VCPCP Gains Momentum!
by Mike Stutts, Ph.D., DCT

Welcome to VCPCP’s Spring 2015 newsletter.

Winter & spring at VCPCP means admissions and the internship match. In February, all six of our fourth year students matched to APA-accredited internship sites. This is the third time running that we have hit the 100% goal. Please congratulate these accomplished students if you have not done so already. The 2015 admissions process completed very recently. We were once again fortunate to have a strong pool of applicants to consider and, once again, we attracted most of our top picks. Many thanks to Dr. Robin Lewis for again coordinating this complex process, and to students and faculty for successfully implementing our plan.

Spring also has also brought the annual Plenary Session meeting with all students. This year’s meeting provided students the opportunity to discuss the inaugural annual program evaluation completed by students last week. Program leaders enjoyed this additional opportunity for dialogue and the improvements to training it may bring.

In other arenas, we are wrapping up the final details of our accreditation as a Ph.D. program (Continued on Page 2)
by APA, Dr. Barbara Winstead and ODU hosted the inaugural series of brown bag research presentations open to all students and faculty last month (next up: EVMS in the fall). We have also continued with program happy hours that were initiated last fall.

Last, but most certainly not least, spring means commencement for our graduates and bon voyage to our internship-bound fourth year students. Carol Robinson Bonner will be our lone marcher at NSU on Saturday, May 9th. To celebrate all of our program’s accomplishments and those who are moving forward, a reception will be held Friday, May 8th for all students and faculty, in the atrium of the EVMS Brickell Medical Sciences Library.

As always, I offer my sincere thanks to all VCPCP constituencies for all that you do in support of our program’s mission, and also to Tiphanie and Alex for producing this newsletter. It remains my privilege to be the leader of such a vibrant program.

Congratulations to our fourth year students for this hard-earned achievement! We wish them the best of luck as they begin their internships!

### Internship Match Outcomes 2015-2016

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### Upcoming VCPCP Events:

- **Program Happy Hour**  
  Tuesday, April 28th at 5pm  
  Cogan’s Pizza (4311 Colley Avenue)

- **End of Year Celebration**  
  Friday, May 8th at 5pm  
  EVMS Medical Library Atrium
Research across the Consortium

Many individuals who are students, graduates, or faculty within the Consortium deserve special recognition for their recent research accomplishments.

Recent Publications


Recent Presentations


Fisher, M. A., & Stutts, M. (April 2015). How Successful is your Professional Acculturation? To be presented at the Virginia Psychological Association’s Annual Spring Convention (VPA), Virginia Beach, VA.


Roberts, L. B., & Paulson, J. F. (2015, April). Biphobia in the heterosexual community: Examining the factors related to negative attitudes toward bisexuality and bisexual individuals. Poster accepted for presentation at the Virginia Psychological Association’s Annual Spring Convention (VPA), Virginia Beach, VA.


Sutton, T., Heron, K., Mason, T., & Myers, T. (2015, March). Validation of the Body Image Quality of Life Inventory for college women with subclinical eating disorders. Poster presented at Works in Progress: A Regional Interdisciplinary Conference of Feminist Scholarship, Norfolk, VA.


Awards

Dr. Cubic was chosen as one of the two psychology representatives to the Council of Faculty and Academic Societies (CFAS) of the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC).

Emily Oettinger and Keshia Williams were both awarded the EVMS Gregg Scholarship for child-focused dissertation research.

Congratulations!

Pictured: Cristina Valdivieso-Bain, Jacqueline Haywood, & Tiphanie Sutton
Recent Conferences and Trainings

Spring is here and there were a number of exciting conferences! If you missed it this year, we hope you will attend the next one.

I. Virginia Psychological Association (VPA) Spring Convention
   A. Description: This event included several presentations and student poster sessions, as well as a panel on applying to graduate school facilitated by VCPCP students, Laurin Roberts & Erin Kurtz. Below is a sample of the featured presentations:
      ▪ How Successful is your Professional Acculturation? (co-presented by Dr. Stutts)
      ▪ Exploring the Daily Lives of People with Social Anxiety Disorder
      ▪ Antisocial PD in Veterans: Mode Deactivation Therapy an Evidence Driven Therapy

II. Practicum Supervisor’s Workshop
   A. Description: The Virginia Consortium sponsored a practicum training workshop led by guest speaker, Dr. Sam Goldstein. The topic was ADHD in Adults: Understanding Trends in Light of Scientific Data.

Upcoming Conferences

I. Virginia Academy of Science (VAS) Annual Meeting
   A. Description: This annual meeting, sponsored by a different university each year, is an opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students to present research across science fields, including botany, computer science, psychology, & statistics.
   B. Location: James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA
   C. Date and Times: May 20-23rd

II. Association for Psychological Science (APS) Convention
   A. Description: This four-day convention attracts students and psychologists across the U.S. with symposia, talks & addresses, cross-cutting theme programs, and poster sessions. Below is a sample of the featured presentations:
      ▪ Law & Dis(Order): Psychological Science in the Legal System
      ▪ Why Should Psychological Science Care about Racial and Ethnic Diversity?
      ▪ The New Statistics: Using and Teaching Estimation, Meta-Analysis, and Research Integrity
   B. Location: New York Marriott Marquis in New York, NY
   C. Date and Times: May 21-24th

III. American Psychological Association (APA) Convention
   A. Description: Arguably the largest showing of psychologists each year, APA goes international; traveling to nearby Canada for the 2015 convention. With hundreds of exhibitors, presenters, and networking events, this is likely to be an event you do not want to miss.
   B. Location: Metro Toronto Convention Centre in Toronto, CA
   C. Date and Times: Aug 6-9th
Upcoming Seminars & Trainings

Here is a list of some upcoming trainings and seminars in the Hampton Roads area.

I. EVMS: Psychiatric Grand Rounds
   A. Description: The Psychiatric Grand Rounds at EVMS are an opportunity for faculty and students to highlight prevalent psychiatric conditions.
   B. Location: Hofheimer Hall Auditorium
   C. Dates and Times:
      i. Wednesday, April 29th from 12-2pm: Ethical Considerations & Boundaries in Supervision & Consultation. Presented by former APA President, Dr. Nadine Kaslow.
      ii. Wednesday, May 13th from 12-1pm
      iii. Tuesday, May 26th from 8-9am: Resident Series

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Thank You!

We would like to thank all of the faculty and students who contributed their time & efforts on Mock Internship Interview Day and Interview Days. Both events were a huge success thanks to your contributions.

*We appreciate all that you do!*

Finally, the Virginia Consortium would like to recognize the alumni below for their donations to the program:

**Dr. Noel Goldberg (2002): $100**

**Dr. Francesca Peckman (1984): $100**

*Thank you for your continued support!*

Thank you for reading this issue of the Virginia Consortium Newsletter.

*Be Well!*