Welcome!

Although summer is almost over, we are excited about welcoming Fall Quarter! Fall Quarter is such an exciting time at the Graduate School of Professional Psychology. With New Student Orientations, Continuing Education events, and the beginning of a new school year we are looking forward to a busy quarter. In this Alumni Newsletter, we welcome Fall Quarter by focusing on our Sports and Performance Psychology Program; sports and fall quarter seem to fit so well together! Enjoy our MASPP Spotlights and please let me know how I can help you as an Alumni of GSPP. Feel free to reach out to me via email or phone anytime, and I hope to be able to meet some of you at our upcoming Continuing Education events!

Best,

Lindsay Anderson
Executive Assistant to the Dean
Alumni Relations Coordinator
Terri Davis, Ph.D

Dr. Terri M. Davis is joining the GSPP faculty as Associate Professor and the new Director of the PsyD Program. She earned her Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from The Ohio State University.

Read More About Terri...

Alumni Publications

Jay Willoughby, PsyD ’12


Trevor Davis, PsyD ’12

Congrats to Alum, Trevor Davis, whose doc paper was recently accepted for publication in the *Journal of Burn Care and Research*. Look for "Making meaning in a burn peer support group: Qualitative analysis of attendee interviews".

Laurie C. Ivey, PsyD ’00

Ivey, Laurie C. and Timothy Doenges. (2013). Resolving the dilemma of multiple relationships for primary care behavioral health providers. *Professional Psychology:..."

Alumni Spotlight

Angela Hau, MASPP ’10

Angela graduated from the University of Hong Kong in 2007, double-majoring in Psychology and Linguistics & Philosophy. In 2008, after a year of coaching Thai Boxing in Hong Kong, she traveled to Denver to pursue her master’s degree in Sport & Performance Psychology at GSPP. Based on a practitioner-scholar model, the program has allowed her to implement the counseling skills and techniques to her clients in a professional manner through the unique supervised practicum experiences in both coaching and consulting.

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Student Spotlight

Joanna Foss, MASPP Student

Joanna Foss is a second year Master’s student in the Sport and Performance Psychology Program. She has always been interested in psychology, and her own experience as a collegiate volleyball player led her to look into ways of pairing these two interests. Performance psychology was undoubtedly the best fit for combining those two aspects of her life. She decided to apply to the Sport and Performance Psychology program in GSPP after learning of its reputation in the field and of its heavy focus on applied work. Her ultimate goal is to directly consult with athletes, and she believes this program and her training will prepare her for that path.

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Research and Practice, 44(4), 218-224.

**Hitting Shelves in 2014...**

**Patrick Duffy, PsyD ’00**

Psychologist and international consultant on the treatment of juvenile delinquency, Dr. Patrick Duffy’s “No-Nonsense Guide to Parenting your Delinquent Teen,” explains to families the strategies that evidence-based treatments use to effectively address delinquency, addresses common family challenges that block progress and exposes why commonly used approaches are ineffective or even harmful. - New Harbinger Press

**Faculty Spotlight**

**Mark Aoyagi,** Ph.D., CC-AASP  
Assistant Professor  
Director of Sport & Performance Psychology

Mark Aoyagi started at GSPP in September 2007 as an Assistant Professor and Director of the Sport & Performance Psychology (SPP) program following a post-doc at University of Southern California, internship at CalPoly San Luis Obispo, and completing degrees from University of Missouri (PhD counseling psych/sport psych), Georgia Southern University (MS kinesiology/sport psych), and University of Utah (BS psych, BS exercise and sport science). This is Mark’s first faculty position, and he says ‘while hoping for a mediocre job in an average location, I got my dream job in a wonderful location.’ Mark credits Steve Portenga with all the hard work of establishing the program as interim director during the 2006-2007 academic year, resulting in the MASPP having its first official class in Fall 2007.

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**6th Annual Translational Neuroscience & Colorado Educator's Conference**

**Recent accolades!**

**Jessica Corey Dale MASPP ’08, Psy.D ’12**

**Jennifer Silva Batson Psy.D ’12**

Jennifer and Jessica both have new positions at The Eating Disorder Center of Denver!

Jessica was recently contracted by the recently launched, ELITE program, which is designed to assess and treat elite athletes struggling with eating disorders. She will be developing a treatment program for these athletes with eating disorders.

[Click Here to Learn about the Eating Disorder Center]
Kristin Frevert, Psy.D '12

Kristin joined Student Counseling Services at Illinois State University as a staff psychologist in fall 2012 after completing her doctoral internship at the University of Missouri’s Counseling Center and graduating from GSPP. She serves as the Liaison to Redbird Athletics, in addition to Groups Coordinator at SCS. In 2013, she became a Certified Consultant (CC-AASP) through the Association of Applied Sport Psychology, further recognizing her education and training in the field of sport, exercise, and performance psychology. In addition to her SCS duties in the spring, she will be teaching Psychology of Sport to undergraduates in the School of Kinesiology and Recreation.

Kim Gorgens @ the Denver Center for Performing Arts!
At issue in *Death of a Salesman* is nothing less than the American dream. Willy Loman believes with his whole being that hard work, the right relationships and a positive attitude will lead to success, success at least as defined as owning your own home, supporting your family, keeping up with the payments on all those time saving appliances, etc. Tragically, Willy is let down by that dream.

Machiavellians are not the stuff of tragedy. They are their own victims. Willy Loman is a person of principle. And it is tragic when life fails such a person.

At least that's what a psychologist and an ethicist are going to suggest the audience reflect on following the play on October 9. Leading the audience reflection on this revival of *Death of a Salesman* will be Dr. Kim Gorgens and Dr. Buie Seawell of the University of Denver.

Alumni - see the play, and Kim, afterwards on Oct. 9th! For a special rate ($31.50) use the promo code BRIDGE (full price is $65.00).

**GSPP @ APA**

With the Annual APA Convention in our rear view mirrors, it's easy to say that GSPP had a GREAT time! Check out the presentations & awards that our GSPP faculty were involved with...

**Mark Aoyagi:** Inaugural “Early Career Professional Award” - Division 47 (Exercise & Sport Psychology) - (co-author) Poster Session: “Beyond Competencies: Performance Psychology Consultant As a Person, Performer, and Self-Regulator”

**Jennifer Cornish:** Chair, Symposium: “Utilizing Consortium and Part-time Training Models to Address the Psychology Internship Shortage”, APPIC Board and Business Meetings, – Secretary, Association of Psychology Postdoctoral and Internship Centers

**Kim Gorgens:** Chair, Symposium: “Can Psychology Accommodate Divergent Views on Size? Barriers to a Nuanced Understanding of Obesity” - Discussant, Symposium: “Abuse of Women With Disabilities As Reflected in Health Disparities”

Congrats to our Recent Summer Graduates!

Master of Arts
Christina M. Aegerter
Leslie Minna Budman
Amelia Chianese
Kritika Dwivedi
Melissa G. Goldberg
Amal Abuzalaf Mull
Emily Rachel Newman
Benjamin Roberts
Chelsea Stuart Spiro
Jason Michael Turret
Vanessa Zimmerman

Doctor of Psychology
Linda K. Baker
Jefferson M. Crowe
Christine A. DeVore
Robin L. Garrett
Natalie Beth Gart
Rebecca Garza
Meagan E. Grasmick
Cassie M. Green
Rohini Gupta
Bram E. Heidinger
Alexis Wilbert
Jonathan Jenkins
Julie A. Kendall
Shawn Knadler
Abigail Lockhart
Kimberly Mathewson
Courtney Cawley
Lauren O'Flaherty
Evelyn Owusu
Jennifer Rhoda
Julia Runde
David Shanley
Mahlet Tekeste
Kevin Thomas
Shanna Tillman
Jennifer Tippett
Jo Yana Vendl
Tiffany Willis
Shawn Zeplin

Announcements!

Lavita Nadkarni: Chair, Symposium: “Therapeutic Challenges for Immigrant Psychologists”, Chair, NCSPP Education and Pedagogy Committee, Editor, Psychotherapy Bulletin

Artur Poczwardowski: Poster Session: “Beyond Competencies: Performance Psychology Consultant As a Person, Performer, and Self-Regulator”

Jamie Shapiro: Program Chair – Division 47 (Exercise & Sport Psychology)

Shelly Smith-Acuna: Secretary-Treasurer – National Council of Schools and Programs of Professional Psychology

Courtney Welton-Mitchell: “Outstanding Dissertation Award” - Division 56 (Trauma Psychology)

Faculty, Lavita Nadkarni with Alumni Huong Diep & Tatiana Rohlfs. All three presented “Therapeutic challenges for immigrant psychologists” at the convention!

Faculty Courtney Welton-Mitchell receiving her 'Outstanding Dissertation Award" - Division 56 (Trauma Psychology), pictured here with her family.

GSPP Faculty & Alumni Reception at the Tropics Bar & Grill in lovely, Hawai'i!
Alum, Gil Milburn-Westfall (PsyD '89) wants to supervise recent grads about licensing procedures. 
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Space Available

Beautiful, large office space in the Lowry Neighborhood to be shared with another psychotherapist. The space is fully furnished and available immediately. It is part of a suite shared with several other psychiatrists and psychotherapists. We would like to find someone to take 1.5 days/$260 responsibility, however there are a number of options and two offices available for part-time use. Amenities include: abundant free parking, attractive waiting room, large office windows, wireless internet access, fax, printer, microwave, refrigerator, 24 hour secure access, and excellent location...

Join some of Denver’s top Psychiatrists and Therapists in a very intimate and private Denver Tech Center location. This single story building, located at 8095 E. Prentice Ave., is easily accessible off of I-25 and Bellevue. The building has a large common area with two seating/waiting areas, a common conference room, small common kitchen area

Facutly, Mark Aoyagi, recieving his "Early Career Psychologist Award" - Division 47 (Exercise and Sport Psychology).

GSPP in China

Drs. Artur Poczwardowski and Jamie Shapiro traveled to Beijing, China in July for the World Congress of the International Society of Sport Psychology (ISSP). The Congress included 4 days of presentations by international scholars and practitioners in the field of sport, exercise, and performance psychology. Artur was invited to be a keynote speaker and delivered a stellar presentation to a packed international crowd titled, What if the secret is you? 

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and a very nice interior courtyard. With a total of 10 office suites in the building, 2 are currently available. The newly updated offices are private and designed to minimize noise transfer...

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Job Openings

1. Georgia State University: Assistant Professor
2. University of Maryland, College Park: Counselor / Staff Psychologist
3. Wentworth Institute of Technology (MA): Coordinator of Clinical Training & Development
4. Lehigh University (PA)
5. Pace University (NY): Postdoctoral Fellow
6. Monsour Counseling and Psychological Services / Claremont University Consortium (CA): Part-time Psychiatrist
7. Penn State University Center for Collegiate Mental Health (CCMH): Research Project Manager

See Full Postings...

One-of-a-Kind Center for Divorcing Families

In September, The University of Denver will open a Resource Center for Separating and Divorcing Families. The center is the first of its kind in the United States, providing an array of services for families who are going through a separation or divorce. The families receive mediation, education, therapeutic services, assistance with financial planning and legal drafting, all on a sliding fee scale.

GSPP Alum, Kirk Thoreson, PsyD '03, is supervising the PsyD training program on this project.

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