

# Psychology & Neuroscience Undergraduate Newsletter

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## University Research Week

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November 15

Thanksgiving Break  
November 22-24

Last Day of Class  
December 6

Final Exams  
December 8—9  
December 11—12  
December 14—15

## FOLLOW US!



Fall 2017 University Research Week was October 9—13, 2017! We hope you had an opportunity to experience this campus-wide event to discover and engage in research.

On Friday, October 13, the Department of Psychology and Neuroscience held its annual Psychology and Neuroscience Research Lab Symposium (previously known as PsycFest), sponsored by the Psychology Club. Thank you for attending and learning more about research in our Department!

We also celebrated University Research Week by asking YOU what you love about research. Check out page 3 for some of your answers!





## Meet a Gil Intern



Meet **Jasmin Brooks**, one of our Fall 2017 interns with the [Karen M. Gil Internship Program in Psychology and Neuroscience](#).

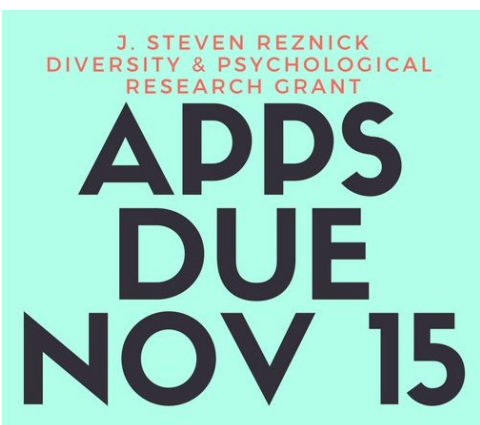
Jasmin is a senior majoring in Psychology and Sociology. In Fall 2017, she is interning with the AHB Center for Behavioral Health and Wellness, a private clinical practice in Durham, NC.

"Interning at AHB has been an incredible experience for me so far," she says. At AHB, Jasmin is able to sit in on individual, couple and family therapy sessions with licensed psychologists, score psychological evaluations with school psychologists, and engage in conversation with licensed clinicians and social workers to get a well-rounded holistic view of what it is like to work in a clinical practice. Jasmin

explains, "As a result of these various interactions, my knowledge of the field of clinical psychology has broadened tremendously."

The Gil Internship Program has been a valuable experience for Jasmin. She says, "One of the most rewarding experiences I have had here at AHB is the opportunity to sit in on therapeutic sessions. At first I was nervous, as previously I had only observed behavioral concerns during intakes of a new client; however, after a short while, I noticed the notes I was writing flowed easily. I noted therapeutic techniques used as well as my observations of the client. Through experiences such as this, the passion I have for providing therapy to clients and opening my own practice, has grown significantly. I am able to see the day-to-day behind the scenes. As a result of this experience, I now feel I have a more realistic and accurate view of what my future holds."

**Want to be a Gil Intern?** Learn more about the [application process](#) online. Questions can be directed to [Molly Corrigan](#).



## Reznick Research Grant

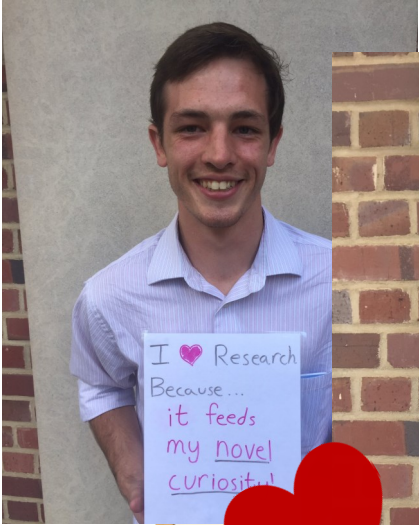
The [J. Steven Reznick Diversity and Psychological Research Grant](#) is now available to undergraduate Psychology majors! The Reznick Research Grant will support students from underrepresented backgrounds or those who are interested in conducting research with, or applicable to, populations traditionally underrepresented in research. This grant will be awarded to a single recipient in the amount of \$4,000 to use in the Spring 2018 semester. Funds may be used to offset the need for part-time work, to cover the costs of carrying out research, or to attend a professional conference.

Eligibility requires that students have Psychology declared as their current major and be enrolled in both the Fall 2017 and Spring 2018 semesters. In addition, the student must either identify as one of the following: first-generation in college, current/eligible recipient of need-based financial aid, LGBTQ, having special needs/disability status, or from an underrepresented racial or ethnic minority group, —OR— the student must be interested in conducting research with, or applicable to, populations traditionally underrepresented in research. [Applications should be completed online](#) and are due November 15.

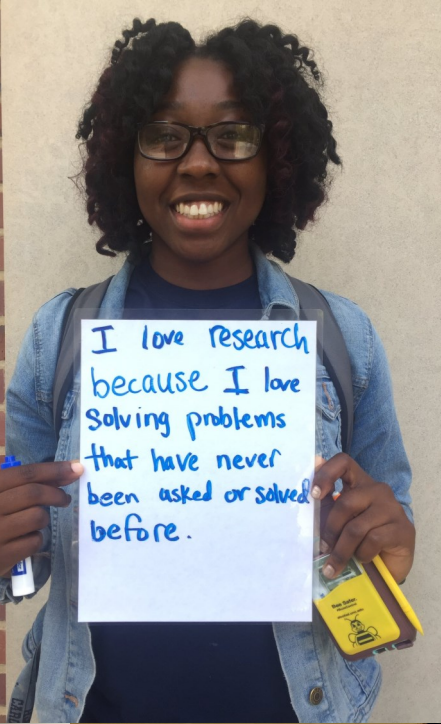
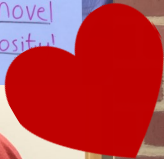




## What PSYC Majors Love About Research



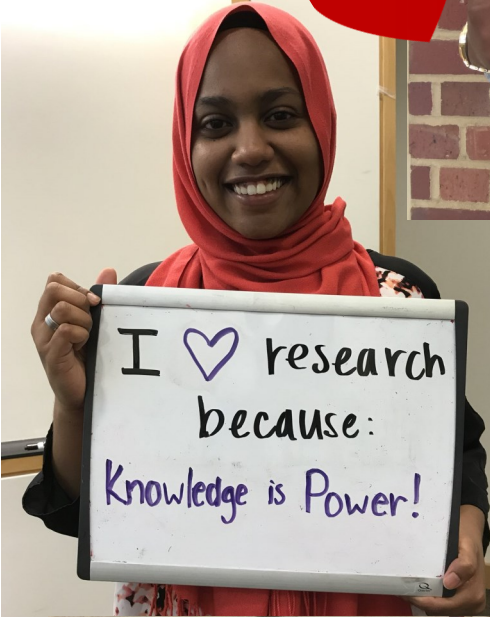
I ♥ Research  
Because...  
it feeds  
my novel  
curiosity!



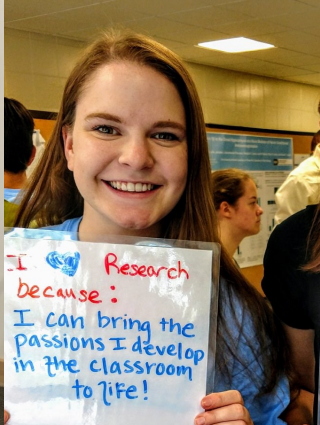
I love Research  
because I love  
Solving problems  
that have never  
been asked or solved  
before.




I ♥ RESEARCH  
because:  
I get to create  
new knowledge



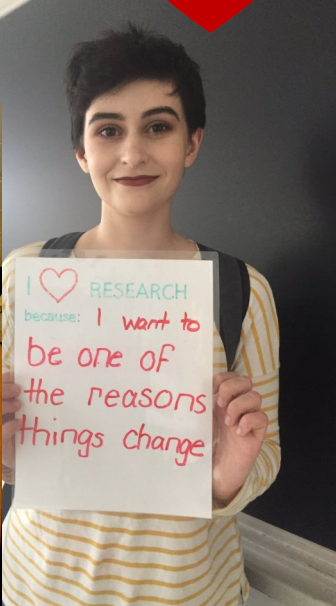
I ♥ research  
because:  
Knowledge is Power!




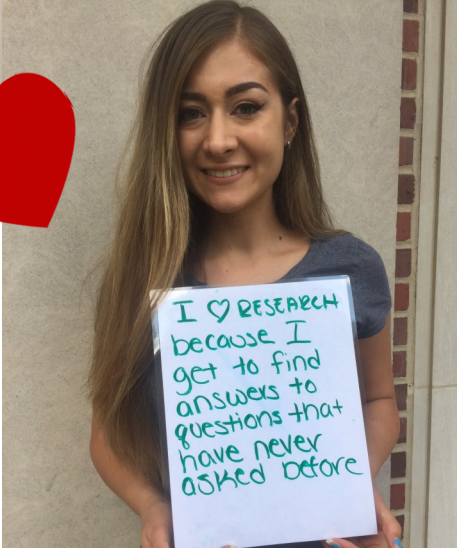
I ♥ Research  
because:  
I can bring the  
passions I develop  
in the classroom  
to life!




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because:  
it's a way to  
Explore & confirm  
my passion for  
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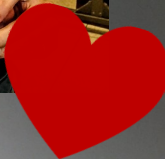

I ♥ RESEARCH  
because: I want to  
be one of  
the reasons  
things change



I ♥ RESEARCH  
because I  
get to find  
answers to  
questions that  
have never  
asked before

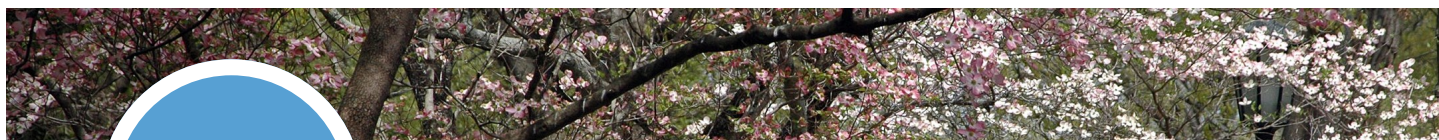


I ♥ RESEARCH  
because our  
actions stretch  
outside of the  
lab to benefit  
the community!



I ♥ RESEARCH  
BECAUSE: I like  
contributing to  
science!





## Scholarship Opportunities

The Office of Distinguished Scholarships at UNC helps UNC students and alumni put their best foot forward when applying for nationally competitive and prestigious scholarships and fellowships.

Visit the [ODS website](#) to discover the award that's right for you! You can earn valuable awards and experience remarkable opportunities by [getting tips](#) on applying.

[Deadlines are available](#) on their website which will help you keep track of upcoming deadlines for distinguished scholarships and fellowships.

Tar Heels have a knack for receiving prestigious awards. You could be next. [Learn more online.](#)

## Center for Developmental Science

Each semester, the faculty and fellows of CDS gather for a weekly consortium series organized around a theme and guiding questions. The Fall 2017 series will be held on Mondays from 2—3:15 PM at the CDS.

Check out the [fall schedule](#) online!

## Jobs & Other Opportunities

Looking for a post-baccalaureate position in psychology? Check out an [online database of active positions](#)! You can also subscribe by email to be notified of new postings. This is a great resource for new graduates!



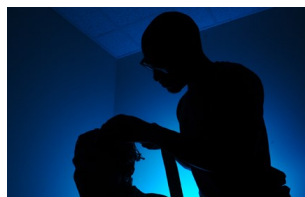
The Carolina College Advisory Corps aims to serve first-generation, low-income, rural, and minority students in high schools across the state. They hire recent UNC graduates to work in high schools and to increase college-going culture. Their [2018-19 application](#) is now open!



Undergraduate students are needed for a research study that investigates eating attitudes and behaviors. Participants who complete the study will be entered into a raffle for a \$100 Amazon gift card. The study is open to students between the ages of 18 and 24. [Learn more about how to participate online.](#)



UNC Autism Speaks is holding their annual silent auction on Sunday, November 5, 2—4 PM, at the Campus Y. There is a \$5 entrance fee and you can bid on items such as restaurant gift cards, golf rounds, and gift baskets.



The Vilardaga Lab at Duke University's Center for Addiction Science Technology is hiring a full-time Clinical Research Specialist to work on a research study evaluating the feasibility and usability of smoking cessation smartphone apps for those with serious mental illness.

Candidates must have two or more years of experience working in a research lab interacting with human subjects and a Bachelor's degree. To apply, send your resume to [roger.vilardaga@duke.edu](mailto:roger.vilardaga@duke.edu).



AIESEC is a platform for students to activate their leadership potential through volunteering and internship experiences abroad. This summer, there are opportunities with Argentina, Thailand, Romania, and Mexico. An info session is available on Wednesday, October 24th in Bingham 301 at 7:00 PM. [Fill out a form online to learn more.](#)



The Department of City and Regional Planning at UNC offers a graduate urban planning program. December 12, 2017 is the application deadline. Two webinars are available to learn more about the program. [Sign up online](#) to learn more (webinars are scheduled for Friday, October 27 at 12 noon and Friday, November 17 at 4 PM).