Department of Human Development

HD Scholarship
January, February 2011

Publications


Presentations


Awards
Tamar Kushnir has been appointed as the first Evalyn Edwards Milman Assistant Professorship in Child Development in the College of Human Ecology.

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March 2011

Anthony Ong has been approved tenure recommendation, effective April 1, 2011. Congratulations to Anthony.

Publications


Awards

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Elizabeth Stilwell received a grant from the Cornell Public Service Center to present the first Faculty Fellows In Service Community Based Training series, “Play in young children: How it shapes the mind, opens the imagination and supports lifelong learning”.

Presentations

Corinna Loeckenhoff gave an invited talk at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Preventive Oncology, titled, "Aging, emotions, and decision-making - Implications for cancer prevention, detection, and control."

Other

Thomas Fuller-Rowell has accepted a two-year Robert Wood Johnson (RWJ) postdoctoral fellowship in the psychology department at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

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April 2011

Publications


Presentations at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development

Brainerd, C. J., & Reyna, V. F. How does emotion affect developmental reversals in false memory?

Fuller-Rowell, T., Evans, G.W., & Ong, A. Stigma mediates the association between poverty and allostatic load.

Whipple, S.S., Evans, G.W., Barry, R., & Maxwell, L.E. An ecological perspective on cumulative risk and school-wide academic achievement.

Kutcher, R., Evans, G.W., Whitlock, J., & Swisher, R. Social capital, poverty, and adolescent mental health.

Evans, G.W., Klebanov, P., & Brooks-Gunn, J. Early origins of the SES-health gradient.

Clark, C. Kushnir, T. Preschoolers use of magic as a causal explanation when events violate their prior causal beliefs in contact causation. (Poster)

Chernyak, N. & Kushnir, T. Is morality a choice? Investigating the links between preschoolers’ awareness of their abilities to act morally or immorally. (Paper)

Kushnir, T. & Vredenburgh, C. Who can help fix the toy? The distinction between conventional knowledge and causal expertise guides preschoolers’ future requests. (Paper)
Yu, Y. & Kushnir, T. Toddlers’ imitation of novel causal actions is influenced by the demonstrator’s prior intention. (Poster)

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May 2011

**Publications**


Holliday, R.E., Brainerd, C.J., & Reyna, V.F. (2011). Developmental reversals in false memory: Now you see them, now you don’t! *Developmental Psychology, 47*(2) 442-449.


**Presentations**


Ritch C. Savin-Williams was interviewed by the New York Times, Voice of America, and Reuters Health about gay youth suicide; he also presented to the Los Angeles Gay Healers Circle (a “nontraditional” clinical group) about being young, healthy, and gay.

Valerie Reyna’s project teaches CU students and teens. Students from her Laboratory for Rational Decision Making have been working in collaboration with New Roots Charter School in Ithaca as well as Cooperative Extension offices in New York City and Broome County to offer innovative curricula to teens. [http://www.hdtoday.human.cornell.edu/2011/04/research-extension-project-teaches-cu-students-and-teens/](http://www.hdtoday.human.cornell.edu/2011/04/research-extension-project-teaches-cu-students-and-teens/)


Awards


Corinna Loeckenhoff received a pilot award through the Cornell ISS Small Grants Program (Spring 2011) entitled: "Age and Intertemporal Choice Among Aversive Experiences."

Corinna Loeckenhoff was also awarded the President's Council of Cornell Women (PCCW) Affinito/Stewart Grant to support her work, "Joint decision-making among older leukemia patients."

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June 2011

Publications


Presentations

Ritch C. Savin-Williams was interviewed by the New York Times for a video feature on the lives of gay youth.

Qi Wang gave an invited address at the APS Convention. The title of her talk was What makes people happy?: Emotion knowledge in autobiographical memory.

Koslowski, B. and Vermeulen, F.M. Confirmation bias may be more nuanced than had been thought. Poster presented at the meetings of the American Psychological Society, Washington, D.C.

Koslowski, B. Adolescents’ conceptual and technical knowledge in proposing and evaluating hypotheses. Paper presented as part of a symposium on, What we know affects how we think: belief and strategy in the development of reasoning, Jean Piaget Society, Berkeley, Ca.

Ritch C. Savin-Williams was recently interviewed discussing sexual-minority research by ABC News, CBS BENET, and MSNBC (Live Science).


HD Scholarship
July 2011

Publications


Presentations

Ritch C. Savin-Williams was recently interviewed discussing sexual-minority research by ABC News, CBS BENET, and MSNBC (Live Science).


Gary Evans presented a seminar on housing and the physical environment to the Center for the Developing Child, Harvard University.


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**August 2011**

**Publications**


**Presentations**


Anthony Ong gave an invited talk at the 2011 APA Convention (Washington, DC) entitled "Positive Emotions as Basic Building Blocks of Resilience".

**Other**

John Eckenrode has been appointed as the Director of the Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research for a 5-year term.

Steve Hamilton has been appointed as the Research Director of 4-H Youth Development at the Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research.

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**September 2011**

**Publications**


**Other**

Qi Wang was appointed as the Associate Director of Cornell's East Asia Program.

Ritch Savin-Williams spoke at the Child Welfare Summit in Washington, DC on gay youth research and was interviewed by Slate Magazine/Washington Post on the relationship between gender nonconformity and sexual orientation.
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October 2011

Publications


Presentations

Gary Evans gave the 2011 Harold Proshansky Lecture, "The environment of childhood poverty," at the American Psychological Association annual meeting.


Presentations

Ritch C. Savin-Williams (with Kenneth Cohen) presented an all-day clinical workshop for the Oregon Psychological Association in Portland; presented to the Long Island Cornell Alumni group in Garden City, NY, on bullying; and talked with The New York Times twice (gay youth accepting their sexuality; the use of gender terms among adolescent girls); the Weekly Reader on advice to youth on coming out to parents, and The National Geographic TV channel on love and relationships. His interview with Time magazine on whether gay schools are a good/bad thing is out this week.

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Awards

Elaine Wethington is among a group of collaborators at the University of Pittsburgh, Stony Brook University, Columbia University, Cornell University and Carnegie Mellon University who have been
awarded a grant from the National Heart Lung and Blood Institute, "The Validation and Field Testing of New Tools for Characterizing the Personal Environment."

**Other**

Some of Raj Raizada’s work using EEG is discussed in the New York Times magazine: [The Cyborg in Us All](#).

The third page of that article discusses this work: [NeuroPhone: Brain-Mobile Phone Interface using a Wireless EEG Headset](#).

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**November 2011**

**Publications**


**Talks**

Qi Wang gave a talk at the psychology colloquium at Stanford University, on November 9, 2011. The title of her talk was “The totalitarian ego, or not? The cultured self in autobiographical remembering.”

Gary Evans gave a keynote address, “The environment of childhood poverty” to the National Council on Family Relations, Orlando, FL.

**Other**

Gary Evans was appointed to a second, three year term on the Board of Children, Youth, and Families of the National Academy of Sciences.

**Papers presented at meetings of the Psychonomic Society and the Judgment and Decision Making Society, in Seattle.**


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**December 2011**

**Publications**


**Talks and Presentations**


**Other**

Jane Mendle was interviewed by WebMD about pubertal timing in boys.