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SPRING DEPARTMENT EVENTS

We have a host of special events to share with you this quarter, from workshops to celebrations. We hope to see you at at one or all of the following events!

- **Psychology Alumni Career Panel & Mixer**
Thursday, May 11, 6:00-8:00 pm, Career Center
- **Psychology Senior Send-Off**
Wednesday, May 17, 12:30-2:30 pm, Sun God Lawn
Check your e-mail in mid-April to register!
- **Psychology Honors Poster Session**
Friday, June 9, 11:30-1:30 pm, Dolores Huerta Rm
No registration required; please join us!

Workshops:

- **Academic Internships in Psychology**
Wednesday, April 26, 10:00-11:00 am, Mandler 3545
- **Graduate School in Clinical Psychology**
Thursday, April 27, 9:30-11:00 am, Mandler 3545
- **Honors Program Information Session**
Thursday, May 4, 10:00-10:45 am, Mandler 3545

Check the [Psychology Department website](#) for additional information, updates, and registration!

PSYCHOLOGY SENIOR SEND-OFF

Join the Psychology Department at this year's Senior Send-Off event on Wednesday, May 17th, honoring our graduating seniors' accomplishments with giveaways, cake, music, games, and surprises! Psychology majors will receive an invitation via their UCSD e-mail address to register via Eventbrite for this free celebration!



RESEARCH SPOTLIGHT

UC San Diego researchers, led by Dr. Gail Heyman (Psychology) and Dr. Sarah Creel (Cognitive Science) have demonstrated that native speakers of Mandarin Chinese are more musical, at an earlier age, than their English-speaking counterparts. This appears to be due to the fact that Mandarin is a tonal language, which conveys very different meanings for the same syllable said with differing pitch emphasis.

Dr. Diana Deutsch, also of the Psychology Department, first theorized that tonal language experience leads to enhanced pitch perception. This new study builds on that theory and appears to demonstrate an interconnectedness of cognitive mechanisms not previously thought to exist between seemingly different abilities. Since native Mandarin speakers must be sensitive to the pitch of a word in order to understand its meaning, they have more experience at an earlier age with pitch processing than those whose language is not as dependent upon pitch. This translates to an easier time understanding musical pitch, and more musical ability in general.



SPRING CLASSES

PSYC 105: Cognitive Psychology (Brady)
MWF 10-10:50 am PRICE THTRE
Upper Division Standing required

PSYC 106: Behavioral Neuroscience (Gremel)
T/Th 9:30-10:50 am (CICC 101)
Upper Division Standing required

PSYC 193: Psychology of Prejudice (Willis)
MWF 3:00-3:50 pm (CENTER 205)
Upper Division Standing required.
Contact Psychology Advising through the [Pre-Authorization Tool](#) for enrollment authorization.

THE PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

2017 PSYCHOLOGY HONORS POSTER SESSION

FRIDAY, **JUNE 9TH**, 2017, 11:30AM - 1:30 PM
STUDENT CENTER, DOLORES HUERTA - PHILLIP VERA CRUZ ROOM
open to the public; prospective honors students highly encouraged to attend

CONTACT US

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