

Psychology 863, Seminar in Cognitive Science Course Information—Fall 2014

BRIEF MANDATORY ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MONDAY, September 15, at 5:00 p.m. in 118 Psychology

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Course Goals and Requirements

Psy 863 is organized around the Distinguished Speakers in Cognitive Science series that is sponsored by the MSU Cognitive Science Program. The goal of this seminar is for students to use the speaker series and associated activities to help them become acquainted with some prominent examples of research currently being carried by cognitive scientists from various disciplines.

- 1) Students are required to attend the Fall 2014 Cognitive Science Distinguished Speaker series and participate in the activities associated with the talk. **Please make sure to sign the participation sheet for each of these events so that we have a record of your attendance.**

For each invited speaker, you are required to:

- Read the assigned papers for each talk and email 3 discussion questions to parris39@msu.edu at least 3 days before the discussion. Links to papers can be found here: <http://www.cogsci.msu.edu/DSS/2014-2015/>
- Participate/contribute to the preparatory discussion for each talk (discussion dates are listed below).
- Attend the graduate student lunch with the speaker at noon on the day of the talk.
- Attend the talks by the invited speakers.

Monday, October 6

- Professor Sian Beilock, University of Chicago
- Title: Academic performance under stress: At the intersection of emotion and cognitive control.
- Location & time: 118 Psychology, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- Paper discussion: Monday, September 29, 5:00 – 5:50 p.m., 118 Psychology Bldg.
- Graduate student lunch: Monday, October 6, 12 – 1 p.m., 230 Psychology

Monday, October 27

- Professor Michael Tanenhaus, University of Rochester
- Title: Real-time spoken word recognition: A data explanation approach
- Location & time: 118 Psychology, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- Paper discussion: Friday, October 17, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m., 230 Psychology Bldg.
- Graduate student lunch: Monday, October 27, 230 Psychology

Monday, November 24

- Professor Owen Flanagan, Duke University
- Title: What does the cognitive science of morality have to do with ethics?
- Location & time: 118 Psychology, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- Paper discussion: Monday, November 17, 5:00 – 5:50 p.m., 118 Psychology Bldg.
- Graduate student lunch: Monday, November 24, 230 Psychology

- 2) Students are required to attend the talks listed below in the Cognitive Science Forum. **Please make sure to sign the participation sheet for each required event so that we have a record of your attendance.**

Friday, September 12, 3:30 – 5pm, 230 Psychology

- Dr. Fey Parrill, Case Western Reserve

Friday, October 10, 3:30 – 5pm, 230 Psychology

- Dr. Adam Greenberg, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

Friday, October 24, 3:30 – 5pm, 230 Psychology

- Dr. David Rapp, Northwestern University

- 3) If you are not able to participate in one of the activities associated with the DSS activities (preparatory discussion, lunch with speaker) or cog forum talks that is scheduled outside of the Monday course time, then you can substitute for this activity attendance at a cognitive science related talk at MSU; this talk must be from a colloquia series outside your home department and must be pre-approved by myself or Alicia (the TA for the course). For the talk, you are required to submit, in email, a 1-page summary that includes the name of the colloquia series, date of the talk, speaker, title, and a brief summary of the talk that is in your own words (this should not be the abstract of the talk). **Each summary must be submitted in email to Alicia Parrish (parris39@msu.edu) not later than within one week of the talk.** You can find a list of cogsci related colloquia series at <http://www.cogsci.msu.edu/seminars.html>.

Fall 2014 Calendar:

Date	Time	Location	Activity
Sept 12	3:30pm	Psychology 230	CogForum talk with Dr. Parrill
Sept 26	-	-	Email Alicia with discussion questions for Beilock's talk
Sept 29	5pm	Psychology 118	DSS pretalk for Beilock
Oct 6	12pm	Psychology 230	Grad student lunch for DSS Beilock
Oct 6	5:30pm	Psychology 118	DSS Beilock talk
Oct 10	3:30	Psychology 230	Cog Forum with Dr. Greenberg
Oct 14	-	-	Email Alicia with discussion questions for Tanenhaus's talk
Oct 17	3:30	Psychology 230	CogForum pretalk for Tanenhaus
Oct 24	3:30	Psychology 230	CogForum talk with Dr. Rapp
Oct 27	12pm	Psychology 230	Grad student lunch for DSS Tanenhaus
Oct 27	5:30pm	Psychology 118	DSS Tanenhaus talk
Nov 14	-	-	Email Alicia with discussion questions for Flanagan's talk
Nov 17	5pm	Psychology 118	Pretalk discussion for DSS Flanagan
Nov 24	12pm	Psychology 230	Grad Student lunch for DSS Flanagan
Nov 24	5:30pm	Psychology 118	DSS Flanagan's talk