

# **PSYCHOLOGY NEWSLETTER**

#### **BRYN MAWR DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY**



#### SNAPS FROM THIS SEMESTER'S JUNIOR BROWN BAG!

All majors take 'Junior Brown Bag' for a semester during junior year. The goal is to introduce students to faculty members' research, to provide additional opportunities for student-faculty interactions, and to build a sense of community! Students sign up to enroll by emailing Ann Ogle.

# INTRODUCING: The Psychology Partner Program

The psychology department is excited to launch "The Psychology Partner Program," a peer-to-peer partnership program designed to connect students with the goal of fostering inclusion and belonging within the psychology department. It is open to all psychology majors and minors.

Partnerships can take the form of academic or career-centered mentorships, provide students with mutual support navigating the department, or even just promote friendships! Students will be given autonomy to mold their partnerships, within the community guidelines of the program.

We sincerely hope this program helps strengthen our community, and that this initiative is one step towards making the department and the major more accessible and equitable to all! We encourage you all to join and hope the program reflects the diversity of identities and experiences students in the department bring.

#### SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP by October 20th!



### CELEBRATING: ANN OGLE

As the Psychology faculty secretary, Ann is the backbone of the department! She supports students and professors with student time sheets, sending out department emails and much, much more.



This is Ann at the 'End of Year Sale', something she started in 1998 to keep the stuff that students leave behind from just going into the dumpster. Check it out this year or even volunteer!

## STUDENT VOICES: FATMATA SESAY



Fatmata Sesay ('23) reflects on her classes and professors this semester. This is to give students and professors an idea about classes offered in the department and an insight into students' experiences in those classes!



## **PROFESSOR ABBEY WEXLER**

[PSYC B209 ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY]

I love Prof. Abbey's class so much! Every Monday and Wednesday morning, I get so excited to go to the class because her lessons are so interactive and educative. She truly brings in a positive Professor-Undergraduate relationship with her great teaching experience. Although she's a professor, she also is a friend to every student.

### **PROFESSOR JODIE BAIRD**

#### [PSYC B211 LIFESPAN DEVELOPMENT]

I love Prof. Baird's style of teaching. Her method welcomes all unique styles of learning. There's a balance between educative and interactive learning. She truly tries to connect students together through wonderful discussions and activities. Overall, the class allows me to learn interesting topics while connecting with different students.

#### **PROFESSOR LAUREL PETERSON**

#### [PSYC B284 LAB IN HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY]

I love Prof. Peterson's class because I'm surrounded by great classmates that are very nice and helpful. Although the lab is a bit complex, she sincerely tries to make it easier. When me or my classmates are in doubt, she helps that doubt go away through implementing activities that strengthen our skills. MEET YOUR DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION REPS

DEI Reps help create and carry out DEI-centered initiatives, and work to make our department inclusive, equitable and diverse.



Sarah Phillips (she/her) Major: Psychology



Emma Samstein (she/her) Major: Psychology

Our goal as the DEI Reps this year is to help make the department accessible to every student and to create a sense of community within it that allows each individual to grow and learn. As individuals and learners from diverse backgrounds ourselves, we understand how intentional steps in the right direction can effectively dismantle overt and covert systems of oppression that exist not only in academia but in our society. Therefore, with the help of everyone in the department, we hope to take the first step in changing the way things have always been to the way they should be!

# DEI RESOURCES Applying to Graduate School?

Check out these resources for underrepresented persons (BIPOC, LGBTQIA, First Gen) who are considering applying to graduate school in Psychology.

> Resources for underrepresented students, including links to resource guides published by the APA (American Psychological Association) and APAGS (American Psychological Association of Graduate Students)



UCLA Underrepresented Graduate Students in Psychology: Repository of psychology graduate school application resources (Crowdsourced by Stephanie H. Yu, M.A.)



Northwestern's Psychology Sneak Peek Program: Opportunity for students from traditionally underrepresented backgrounds considering a PhD in psych to attend a preview weekend at Northwestern



## MEET YOUR MAJOR REPS!

Major Reps are here to talk with current or interested majors/minors about coursework and research in the department and build community! Reach out to them anytime!



Tanojah Avery (she/her) Major: Psychology | Minor: Health Studies



Talia Horowitz (she/they) Major: Psychology



Annie Hawks (she/her) Major: Psychology | Minor: Neuroscience



Mahek Shah (she/her) Major: Psychology | Minor: Education Studies