**Health Psychology PhD Program- Weekly News**

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**Important Program Updates or Announcements:**

**Request for Donations**

**Personal care items**are an area of high need at the Niner Student Pantry! You can bring **travel (or full-size) items**(e.g., tampons, razors, shampoos/conditioners, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, toilet paper, laundry detergent) **to the collection box in the main office**, and items will be delivered to the student pantry in late February/early March. Thank you for your help!

**HPGSA Speaker Series**

**Tuesday, February 11th 4-5pm:**

Dr. L-R will talk about her work on the National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative projects  
**Room:** TBD  
  
**Friday, February 21st 10-11am:**

Dr. Basinger will present on qualitative research and communication in the context of health  
**Room:**Colvard 3120

**Community Events:**

**Radical Resilience: Angela Davis Speaks on Thriving in the Face of Oppression, Feb. 12**

We have the pleasure to announce that CAPS, in conjunction with several other departments, will be hosting **Dr. Angela Davis** for a talk “Radical Resilience: Angela Davis Speaks on Thriving in the Face of Oppression” on **Wednesday, February 12th** to celebrate Black History Month. We wanted to personally invite faculty, staff, and students to attend the presentation and Q&A session happening on the third floor of the Student Union from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. The presentation is open to the public, so please feel free to forward this to anyone you think may be interested in attending. We have attached the digital advertisement below. If you are interested in any physical flyers you can also email CAPS directly and we can provide you with some copies. 

In addition to the presentation, we will be hosting a small student-focused reception for members of our student body after the event to meet with Dr. Davis in a more intimate setting. The reception will be in the Halton Reading Room located in Atkins Library from 8 pm to 9 pm. Due to size limitations we are only able to invite up to 50 students to the event. For that reason we are currently compiling a list of students interested in attending the event and will be selecting 50 students from the pool. We were hoping for you to nominate students, or encourage students to self-nominate, to participate in this event. Student nominations can be submitted in [this form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdLEU9yvXJXKytndXHBphbKflZXRU3H-EUjcoJrYHnT_1L95w/viewform?usp=sf_link) . Please feel free to email CAPS staff with any questions.

**AIDS WALK Charlotte Movie Screening**

The AIDS WALK Charlotte website will go live on Monday, January 27

We are kicking off AIDS WALK Charlotte 2020 a little differently this year. We will be screening the documentary 5B – taking us back to a defining moment in HIV/AIDS history and inviting us to walk alongside the ordinary people who rose to extraordinary circumstances. The result is an uplifting yet candid and bittersweet monument to a pivotal moment in our history and a celebration of quiet heroes’ worthy of renewed recognition.

We will have all your favorite movie snacks including popcorn and candy and an open discussion with a panel of local HIV leaders and nurses! The screening is a free and open to the public. *We just ask that you*[***RSVP***](https://bbox.blackbaudhosting.com/webforms/linkredirect?url=https%3a%2f%2frainclt.ticketleap.com%2f5b%2fdates%2fJan-26-2020_at_0200PM&srcid=18804544&srctid=1&erid=1340046425&trid=bb39b981-0eb4-440a-a5ae-c7e5d6ff9899&linkid=198740930&isbbox=1)*so we know how many people are coming as there is limited seating.*

You will be able to sign up for AIDS WALK Charlotte 2020 during the event, learn about our new website and some of its great new features! Questions? Please don’t hesitate to reach out to Nathan Smith directly at [n.smith@carolinarain.org](mailto:n.smith@carolinarain.org?subject=5B+Documentary+Question) or at 704-973-9818.

**Sunday, January 26 l 2:00 PM**

**601 E. 5th Street**

*Free parking available in the lot adjacent to the building.*

**Professional Development Opportunities**

**The Center for Deployment Psychology Summer Institute: Preparing for a Psychology Career in the Military**

Training Opportunity for Graduate Psychology Students

**15-19 June 2020; Bethesda, Maryland**

**Application deadline: Feb. 7th**

The intensive 5-day program is for 2nd, 3rd and 4th-year doctoral students in clinical or counseling psychology who anticipate or are seriously considering applying for a military internship.  
  
This course offers a unique opportunity for students to explore in-depth a military career, prior to applying for an internship. This program will strengthen trainees’ backgrounds in military behavioral health as they gain first-hand knowledge about:

* Types of clinical and assessment opportunities for military psychologists
* Deployment cycle stress, family challenges, and clinical problems experienced by military members
* Ethical dilemmas faced by providers working with military patients
* Cognitive behavioral treatments used at military clinics including a full day concentrated on assessment and crisis intervention for suicide

**For more information, visit:**

[deploymentpsych.org/the-summer-career](https://deploymentpsych.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c5e14fe85c2a5d82bf7b4c93c&id=045ef3fffb&e=967e4d2b94)

**Conference Announcements and Call for Abstracts**

**Early Career Psychologists Research & Innovation Poster Session** **APA Convention 2020**

The *Early Career Psychologists Research and Innovation Poster Sessions*at APA 2020, hosted by the Committee on Early Career Psychologists (CECP), provides a wonderful opportunity for early career psychologists (ECPs) as well as people examining the concerns of ECPs to present at APA convention. An ECP is defined as being within the first ten years post-graduation.   
Submission of this application form indicates that the first author will present this poster at APA 2020 in Washington, DC, USA if selected for the session; or that a co-author will present if the first author is ultimately unable to present. The poster session has not been assigned a day and time but will be scheduled by May 2020.

**How to Apply**

Each applicant must be an APA member. To apply, visit <https://tinyurl.com/ECPPosters-APA2020>

Submission deadline is **Monday February 3, 2020**at 11:59pm EST if you are interested in taking part. *This is an extended deadline from the standard December deadline for APA convention submissions.* Decisions will be made before April and listed first authors will be notified.

For additional information, please contact Lucia Gutierrez, PhD, Staff Liaison to CECP, Early Career and Graduate Student Affairs ([lgutierrez@apa.org](mailto:eameen@apa.org), 202-682-5132) AND Chrysalis Wright, PhD, 2020 CECP Program Chair ([chrysaliswright@gmail.com](mailto:jasminllamasphd@gmail.com)).

For more information about CECP and other early career resources, please visit the APA early career website at [www.apa.org/earlycareer](http://www.apa.org/earlycareer).

**Global Alliance for Behavioral Health and Social Justice: Coming Together for Action 2020.**

The Coming Together for Action Conference will take place October 7-10, 2020 in Charlotte, North Carolina. The conference will bring together researchers, practitioners, community members, policymakers, and students to share innovative and effective efforts to:

* Prevent behavioral health challenges;
* Promote health and well-being;
* Foster responsive community systems;
* Value wellness and healing knowledge of marginalized individuals, families, and communities
* Develop strategies for addressing social determinants of health; and
* Increase equity across communities.

Abstracts are due on March 1, 2020. For more information please visit: <https://www.bhjustice.org/coming-together-for-action-2020>

**Post docs**

**Post-doctoral Fellowship at the University of South Carolina, Columbia**

A post-doctoral fellowship is available immediately (start date is negotiable) at the College of Nursing at the University of South Carolina, Columbia. The Fellow will assist the Associate Dean in the coordination of assessment and intervention studies on exercise promotion to include:  oversee exercise assessments and data collection, help supervise research staff and students, and assist with statistical analyses.  There are opportunities to contribute to the development of exercise interventions using e-technology and artificial intelligence.  In addition, the Fellow will be mentored in developing one or more independent studies related to physical activity promotion and cancer survivorship. The fellow will be expected to contribute to manuscripts and in the submission of grant proposals, so a candidate with excellent writing skills and/or strong analytic skills is preferred.  There are excellent collaborative opportunities with researchers at the Arnold School of Public Health, Department of Exercise Science, and Psychology among others. The initial appointment will be for one year, with the potential for renewal.

Requirements:  A PhD or similar doctoral degree in psychology, exercise science, nursing, public health, or other behavioral science is required. The ideal candidate will have at least two years of hands-on experience with exercise promotion and interest in working with cancer survivors

Application materials can be found at: <http://uscjobs.sc.edu/postings/20276>

**Post-doctoral Fellow Position at the University of Houston:**

The Collaborative on Aging Research and Multicultural Assessment (CARMA) at the University of Houston, directed by Dr. Luis D. Medina, is recruiting for a **bilingual (Spanish-English) research post-doctoral fellow** to start summer 2020 for an NIH-funded project on community engagement, community-based participatory research, and cognitive aging with Hispanic/Latino communities. A neuropsychology or similar PhD is preferred, but we will consider others. Experience working with Hispanic/Latino older adults is highly desired as is a clinical science background.

The position is for 2 years with the potential for a 3rd year and is based in Houston, TX. Applications received by **January 24** will be considered for interview at INS in Denver (Feb 4-8, 2020). Other interview options will be available for those not attending INS.

The position receives dual mentorship by clinical neuropsychologists. Responsibilities include: direct interactions with research teams, agencies, community-based organizations, and community stakeholders; recruitment; data collection and analysis (qualitative & quantitative); and manuscript preparation.

Clinical experiences, including supervision of clinical neuropsychology trainees, may also be available for appropriate trainees. **Interested individuals should send a letter of interest and CV to Dr. Medina at**[**ldmedina2@uh.edu**](mailto:ldmedina2@uh.edu).

**Job Postings**

**Pain Psychologist position at Kaiser Permanente South Sacramento Department of Pain Management**

The Kaiser Permanente South Sacramento Department of Pain Management has an opening for a Pain Psychologist. Our multidisciplinary team of specialists (physicians, psychologists, physical therapists, nurses, acupuncturists, etc.) work collaboratively to treat a wide range of pain conditions. More information about the position and application information can be found by following the link below. Although the description information describes a behavioral medicine position, the role will be split between Pain Management and Adult/Family Medicine.  
  
<https://www.kaiserpermanentejobs.org/job/sacramento/behavioral-medicine-specialist-psychology-chronic-pain/641/14820122>

**Job opportunities in Hartford HealthCare**

Please see the attached for three position openings in Hartford HealthCare’s expanding Division of Health Psychology. Hartford HealthCare and the Institute of Living provide a rich and rewarding professional experience with many opportunities for growth.  Please contact [Jennifer.Ferrand@hhchealth.org](mailto:Jennifer.Ferrand@hhchealth.org)  for more information.

**Austin VA Mental Health** **Psychologist Openings**

All positions are full time. Independently licensed applicants encouraged.

1. **Mental Health Clinic (MHC) Psychologist:** The psychologist's primary duties include initial biopsychosocial assessment, treatment planning, and psychologist treatment to Veterans with a wide range of clinical diagnoses, including anxiety, mood disorders, substance use, personality disorders, and serious mental illness. The MHC Psychologist is a member of a Behavioral Health Interdisciplinary Program (BHIP) within the MHC. The MHC psychologist provides a full range of evidence-based psychological services - including group, couples, and individual psychotherapy (e.g., cognitive behavioral therapy, acceptance and commitment therapy, dialectical behavioral therapy, interpersonal therapy, and exposure therapy). The ideal candidate will have experience in generalist positions.

1. **PTSD Clinical Team (PCT) Psychologist:**The psychologist's primary duties involve initial biopsychosocial assessment, treatment planning, and psychological treatment to Veterans with a history of trauma, including those patients with military sexual trauma and co-occurring disorders, including anxiety, depression, substance use, and personality disorders. The PCT psychologist is a member of an interdisciplinary PTSD clinical team within an outpatient PTSD treatment program. The PCT psychologist provides a full range of evidence-based psychological services – including group, couples, and individual psychotherapy (e.g., prolonged exposure, cognitive processing therapy, acceptance and commitment therapy, cognitive-behavioral conjoint therapy for PTSD, and/or dialectical behavioral therapy).

1. **Primary Care-Mental Health Integration (PC-MHI) Psychologist:** The psychologist's primary duties involve initial assessment and brief psychotherapy of outpatient Veterans with a wide range of mental health problems, including PTSD, anxiety, depression, substance use, and/or comorbid medical conditions, such as diabetes mellitus, obstructive sleep apnea, and pain. The psychologist will provide diagnostic services as well as evidence-based psychotherapies (e.g., motivational interviewing, cognitive behavioral therapy including behavioral activation, interpersonal therapy, and problem-solving therapy). Ideally, candidate will have experience in PC-MHI and have familiarity with the PC-MHI model of care. We are seeking a psychologist with enthusiasm and willingness to embrace this model of care for our Veterans.

Apply via USA Jobs at the links below. Postings close on **2/7/2020**.

Internal Candidates: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/556873700>

External Candidates: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/556876200>

Interested applicants are encouraged to apply through USA Jobs (links included above). For questions regarding the above positions, interested parties may contact Dr. Holly LaPota ([holly.lapota@va.gov](mailto:holly.lapota@va.gov)) regarding the MHC position and Dr. Jana Drew ([jana.drew1@va.gov](mailto:jana.drew1@va.gov)) regarding the PCT and PC-MHI positions.

“The Austin VA Outpatient Clinic (AOPC), part of the Central Texas Veterans Health Care System, is one of the largest freestanding VA outpatient clinics in the nation, with a beautiful state-of-the-art facility that opened in 2013. Mental Health & Behavioral Medicine Service in Austin is a large yet tight-knit group of caring and collegial professionals. Our clinic is very diverse and inclusive in terms of both our staff and the Veterans we serve, across a wide range of identities; *we invite interest from members of underrepresented groups and those continually striving for greater cultural competence.*We are focused on supporting our staff to enable them to provide excellent care to Veterans. As such, we are looking for energetic, committed, and diligent providers who will enhance our team. AOPC is affiliated with the University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School and staff are eligible to apply for academic appointment. We have an APA-accredited psychology internship and vibrant practicum program, so training opportunities are plentiful.”