals with disabilities and their families. Everything I develop and research is released under free and open source licenses to support interventions in resource-strained settings.



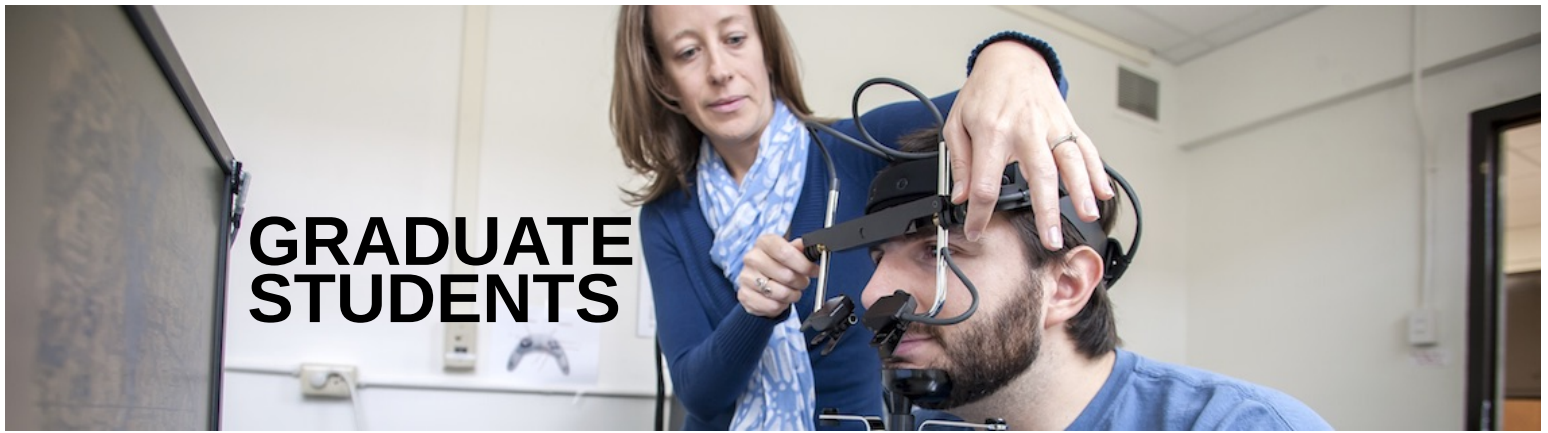
Dr. Paul Soto

My research interests are in the use of laboratory models of psychiatric diseases and symptoms for the evaluation of potential therapeutic approaches, the use of drugs and genetically engineered animals to identify the neurobiological bases of cognition and behavioral economic decision making, and the investigation of short- and long-term effects of psychiatric medications.



Dr. Christopher Cox

My research applies a combination of behavioral research, computational modeling, machine learning, and neuroimaging to investigate the representational format of semantic knowledge. Active lines of research include: Applying experimental machine learning tools to discover complex brain networks in neuroimaging data that are associated with semantic knowledge. Exploring the context-sensitivity of semantic knowledge, both to experimental manipulation and with respect to individual differences.



GRADUATE STUDENTS

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