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Post-Commencement Info

Congratulations to the 448 students who graduated with a B.A. or B.S. in Psychology on Sunday, May 13, 2018! We were glad to celebrate your achievements with your friends and family.

Diplomas for undergraduate degree recipients are ordered by the Office of the Registrar after graduation and mailed to each graduate's home address (as listed in ConnectCarolina) in mid-July. It is the graduate's responsibility to make sure that this is where your diploma should be delivered. [Learn how to change your student address online.](#)

Diplomas sent to international addresses are shipped via regular international U.S. Postal Service, which does not include tracking information. Be aware that diplomas must pass through the destination country's Customs office, which can significantly delay delivery. Graduates with overseas home addresses may want to consider requesting expedited delivery, which includes tracking information.

To request expedited delivery of your diploma via Federal Express, the cost will be \$15 for domestic deliveries and \$30 for international deliveries. [Email the Office of the Registrar](#) to request expedited delivery.

If it has been more than four weeks since your diploma's estimated delivery date (mid-July), and you still live at the home address listed in your ConnectCarolina account, email your name, PID, and home address to the [Office of the Registrar](#) to request assistance.

Photos taken by Photo Specialties during the Department's Commencement Ceremony will be available for purchase. Photo Specialties will contact the student and family via the contact information provided at the graduation ceremony. You should receive instructions on how to purchase photos by mid-June.



Meet TWO Gil Interns!



Meet **Shelby Waldron**, one of our Spring 2018 interns with the [Karen M. Gil Internship Program in Psychology and Neuroscience](#).

Shelby is a senior Psychology and Exercise and Sport Science double major from Florida. This past semester, she worked with the Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities (CIDD). CIDD is one of the few national comprehensive centers for services, research, and training regarding individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. She interned under the guidance of Dr. Laura Hiruma and Dr. Jean Mankowski on both the pediatric and adult autism assessment clinics, the school-age team, and the hearing and development clinic.

She says, “Every day at CIDD is a little different as I work on four different bi-weekly clinics and every case is unique. Despite the dynamic nature of the job, I typically have the set role of observing the administration of cognitive, adaptive, and autism assessments, recording and sharing behavioral observations, and scoring rating scales and assessments.” A major of the cases Shelby works on involve the administration of the Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS) to screen for autism. However, since every case is different, Shelby has also learned to assess complex medical histories, the various presentations of autism in children, and the key features that must be present for the diagnosis of autism.

“This experience has been invaluable,” Shelby shares. “No class has taught me how to screen for autism in a child that is both deaf and blind or how to take into account severe hearing loss or being raised in a household that speaks a different language when testing verbal skills.” As a Gil intern, Shelby has a new appreciation for a holistic approach by working on interdisciplinary teams with professionals from fields of psychology, speech language pathology, occupational and physical therapy, audiology, and education.

Another Spring 2018 intern, **Ray Cheever**, was able to gain valuable internship experiences in the Triangle community.

Ray is a junior from Henderson, North Carolina and is a double-major in Psychology and Chemistry. Over the past semester, Ray worked at the Greenbrook TMS NeuroHealth Center in Chapel Hill. Greenbrook NeuroHealth provides TMS therapy for individuals with treatment-resistant depression and has recently expanded to include six clinics in North Carolina. Ray shadowed Greenbrook’s consultant psychiatrist Dr. Muhammad Saeed to observe intake appointments and learn about the selection criteria for receiving TMS therapy. Ray also was trained in administering TMS and was able to assist patients receiving therapy.



“I am deeply grateful for the Gil internship for helping me gain direct clinical psychology experience and to learn the exciting new treatment modality of TMS for depression,” says Ray. “Dr. Steve Buzinski and Molly Corrigan have offered invaluable mentorship in my professional development and the skills I’ve gained from them have already helped me as I search for summer research and internship opportunities. The experiences that I have gained as a Gil intern will undoubtedly help me as I seek new jobs and opportunities in the dynamic, growing field of psychology.” After Ray graduates, he plans to continue research in neuropharmacology and to apply for medical school in the hopes of becoming a psychiatrist.

Want to be a Gil Intern? Applications for Spring 2019 internships will be due this fall. Learn more about the [application process](#) online. Questions can be directed to [Molly Corrigan](#).



Environment North Carolina!

What are you planning to do with your summer? Do you want to make a difference, working to protect the environment or public health? Do you want to gain real world experience, pick up valuable skills, and make money?

Apply for a job with Environment North Carolina. You could work to stop global warming, save the bees, or protect the sea turtles!

You will have the opportunity to learn how to lead a team, develop public speaking skills, raise money, and motivate people to get involved and take action.

Positions make between \$5,200 and \$8,500 over the summer. To apply, [visit the website](#) and a director will be in contact to schedule an interview.

Ivymount School and Programs

Interested in special education, psychology, and applied behavioral analysis? Make more than a living—make an impact with Ivymount School in Rockville, Maryland.

Entry level positions are available to work with special needs students. To apply, [visit their website online](#).

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!



UNC's Institute for Trauma Recovery is seeking a highly motivated undergraduate student with an outstanding academic record and a passion for research to apply for a summer volunteer opportunity. The goal of this research is to advance the understanding of the biological processes mediating recovery after trauma. Interested individuals should send a CV and cover letter describing their background and interest in the position to jenyth.sullivan@med.unc.edu.



The University of Pittsburgh is hiring a research assistant to work in the Affective Neuroscience and Developmental Psychopathology Lab. A Bachelor's degree is required and previous work experience in a clinical setting/research project is preferred. Familiarity with SPSS and SPM in MATLAB is also preferred. To apply, send a CV and cover letter to [Melissa Nance via email](#).



Jobs & Other Opportunities

The Fellside House, part of Gould Farm, is a therapeutic community located near Boston that serves people with mental health issues. Fellside is a transitional program that provides both residential and non-residential services in Medford and the Boston area through community, meaningful work, and clinical care. They are searching for volunteers to support clients in acquiring life skills to help them transition towards independent living. Volunteers who commit to a one year assignment receive room and board (shared apartment, utilities, food, laundry, and parking), full medical insurance, and a bi-weekly stipend. To apply, send a cover letter and resume to volunteer@gouldfarm.org.



The University of Delaware is hosting a doctoral programs Visit Day on Friday, September 14, 2018. They invite research-oriented undergraduate seniors and recent graduates from underrepresented groups to apply to visit their campus and learn more about doctoral training psychological and brain sciences at UD. Travel, lodging, and meals will be provided for accepted students. To apply, an [online application](#) must be completed by June 15. Questions may be directed via email cteccc@psych.udel.edu.

