

Middle Tennessee Psychological Association

Spring Research Meeting

Middle Tennessee State University

April 22, 2006

Program

8:00-8:30 AM	Registration -- Lobby BAS*
8:30-9:15 AM	Poster Session I -- Lobby BAS
9:30-10:30 AM	<p>Keynote Address -- State Farm Lecture Hall Distinguishing Science from Pseudoscience in Mental Health Practice: Challenges, Problems, and Remedies</p> <p>Dr. Scott Lilienfeld Emory University</p>
10:30-10:45 AM	Break
10:45-11:30 AM	Oral Presentations
11:35 AM-12:20 PM	Poster Session II -- Lobby BAS
12:30-1:00 PM	Business Meeting -- Lobby BAS

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Poster Session I -- 8:30 to 9:15 AM Lobby BAS

Comparing high achieving students based on prior enrollment in a high school advanced placement course

Trina Thompson (James Rust)

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Testing the automaticity of word recognition using low frequency words

Erin Gowan (Stuart Bernstein)

Middle Tennessee State University

Validating the developmental assessment of young children

Alicia Lankford (James Rust)

Middle Tennessee State University

Levels of physiological arousal caused by colors

Amy Wright and Katinna Oskian (William Langston)

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The relationship between pets and stress in a non-college population

Brittany Bunch and Julie Harris (William Langston)

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Parental behaviors and gender: Moderators of the effects of divorce on identity?

Marsha Wallace and Dennis Papini (Dennis Papini)

Middle Tennessee State University

The relationship between students' effort and expected grades

Mary Carroll Sneed and Michael Brownlee (William Langston)

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Scared straight? Evaluation apprehension and personality effects on a coordination task

Faith Cheyne, Jeremy Johnson, Luke Paschall, and Amy Thamert (John Pennington)

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Time's up! Interactive effects of audience and distraction on maze completion

Jeanne Anne Fowler, Elizabeth Hendricks, Michael Laneville, and Amanda McClure (John Pennington)

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Relation of body image satisfaction to physical fitness levels in young children

Jamie Thorup, Laura Jackson, Stephanie Drake, Chelsea Doyle, Laura Hopper, and Katy Fuqua (Tom Brinthaupt)

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The correlation between pet attitude and perceived stress among college students

Megan Turner, Lindsey Crim, and Amanda Kirby (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

Mood matters: Induced mood and person perception

Courtney Ledford, Brandon Graves, and Javon Simmons (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

Gestures and memory retrieval

Jennifer Jelliff and Marcia Mullins (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

Interrupting mindless refusal

Daniel Fly and Christopher Harris (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

Can the tarot accurately predict the future?

Kevin Pedigo (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

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Oral Presentations -- 10:45 to 11:30 AM

Session 1: BAS S126

10:45 The effects of equine assisted therapy on clients' motivation for drug/alcohol abuse therapy

Kelly Allen (William Langston)
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11:00 Measuring willingness to help using the lost letter technique

Victoria Gabbard, Stephanie Frey, and Mitch Rock (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

11:15 Risky business: Attitudes toward cohabitation and divorce risk factors of college students

Michelle Smith, Jayna Dotson, and Jessica DeVois (Kim Ujcich-Ward)
Middle Tennessee State University

Session 2: BAS S128

10:45 Seeing is believing: The effect of an event on beliefs

Ashley Briggs and Cathy Hudson (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

11:00 What influences body satisfaction in women? The effects of media exposure and personality

Keisha Bell and April Richardson (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

Session 3: BAS S260

10:45 How college students cope with life stress

Deidre Gastenveld, Stephanie Terrell, and Joshua Willhite (Jinni Leigh Blalack)
Union University

11:00 Pet attitudes and college stress

Kristina Farmer and Anna Hodges (William Langston)
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Poster Session II -- 11:35 AM to 12:20 PM Lobby BAS

An exploration of the relationship between grade inflation and source of funding for MTSU students

Justin Higgs, Erika Thomas, and Melissa Lynn (William Langston)
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The benefits of pet therapy on the well-being of the elderly

Ashley Collins, Megan Chambers, and Conethia Turner (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

Cell phone vs. calculator performance

John Paul Paslay and Jennifer Young (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

Is the grass really greener: The Stroop Effect of color connotation

Prasant Akunuri, Leena Bhakta, and Christy Manzella (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

Do different majors perceive gender pronouns differently?

Heather Watts, Ashley Dudenbostel, and Tyler Beard (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

Perception of affordances with changes in body shape

Jessica DeVois and Jayna Dotson (William Langston)
Middle Tennessee State University

Self-efficacy as it relates to specific modeling

Corinna Schmidt (Charles Grah)
Austin Peay State University

Assessment and reconsideration of the armed forces retirement home survey

Kimberly Grube and Melissa Long (Stephen Truhon)
Austin Peay State University

Racism: America's worst problem

Jessica Houchins (John Bruni)
Western Kentucky University

Faculty ratings of students: A preliminary study

RaShae Jennings, Ron Brassel, Sarah Sparks, Brynn Neagle, Stacey Edwards (John Bruni)
Western Kentucky University

Inattentional blindness and comprehension

Kris Childers (John Bruni)
Western Kentucky University

Hand-eye coordination performance: Effects of an audience and distraction

Laura Infantino, Lindsay Skipper, and Sheila Umayan (John Pennington)
Middle Tennessee State University

Social facilitation: Does evaluation apprehension equal distraction?

James Bailey, Justin Loney, and Adrienne Maloney (John Pennington)
Middle Tennessee State University

Effects of a pedometer program on individual and class physical activity

Chrysalis Wright, Jamie Thorup, Laura Hopper, and Laura Jackson (Tom Brinthaup)
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Young children's nutrition knowledge in relation to their physical fitness levels

Renata Alexandre and Katy Fuqua (Tom Brinthaup)
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