Awards, Honours, & Appointments

Martin Antony, Leslie Atkinson, & Frank Russo have each won a 2009 Faculty SRC Award and were honoured on April 16th at a special SRC research function.

Massimo Di Domenico received the 2009-2010 Dennis Mock Student Leadership Award (April 2010).

Tae Hart was appointed as an adjunct research faculty member in the Department of Psychiatry at Mount Sinai Hospital.

Heather Hood was appointed to the position of American Psychological Association of Graduate Students (APAGS) Advocacy Coordinator for Canada.

Frank Russo was elected to the Board of Directors of the Society for Music Perception and Cognition.

Psychology Faculty Grants & Student Scholarships


Leslie Atkinson (nominated PI) & Trevor A. Hart (CI). “Institute for Research in Stress, Health, and Intervention.” Awarded for research infrastructure for a cross-disciplinary research centre studying the intersections of stress and health in both basic research and applied, intervention research at the Psychology Research and Training Centre of the Department of Psychology at Ryerson University. Funded by the Ontario Ministry of Research and Innovation. Amount: $418,512 (2009).


Jenna Belanger was awarded the CIHR Institute of Gender and Health Travel Award to attend the 31st annual meeting of the Society of Behavioral Medicine in Seattle, WA. Amount: $2,500.

Madelaine C. Burley was awarded the CIHR Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement Award. She will study with Dr. Jimmy Jenson at Oslo Univeristy, Norway on her project, “An fMRI investigation of differential hippocampal and amygdalar activation to emotional imagery in schizotypy.” Award: $6,000 (Aug-Oct 2010).


Danielle Culp received a Clinical and Population Health Research Ph.D. Studentship for one year from the MS Society of Canada Annual Research Grants Competitions (2009-2010).

Caitlin Davey was awarded the Toronto/McMaster University Indigenous Health Research Development Program (IHRDP) Graduate Scholarship funded through the CIHR - Institute of Aboriginal People’s Heath.

Tae Hart (PI) was awarded a pilot grant from the Multiple Sclerosis Scientific Research Foundation, “Illness Uncertainty, Relationship Dynamics, and Distress in Couples Facing MS.” Amount: $30,250.

Brian Mainland received the LIFE Institute Jack Brown Award, $1000, for his research on memory in older adults, as well as the CIHR Health Professional Student Research Award, $2125.50 (April 2010).

Brian Mainland was awarded the Ontario Mental Health Foundation Studentship award for the next 3 years. Amount: $16,000 per year; Total Amount: $48,000.

Stéphanie Marion was awarded the SSHRC Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement Award. She will be studying with Dr. Maryanne Garry at Victoria University Wellington, New Zealand, on her project “The misinformation effect in line-up identifications.” (May-Aug 2010).

Ronak Patel was awarded the Ontario Mental Health Foundation Studentship award for the next 3 years. Amount: $16,000 per year; Total Amount: $48,000.

Wade Pickren (CI) & Rutherford, A., won a SSHRC grant for work on “Imagining Gender in the 20th Century: The Uneasy Relationship of Psychology and Feminism.” Amount: $83,000, (2010).

Sarah Royal, Jenny Rogojanski, Rachel Strimas, & Valerie Vorstenbosch. “Dialectical Behaviour Therapy for difficulties with emotion regulation.” Awarded the CPA Clinical Section Student Grant to finance the organization of an educational clinical work-shop within the department. Amount: $1,000 (Feb 2010).

Debra Soh was awarded the SSHRC Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement Award. She will be working with Dr. Tony Beech at the University of Birmingham, U.K. on "Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI) of Violent Sexual Offenders." (May-Aug 2010).

Lixia Yang (NPI), Julia Spaniol (CI), & Lynn Hasher (CI). “Aging, Culture, and Memory Binding: A Cross-Cultural Comparison between China and Canada.” Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) and the National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC), China-Canada Joint Health Research Initiative, $150,000 CIHR & CNY and $450,000 NSFC. Total Amount: $600,000 (Jan 2010-Dec 2012).

Leanne Wilkins was awarded the CIHR Michael Smith Foreign Supplement Award. She will be studying with Dr. Valerie Curran at University College, London, U.K. on her project, “The effect of acute ketamine administration on spatial memory.” (May-Aug 2010).

Spotlight: BA Student Scholarships

A special congratulations to our BA undergraduate students who were successful with their applications to the new Undergraduate Research Opportunities (URO) Scholars Program! Of the 26 awards open to the entire Ryerson student body, 10 Psychology students were awarded with a $5000 summer research opportunity working with our Psychology faculty. Congratulations to: Andreea Andrei, Molly Atwood, Jennifer Belus, Patryce Bowling, Michael Brienza*, Meghan George*, Dana Greenbaum*, Gabriela Kostova, Chris Lachine, and Jessica Sutherland!
Journal Articles, Papers & Other Publications


Books


Book Chapters


Conference & Poster Presentations


**Amy Brown-Bowers** (Feb 2010). “This is why I have sex. This is why I don’t have sex: Fluid and ongoing sexual decision-making in sexually active young Canadian women.” Poster presented at the 2010 Association of Women in Psychology Annual Conference, Portland, OR.


**Colleen E. Carney, Taryn G. Moss, Andrea L. Harris, & Edinger, J. D.** (June 2010). Should Anxiety Assessment Make Us Anxious? Issues in Assessing Anxiety in Clinical Insomnia Patients. Accepted for poster presentation at the annual meeting of SLEEP. San Antonio, TX.


**Niusha Ghazban & Jean-Paul Boudreau.** (March 2010). “‘Tunnelling Vision’: Exploitation of Perceptual Information by 9.5-Month-Old Infants in Search and Retrieval Tasks.” Poster presented at the XVIth International Conference on Infant Studies, Baltimore, MD.

Andrea L. Harris, Colleen E. Carney & Taryn G. Moss. (June 2010). Towards insomnia-specific models and assessment of rumination. Accepted for poster presentation at the annual meeting of SLEEP. San Antonio, TX.


Danielle Labine & Jean-Paul Boudreau. (March 2010). ““Live from Toronto”: A developmental study of 9- to 12-month old infants’ learning from televised video.” Poster presented at the XVIth International Conference on Infant Studies, Baltimore, MD.

Dianne Lam, Maureen J. Reed, Kennett, D. J. (June 2010). “Creating a tool to understand students’ unique motivations for attending higher education.” Poster session presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education, Toronto, ON.


Montserrat, M., Edinger, J.D., Colleen E. Carney & Andrea L. Harris. (June 2010). Moving beyond average values: assessing the night-to-night instability of sleep and arousal in DSM-IV-TR insomnia subtypes. Accepted for oral presentation at the annual meeting of SLEEP, San Antonio, TX.


Taryn G. Moss, Colleen E. Carney, Andrea L. Harris, Friedman, J., & Edinger, J. D. (June, 2010). Is anxiety a 'fly in the ointment' when using the Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index? Poster to be presented at the 24th Annual Meeting of the Associated Professional Sleep Societies, San Antonio, TX.


Valerie Vorstenbosch, Heather Hood, Farvolden P., Martin M. Antony, & van Mierlo, T. (June 2010). "*The Utility of an Online Support Group for Treatment Adherence to a Web-Based CBT for Panic Disorder.*" Poster to be presented at the World Congress of Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Boston, MA.


Workshops, Invited Lectures, & Colloquia


Sarah Royal was an Invited Speaker at the Toronto General Hospital Eating Disorders Program Research Rounds (Jan 2010).

Media


Trevor A. Hart et al., 2009. “Social anxiety and HIV transmission risk among HIV-seropositive men.” Radio Interview on CIUT FM on research on social anxiety and risky sex among gay and bisexual men (February 5th, 2010).