

# *STUDENT SYMPOSIUM IN RESEARCH AND PRACTICE*

DEPARTMENT OF GRADUATE PSYCHOLOGY  
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*The Student Symposium in Research and Practice offers a forum for students to share their developing areas of expertise. The presenters come from graduate programs in Psychological Sciences, School Psychology, Community Counseling, School Counseling, the doctoral program in Assessment and Measurement, and the Combined-Integrated Doctoral Program in Clinical and School Psychology.*

- 8:30-9:00      *Check-in*
- 9:00-9:50      *Welcome from Graduate Directors and introduction of keynote speaker*  
*Keynote Address*  
*“The BEVI, EI Theory, and the EI Self: Making Sense of Why We Believe What We Believe”*  
*Craig N. Shealy, Ph.D.*  
*Recipient of the 2006 College of Integrated Science and Technology Madison Scholar Award*  
*Taylor Hall 404*
- 10:00-11:30    *Graduate Student Presentations*
- 11:30-12:30    *Lunch for Invited Guests*
- 12:30-1:00     *Meetings for Faculty, Supervisors, and Advisory Boards*
- 1:00-3:30      *Graduate Student Presentations*

*\*\*Refreshments provided for presenters, supervisors, thesis chairs and advisory\*\*  
committees in Taylor 311, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.*

**Room 400: Community Counseling**

**Room 402: School Counseling**

<p><b>9:55 Welcome, Opening Remarks, Introductions by program director</b></p>	<p><b>9:55 Welcome, Opening Remarks, Introductions by program director</b></p>
<p>10:00 “From Chaos to Control: Anger Management for Teens”  <b>Lori DeZarn</b>                  JMU Counseling and Student Development Center                  Supervisor: Tom Metzinger</p>	<p>10:00 “Crisis Intervention Strategies and Techniques”  <b>Michelle Landenwitch</b>                  Luray High School, Luray VA                  Supervisor: Sandra Warren</p>
<p>10:30 “Rerouting Resistance: Ideas for Substance Abuse Treatment”  <b>Anne Remington</b>                  Rockbridge Area Community Services Board                  Supervisor: Terry O’Jure</p>	<p>10:30 “Supporting Students Through Interprofessional Collaboration in Schools”  <b>Lisa Thomasson</b>                  Kilmer Middle School, Vienna VA                  Supervisor: Li-Lin Sun</p>
<p>11:00 “Going It Alone: New Perspectives on Single Parent Families”  <b>Ashley Sutt</b>                  Valley Community Services Board                  Supervisor: Kathy Kristiansen</p>	<p>11:00 “Surviving and Striving: Helping Children Cope with Trauma”  <b>Stacey Sobotka</b>                  Bells Elementary School, Turnersville NJ                  Supervisor: Frank DeFamio</p>
<p><b>11:30 Lunch for graduate presenters, supervisors, thesis chairs, and Advisory Committees</b>  <b>Transitions Room: TAYLOR 202</b></p>	<p><b>11:30 Lunch for graduate presenters, supervisors, thesis chairs, and Advisory Committees</b>  <b>Transitions Room: TAYLOR 202</b></p>
<p><b>12:30 Counseling Meeting: For counseling faculty, supervisors, and Advisory Committee members Room 307</b></p>	<p><b>12:30 Counseling Meeting: For counseling faculty, supervisors, and Advisory Committee members Room 307</b></p>
<p>1:00 “Sexuality and the Counselor: Reaching Out From Your Comfort Zone”  <b>Mimi Steele</b>                  Region Ten Community Services Board                  Supervisor: Anita Dean Gambill</p>	
<p>1:30 “A Discussion for the E-Curious Counselor”  <b>Mike Walsh</b>                  JMU Counseling and Student Development Center                  Supervisor: Shirley Cobb</p>	
<p>2:00 “Animal Assistance Therapy: Carl Rogers with a Tail”  <b>Keith Shank</b>                  Harrisonburg/Rockingham Community Services Board                  Supervisor: Harry Hurst</p>	

**Room 302: School Psychology**

**Room 309: Combined-Integrated Doctoral Program in Clinical and School Psychology**

<p><b>9:55 Welcome, Opening Remarks, Introductions by program director</b></p>	<p><b>9:55 Welcome, Opening Remarks, Introductions by program director</b></p>
<p>10:00 “Small Schools, Big Changes: Reinventing Mapleton Public Schools”  <b>Jane Pontti, M.A.</b>  Mapleton School System, Denver CO  Supervisor: Linda Sprouse, Ed.S.  Thesis Chair: Tammy Gilligan, Ph.D.</p>	<p>10:00 “The Psychology of Second-Generation Arab and South Asian Americans in Post 9/11 America: Implications for Treatment”  <b>Salmaan Khawaja</b>  Dissertation Chair: Gregg Henriques</p>
<p>10:30 “Video Games and Behavior: Differences Between Single-, Multi-, and Massively Multi-Players”  <b>Alex Bowman, M.A.</b>  Gilbert Public Schools, Gilber, AZ  Supervisors: Laura Kassymova, M.A., Noreen Roman, SSP, Julene Robbins, Ph.D., NCSP  Thesis Chair: Ashton Trice, Ed.D.</p>	<p>10:30 “Resiliency in Children: Working with a Traumatized Population”  <b>Megan Fiore</b>  Dissertation Chair: Anne Stewart</p>
<p>11:00 “An Explorative Study of College Students with Neurological Conditions, Including Traumatic Brain Injury”  <b>Jessica Shaffer, M.A.</b>  Bristol City Schools, Bristol VA  Supervisor: Rhonda McCoy, M.A., Patricia Bowers, M. Ed.  Thesis Chair: William Ernst, Psy.D.</p>	<p>11:00 “Juvenile Competence to Stand Trial: Virginia’s Current Issues and Trends”  <b>Joanie Rankin and Leticia Solorzano</b>  Dissertation Chair: Harriet Cobb</p>
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<p><b>School Psychology Meeting: For school psychology faculty, supervisors, and Advisory Committee members Room 303</b></p>	<p><b>12:30 Counseling Meeting: For counseling faculty, supervisors, and Advisory Committee members Room 307</b></p>
<p>1:00 “Developing a Test of Effort for Children”  <b>Wesley Shelley, M.A.</b>  Fluvanna County Public Schools, Fluvanna VA  Supervisor: Deborah McWee, M.A.  Thesis Chair: William Ernst, Psy.D.</p>	<p>1:00 “Circle of Security and Reflective Functioning”  <b>Jennifer Gilbert</b>  Dissertation Chair: Anne Stewart</p>
<p>1:30 “Girls and Science: Factors in High School that Shape Career Development”  <b>Lori Knitter, M.A.</b>  Shenandoah Valley Child Development Clinic, JMU  Supervisor: Ginger Griffin, Ed.S.  Thesis Chair: Patricia Warner, Ph.D.</p>	

Room 304: Psychological Sciences

Room 305: Doctoral Program in  
Assessment and Measurement

<b>9:55 Welcome, Opening Remarks, Introductions by program director</b>	<b>9:55 Welcome, Opening Remarks, Introductions by program director</b>
10:00 “Diagnosing the Misfit of the Theoretical Factor Structure of the Scales of Psychological Well-Being: Development of the Revised SPWB” <b>Pamela Kaliski</b> Thesis Chair: Sara Finney	10:00 “Differences in the Equating Relationships Between Forms When Locally Dependent Items are Scored Dichotomously Versus Polytomously” <b>Melinda Taylor</b> Supervisor: Dena Pastor
10:30 “Assessment of the Emotional Regulation Scale in Adolescents with ADHD” <b>Bebhinn Timmins</b> Thesis Chair: Steve Evans	10:30 “An Invariance Study of Achievement Goal Orientation for College Students With and Without Disabilities” <b>Hilary Kissel</b> Supervisor: Dena Pastor
11:00 “Into the Monster’s Den: Investigating the Pleasure Paradox of Cinematic Horror” <b>Jesse Pappas</b> Thesis Chair: Sheena Rogers	11:00 “A Confirmatory Factor Analysis of the Work and Family Orientation Scale” <b>Cassandra Jones</b> Supervisor: Sara Finney
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	1:00 “Investigating the Measurement Invariance of the Attitudes Toward Learning (ATL) Scale Across African-American and White College Students” <b>Carol Barry, Jilliam Joe, Hilary Kissel</b> Supervisor: Sara Finney
1:30 “Evaluating the Psychometric Properties of the Marschak Interaction Method Behavior Rating Scale” <b>Jacqueline Allen</b> Thesis Chair: Anne Stewart	1:30 “An Alternate Approach to Validating the Academic Motivation Scale: Applying the Generalized Graded Response Unfolding Model” <b>BJ Miller</b> Supervisor: Christine DeMars
2:00 “Perceived Stress and Mindfulness Across Adult Attachment Styles” <b>Shari Cordon</b> Thesis Chair: Pam Gibson	2:00 “Motivation Filtering: A Mixture Modeling Approach to Setting Criterion Scores” <b>Carl Setzer</b> Supervisor: J. Patrick Meyer
2:30 “Measuring Diversity Orientation: An Examination of the Miville-Guzman Universality Diversity Scale” <b>Abby Lau</b> Thesis Chair: J. Patrick Meyer	2:30 “The Effect of Innovative Item Placement on Computer-Based Test Performance” <b>Amanda Dainis</b> Supervisor: Christine Harmes
3:00 “The Efficacy of an Consumer Satisfaction with a Brief Family Intervention for Adolescents with ADHD and Their Families” <b>L. Casey White</b> Thesis Chair: Steve Evans	3:00 “A Factor Analytic Study of the Scale of Perceived Social Self-Efficacy” <b>Peter Swerdzewski</b> Supervisor: Sara Finney
3:30 “ Student Attitudes Towards Students Receiving Accommodations for Academic and Physical Disabilities” <b>Jeffrey Bartlett</b> Thesis Chair: Ashton Trice	3:30 “Examinee Effort and Test Performance: A Meta-Analysis” <b>Xiaofang Zeng</b> Supervisor: Steve Wise

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