



Newsletter Date: March 29, 2012

Congratulations to

Zuoxin Wang who is a recipient of the university's 2012 Distinguished Research Professor Award.

Carlos Bolaños who is a recipient of the university's 2012 Developing Scholar Award.

Rick Hyson on receiving a 2012 Graduate Faculty Mentor Award.

Wally Boot on receiving a 2012 Honors Thesis Mentor Award.

Roy Baumeister who was elected President of the Society for the Study of Motivation. He will become President-Elect at the May 2012 meeting and President at the May 2013 meeting.

Bonnie Wright on receiving the 2011-2012 Gabor Award for the Division of Academic Affairs. This award recognizes outstanding efficiency and effectiveness and includes a \$1000 Savings Bond.

John Jones, a doctoral student in Cognitive Psychology (major professor: **Mike Kaschak**), who is the recipient of the Mark and Gloria Charness Fellowship in Cognitive Science. Neil and Beth Charness have generously provided the department with a gift that has been used to establish a fellowship in honor of Neil's parents. This award is given annually to an advanced graduate student who has displayed excellence in research related to the field of cognitive science.

Adam Smith, a doctoral student in Neuroscience, who is a recipient of the 2011-2012 Graduate Student Research and Creativity Award (major professor: **Zuoxin Wang**).

Kyle Conlon, who received the Jane West award (\$750) for the best social psychology publication of 2011 (major professor: **Jon Maner**).

David Purpura, a recent graduate of the Clinical Psychology program, who accepted a position as a tenure-track assistant professor in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies at Purdue University starting fall 2012. In addition, congratulations to David for receiving the 2011 Institute of Education Sciences Outstanding Predoctoral Fellow Award (major Professor: **Chris Lonigan**).

Yessenia Castro, a recent graduate of the Clinical Psychology program (major professor: **Joyce Carbonell**), who has accepted a position as a tenure-track assistant professor in the Department of Social Work at the University of Texas at Austin.

Recent Publications

Allan, N. P. & **Lonigan, C. J.** (2011). Examining the dimensionality of effortful control in preschool children and its relation to academic and socioemotional indicators. *Developmental Psychology*, 47, 905-915. Nicholas (Nik) Allan is a doctoral student in the Clinical Psychology program (major professor: **Chris Lonigan**).

Lieberwirth, C., Liu, Y., Jia, X., and **Wang, Z.X.** (in press). Social isolation impairs adult neurogenesis in the limbic system and alters behaviors in female prairie voles. *Hormones and Behavior*. Claudia is a doctoral student in the Neuroscience program (major professor: **Zuoxin Wang**).

Lieberwirth, C. & **Wang, Z.X.** (in press). The social environment and neurogenesis in the adult mammalian brain. *Frontiers in Human Neuroscience*. Claudia is a doctoral student in the Neuroscience program (major professor: **Zuoxin Wang**).

Purpura, D. J., Hume, L. E., Sims, D. M., & **Lonigan, C. J.** (2011). Emergent literacy and early numeracy: The value of including emergent literacy skills in the prediction of numeracy development. *Journal of Experimental Child Psychology*, 110, 647-658. David Purpura is a recent graduate of the Clinical Psychology program; Laura Hume and Darcey Sims are doctoral students in the Clinical Psychology program (major professor: **Chris Lonigan**).

Puranik, C. S. & **Lonigan, C. J.** (2011). From scribbles to scrabble: preschool children's developing knowledge of written language. *Reading and Writing*, 24, 567-589. Cynthia Puranik was a recent postdoctoral fellow at FCRR.

Puranik, C. S. & **Lonigan, C. J.** (2012). Early writing deficits in preschoolers with oral language difficulties. *Journal of Learning Disabilities*, 45, 179-190. Cynthia Puranik was a recent postdoctoral fellow at FCRR.

Puranik, C. S., **Lonigan, C. J.**, & Kim, Y. (2011). Contributions of emergent literacy skills to name writing, letter writing, and spelling in preschool children. *Early Childhood Research Quarterly*, 26, 465-474. Cynthia Puranik was a recent postdoctoral fellow at FCRR.

In the news

Jennifer Hames, a doctoral student in the Clinical Psychology program (major professor: **Thomas Joiner**), was interviewed by MSNBC on her first-authored publication in the *Journal of Affective Disorders* (<http://bodyodd.msnbc.msn.com/news/2012/03/13/10657767-that-weird-urge-to-jump-off-a-bridge-explained>).

Christopher Lonigan gave a presentation at the Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness Conference that was cited in *Education Week* (http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/inside-school-research/2012/03/tools_of_the_mind_shows_lacklu.html).

Anders Ericsson's research was recently cited in *Time Magazine* (Walsh, B. (2/6/12), The Upside Of Being An Introvert (And Why Extroverts Are Overrated)

(<http://www.time.com/time/magazine/article/0,9171,2105432,00.html#ixzz1pPqITrOZ>) and in *Science News* (Bower, B. (3/13/12), Pi master's storied recall – World record holder grabbed decimal tiger by the tale

(http://www.sciencenews.org/view/generic/id/339136/title/Pi_master%E2%80%99s_storied_recall).

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